CONTRACTOR

University of Connecticut
Connecticut Transportation Institute
Box U-37, Storrs, CT 06269

STATE AGENCY

CT Department of Transportation, 2800 Berlin Trpk., Newington, CT 06111-7546

CONTRACT PERIOD

11/16/03 to 11/15/05

CANCELLATION CLAUSE

This agreement shall remain in full force and effect for the entire term of the contract period stated above unless cancelled by the State AGENCY. As giving the CONTRACTOR written notice of such intention (required days notice specified at right)

Complete Description of Service

Conduct a research study for NETC Project No. 03-7 entitled, "Basalt Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composites."

(See attached Proposal.)

Cost and Schedule of Payments

Maximum payment not to exceed $65,791 for contract period. Payment shall be in accordance with the provisions of Sections 2.(C), 3.(B), 3.(C) and 3.(D).

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individual entering into a Personal Service Agreement with the State of Connecticut is contracting under a "work-for-hire" arrangement. As such, the individual is an independent contractor, and does not satisfy the characteristics of an employee under the common law rules for determining the employer/employee relationship of Internal Revenue Code section 3121(d). Individuals performing services as independent contractors are not employees of the State of Connecticut and are responsible themselves for payment of all State and local income taxes, federal income taxes and Federal Insurance Contribution Act (FICA) taxes.

Acceptances and Approvals

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Statutory Authority: ConnDOT 13b-4 and 13b-23
EXECUTIVE ORDERS

This contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Three of Governor Thomas J. Meskill promulgated June 16, 1971, and, as such, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended by the State Labor Commissioner for violation of or noncompliance with said Executive Order No. Three, or any state or federal law concerning nondiscrimination, notwithstanding that the Labor Commissioner is not a party to this contract. The parties to this contract, as part of the consideration hereof, agree that said Executive Order No. Three is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof. The parties agree to abide by said Executive Order and agree that the State Labor Commissioner shall have continuing jurisdiction in respect to contract performance in regard to noncompliance, until the contract is completed or terminated prior to completion. The contractor agrees, as part consideration hereof, that this contract is subject to the Guidelines and Rules issued by the State Labor Commissioner to implement Executive Order No. Three, and that he will not discriminate in his employment practices or policies, will file all reports as required, and will fully cooperate with the State of Connecticut and the State Labor Commissioner. This contract is also subject to provisions of Executive Order No. Seventeen of Governor Thomas J. Meskill promulgated February 15, 1973, and, as such, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended by the contracting agency or the State Labor Commissioner for violation of or noncompliance with said Executive Order No. Seventeen, notwithstanding that the Labor Commissioner may not be a party to this contract. The parties to this contract, as part of the consideration hereof, agree that Executive Order No. Seventeen is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof. The parties agree to abide by said Executive Order and agree that the State Labor Commissioner shall have powers and perform continuing jurisdiction in respect to contract performance in regard to listing all employment openings with the Connecticut State Employment Service.

I. NON-DISCRIMINATION

(a) For the purposes of this section, “minority business enterprise” means any small contractor or supplier of materials fifty-one per cent or more of the capital stock, if any, or assets of which is owned by a person or persons. (1) who are active in the daily affairs of the enterprise; (2) who have the power to direct the management and policies of the enterprise; and (3) who are members of a minority, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of Conn. Gen. Stat. § 32-8d, and “good faith” means that degree of diligence which a reasonable person would exercise in the performance of legal duties and obligations. “Good faith efforts” shall include, but not be limited to, those reasonable initial efforts necessary to comply with statutory or regulatory requirements and additional or substituted efforts when it is determined that such initial efforts will not be sufficient to comply with such requirements.

For purposes of this section, “Commission” means the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities. For purposes of this section, “Public works contract” means any agreement between any individual, firm or corporation and the state or any political subdivision of the state other than a municipality for construction, rehabilitation, conversion, extension, demolition or repair of a public building, highway or other changes or improvements in real property, or which is financed in whole or in part by the state, including but not limited to, matching expenditures, grants, loans, insurance or guarantees. (b) The Contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the contract such Contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, mental retardation or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the State of Connecticut. The Contractor further agrees to take affirmative action to assure that applicants with job related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, mental retardation or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by the Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved (c) The Contractor agrees, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, to state that it is an “affirmative action equal opportunity employer” in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commission. (d) The Contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or has a contract or understanding and each vendor with which the Contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission, advising the labor union or worker’s representative of the Contractor’s commitments under this section and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment. (e) The Contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this section and Conn. Gen. Stat. § 46a-66 and46a-68d and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said Commission pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 46a-66, 46a-68 and 46a-68d; (f) The Contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the Contractor as relative to the provisions of this section and section 46a-56. If the Contractor is a public works contractor, the Contractor agrees and warrants that he will make good faith efforts to employ minority business enterprises as subcontractors and suppliers of materials on such public works projects.

(d) Determination of the Contractor’s good faith efforts shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following factors: The Contractor’s employment and subcontracting policies, patterns and practices; affirmative advertising, recruitment and training; technical assistance activities and such other reasonable activities or efforts as the Commission may prescribe that are designed to ensure the participation of minority business enterprises in public works projects. (e) The Contractor shall develop and maintain adequate documentation, in a manner prescribed by the Commission, of its good faith efforts.

(f) The Contractor shall include the provisions of subsection (c) of this Section in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the State and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the Commission. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions. (g) Each subcontractor or vendor shall be treated without regard to group or race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, mental retardation or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such subcontractor or vendor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the State of Connecticut. The subcontractor or vendor further agrees to take affirmative action to assure that applications with job related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, mental retardation or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by the Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved. The Contractor shall provide to each labor union or representative of workers with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission, advising the labor union or worker’s representative of the Contractor’s commitments under this section and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment; the Contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this section and each regulation or relevant order issued by said Commission pursuant to section 46a-56 of the general statutes; the contractor agrees to provide the Commission on human rights and opportunities with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the contractor as relative to the provisions of this section and section 46a-56 of the general statutes.

(h) The contractor shall include the provisions of the foregoing paragraph in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the state and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the commission. The contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions. Provided, if such contractor becomes involved in, or threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the commission, the contractor may request the state of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the state and the state may so enter.

INSURANCE

The contractor agrees that while performing services specified in this agreement, he shall carry sufficient insurance (liability and / or other) as applicable according to the nature of the service to be performed and as to "save harmless" the state of Connecticut from any injuries to any person of whatsoever. If requested, certificates of insurance shall be filed with the contracting state agency prior to the performance of services.

STATE LIABILITY

The State of Connecticut shall assume no liability for payment for services under the terms of this agreement until the contractor is notified that this agreement has been accepted by the contracting agency and, if applicable, approved by the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) or the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) and by the Attorney General of the State of Connecticut.
NETC Agreement No. 6.06-08(03)
Research Agreement for NETC Project No. 03-7,
"Basalt Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composites"

THIS AGREEMENT, concluded at Newington, Connecticut, by and between the State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation, James F. Byrnes, Jr., Commissioner, acting herein by James M. Sime, Manager of Research, Bureau of Engineering and Highway Operations, duly authorized, hereinafter referred to as the "New England Transportation Consortium" or "NETC," and the University of Connecticut, acting herein by hereunto duly authorized, hereinafter referred to as the University.

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, the New England Transportation Consortium (NETC) is a joint undertaking through which the transportation agencies of the six (6) New England states pool their professional, academic and financial resources to focus on the research, development and implementation of improved methods for dealing with common problems associated with transportation systems; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation (ConnDOT), has been authorized as the lead agency for the NETC for the purposes of entering into and administering this Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of ConnDOT is authorized to undertake the foregoing activities under Sections 13b-4 and 13b-23 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as revised.

NOW, THEREFORE, KNOW YE THAT:
1. **THE UNIVERSITY AGREES TO:**

(A) Perform the study, delineated in the attached Proposal and Work Plan, hereinafter called the “Proposal.”

(B) Provide NETC with seven (7) copies of quarterly progress reports which are to be received no later than three (3) working days after the end of each calendar year quarter.

(C) Provide NETC with seven (7) copies of draft interim reports on specified tasks for review by NETC and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Within ninety (90) calendar days after acceptance of the interim report(s) by NETC, subject to action on review commentary, one hundred and twenty (120) copies of the interim report(s) shall be furnished to NETC. A set of reproducibles, as well as an electronic ADOBE™ Portable Document Format (PDF) document, used in the preparation of the interim report(s), will be provided to NETC within thirty (30) calendar days after the interim report(s) is(are) delivered to NETC.

(D) At the conclusion of the study, provide NETC with seven (7) copies of a draft of the final report, for review by NETC and FHWA. Within ninety (90) calendar days after acceptance of the draft final report by NETC, subject to action on review commentary, one hundred and twenty (120) copies of the final report shall be furnished to NETC. A set of reproducibles, as well as an electronic ADOBE™ Portable Document Format (PDF) document, used in the preparation of the final report, will be provided to NETC within thirty (30) calendar days after the final report is delivered to NETC.

(E) Permit NETC and the FHWA to review, during normal business hours, all work performed under the terms of this Agreement at any stage of the work.

(F) Attend conferences at locations designated by NETC for consultation and discussion upon request of NETC.

(G) Submit properly executed vouchers on ConnDOT invoices (Service Transfer Invoice) for payment for a billing period not to exceed a calendar quarter.
The invoice shall indicate the total costs incurred for the billing period in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.(C)(1) herein. These vouchers shall be submitted, no later than forty-five (45) calendar days after the end of each billing period, to:

NETC Coordinator
Transportation Institute
U-37-TI
University of Connecticut
Storrs, CT  06269-3037.

(H) Not sublet any portion of the work required for the completion of this Agreement without the prior written approval of NETC. The form of the Subcontractor's Agreement shall be as developed by the University and be subject to approval by NETC.

(I) Maintain an accounting system that is adequate to segregate and accumulate reasonable, allocable and allowable costs and maintain accounts and records in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied.


(K) Permit the authorized representatives of NETC, the United States Department of Transportation and the Comptroller General of the United States to perform an annual inspection and audit of all data and records of the University relating to its performance under this Agreement.

(L) In the event that this Agreement is terminated under the provisions of Section 3.(E), the University shall permit the authorized representatives of NETC, the United States Department of Transportation, and the Comptroller General of the United States to inspect and audit all data and records of the University relating to its performance under this Agreement until the expiration of three (3) years after termination of this project under this Agreement.
The University further agrees to include in all its subcontracts hereunder a provision to the effect that the Subcontractor agrees that NETC, the United States Department of Transportation and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after termination of the project under the subcontract, have access to and the right to examine any directly pertinent books, documents, papers, and records of such Subcontractor, involving transactions related to the subcontract. The term "subcontract" as used in this clause excludes work not exceeding $25,000.

The periods of access and examination described above, for records which relate to (1) appeals for disputes, (2) litigation of the settlement of claims arising out of the performance of this Agreement, or (3) costs and expenses of this Agreement as to which exception have been taken by NETC, the Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall continue until such appeals, litigation, claims, or exceptions have been disposed of.

(M) Preserve all of its records and accounts concerning the implementation of this Agreement including, but not limited to, any records, books, or other documents relative to charges, including charges for Extra Work, alleged breaches of Agreement, settlement of claims, or any other matter involving the University's or Subcontractor's demand for compensation by NETC for a period of not less than three (3) years from the date of the termination of this project under this Agreement. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration on the three (3) year period, the records shall be retained until all litigations, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.

(N) In the event that a transfer of funds between budget categories, contained in this Agreement, is required, the University may make cumulative transfers among direct cost categories of up to ten percent (10%) of the total approved budget, without approval of NETC. Larger changes require prior approval of NETC. In no case, however, will NETC be responsible for expenses in excess of the approved total amount.
2. **ConnDOT, ON BEHALF OF NETC, AGREES TO:**

(A) Furnish the University copies of any data it may have in its possession such as, but not limited to, plans, maps, reports, aerial photos, data, publications, organizational arrangements, directives, computer tapes, etc., which the University may deem of value for use and analysis.

(B) Arrange and hold conferences upon reasonable notice as may be necessary to the University's activities covered by this Agreement.

(C) Pay the University, in accordance with the approved Proposal, for all work authorized by NETC and performed in accordance with the terms specified herein. The University may request partial payments for work performed. These requests for payment may be submitted for a billing period not to exceed a calendar quarter and shall be made on voucher forms supplied by ConnDOT on behalf of NETC. Partial payment will be made by ConnDOT, on behalf of NETC, on the following basis:

1. Partial payments will be equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the University’s costs incurred for each billing period, in conformance with the Budget contained in the Proposal, until the cumulative total amount invoiced equals 95% of the total of the Agreement value. If an invoice is submitted which results in the cumulative total amount invoiced exceeding 95% of the total Agreement value, ConnDOT shall withhold payment of that invoice and any further invoices, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.(C)(3).

2. ConnDOT, on behalf of NETC, agrees to pay the University an amount not to exceed the total amount of the Budget contained in the Proposal, for the contract period, established in accordance with the provisions of Sections 1.(A) and 3.(A).

3. Final payment will be processed following completion of all services called for in the Agreement, as well as receipt of all
project deliverables. The final payment to the University shall include the amount invoiced for the final billing period plus any amount withheld on previous billings, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.(C)(1).

3. **NETC AND THE UNIVERSITY FURTHER MUTUALLY AGREE TO:**

   (A) The term of this Agreement shall be from November 16, 2003, to November 15, 2005.

   (B) Payments to the University for work specified shall be based upon the following dated and signed certification: "The undersigned hereby certifies that payment of the sum claimed under the cited Agreement is proper and due and that information on the fiscal report is correct and such detailed supporting information is on file, available for certification and/or audit purposes, and that all services called for by the Agreement to the date of this billing, ________________, have been met."

       Date

       ________________    ______________
       Director or Appropriate Title

   (C) Payrolls shall be supported by time and attendance or equivalent records for individual employees. Salaries and wages of employees chargeable to more than one grant program or other cost objective will be supported by appropriate time distribution records. The method used shall conform with O.M.B. Circular A-21, "Cost Principles for Educational Institutions," and O.M.B. Circular A-110, "Grants and Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals and Other Nonprofit Organizations."

   (D) Specific Items Costs:

       (1) Authorized reproduction and printing (including drafts of reports), will be paid for at cost as indicated by vouchers. All costs in connection
with obtaining data such as, but not limited to, plans, maps, reports, aerial photos, traffic data, publications, computer tapes, etc., will be paid for at cost.

(2) Costs for all travel and subsistence between the University’s offices, meetings as well as other trips necessary in connection with the study, will be reimbursed in accordance with the University’s approved Travel Regulations and rates.

(3) Any and all costs and expenses for work in connection with and pertinent to this Agreement as approved by NETC, will be paid for at cost.

(4) Mainframe computer charges will be based on actual machine time, whether for running programs or de-bugging new programs, and will include the cost of operators and key punchers and supervisors. Charges for outside and University computers will be reimbursed at cost. Salaries for programmers will be reimbursed as other direct salaries.

(5) For outside consulting services, required in and provided for in the project proposal, direct reimbursement will be paid the University by NETC. The Agreement between the University and the Consultant governing the Consultant services shall be approved by NETC prior to execution.

(6) To the certified payroll may be added a percentage to cover fringe payroll costs for: F.I.C.A., Health Benefits, Retirement, Longevity, Vacation, Holiday, Sick Leave, etc. Reimbursement for fringe benefits and indirect costs will be based on the rates in effect at the time expenses are incurred. The base against which each rate is applied will be that specified in the University’s current Indirect Cost Agreement.

(7) All equipment purchased with project funds, as listed below, shall remain the property of NETC upon completion or termination of the study:

N/A.

All equipment not listed shall remain the property of the University upon completion or termination of the study.

(E) Termination of Work:
Either party may terminate a project Agreement upon sixty (60) days written notice to the other party. The University will immediately act to minimize project costs upon issuing or receiving such notice, and will submit to NETC a report describing all work completed to date. NETC will reimburse the University a percentage of the total project cost that is equal to the percentage of work completed. Upon receipt of written notification from either party that this Agreement is to be terminated, the University shall immediately cease operations on work stipulated in this Agreement and assemble all material that has been prepared, developed, furnished or obtained under the terms of this Agreement, that may be in its possession or custody and shall transmit the same to NETC on or before the sixtieth (60th) day following the receipt of the written notice of termination. Said material shall include, but not be limited to, documents, plans, computations, drawings, notes, records and correspondence.

(F) Time Extensions:

NETC may extend the completion dates beyond the period specified when the work has been delayed for reasons beyond the control of the University. The University may present to NETC, in writing, requests for extension of allotted time for completion of work. NETC will evaluate such requests and if NETC determines such requests are based on valid grounds, shall grant such extension of time for completion of the work as NETC deems warranted. All requests by the University for extension of time must be made ninety (90) days prior to the scheduled expiration date.

The University further agrees that no charges or claim for damages shall be made by it for any delays or hindrances from any cause whatsoever during the progress of any portion of the services specified in this Agreement. Such delays or hindrances, if any, shall be compensated for by an extension of time for such reasonable period as NETC may determine, it being understood, however, that the permitting of the University to proceed to complete any services or any part of them after the date of completion or after the date to
which time of completion may have been extended, shall in no way operate as a waiver on the part of NETC of any of its rights herein.

(G) The title to all products of research generated under this Agreement shall reside with the University. However, the University grants to NETC member departments, the United States Government, and the general public, a non-exclusive, irrevocable, royalty-free, worldwide license in such work products to use, reproduce and prepare derivative works. The University may use any of the data, plans and reports completed under the NETC program for whatever purpose and may distribute products in any way. However, the following text must appear on the inside front of any reports or publications: “This report was prepared by the University of Connecticut for six New England states (Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont), in cooperation with the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration. The opinions, findings and conclusions expressed in the publication are those of the author(s) and not necessarily those of the six New England States or the Federal Highway Administration. This publication is based upon publicly supported research and is copyrighted. It may be reproduced in part or in full, but it is requested that there be customary crediting of the source.”

(H) Publication Provisions:

(1) The University shall be free to copyright material developed under this Agreement with the provision that NETC and FHWA reserve a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use the work for government purposes, as specified in Section 3.(G).

(2) No reports, articles, papers or publications may be published by the University without the written authority of NETC except as provided for in the following items:

(a) All reports, articles, papers or publications shall contain the disclaimer: “This report [article, paper or publication], prepared in cooperation with the New England Transportation
Consortium, does not constitute a standard, specification or regulation. The contents of this report [article, paper or publication] reflect the views of the author(s) who is(are) responsible for the facts and the accuracy of the data presented herein. The contents do not necessarily reflect the views of the New England Transportation Consortium or the Federal Highway Administration.”

(b) It is anticipated that, in addition to interim and final reports that may be specified in this project Agreement, the University may wish to publish papers or articles based, in whole or in part, on information developed under this project Agreement. The University shall have the right to so publish provided the manuscript is submitted to NETC for concurrence. NETC will have forty-five (45) calendar days to review the manuscript. If no response is provided by NETC at the end of the specified period, the University may proceed with publication. In the event of nonconcurrence by NETC, the University may publish the manuscript provided the following statement is included: “The New England Transportation Consortium and the Federal Highway Administration do not concur with the findings and conclusions of the manuscript.”

(I) Federal Requirements:
The University shall comply with the Regulations of the United States Department of Transportation (Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21), issued in implementation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4, and Appendix CR attached hereto, both of which are hereby made a part of this Agreement.

(J) Patent Rights:
The terms "Invention" or "Discovery," as used herein mean any invention or discovery of the University conceived or first actually reduced to practice in the course of or under this Agreement, and includes any art, method, process,
machine or manufacture, design or composition thereof, or any variety of
plant, which is or may be patentable under the Patent Laws of the United
States of America or any foreign country.

23 CFR 420.121(j) of the "State Planning and Research Program
Clauses," are herein by reference made part of this Agreement.

The quarterly report required in Section 1.(B) of this Agreement shall
include disclosure of potentially patentable inventions or discoveries first
conceived or reduced to practice since the prior report. The University shall
have title to such inventions or discoveries. The University shall have the
right to file patent applications on such inventions and discoveries. The
University shall give written notice of its intention to file a patent
application with respect to any such discovery or invention within sixty (60)
days after disclosure to NETC. If the University becomes the owner of any
patent with respect to any invention or discovery covered by this paragraph,
it shall grant to NETC, its members and the Federal Government a paid-up,
royalty-free, nonexclusive, irrevocable license, with the right to sublicense
to practice or have practiced for or on the behalf of governmental agencies,
either Federal, State, or municipal agencies including counties and townships,
or quasi-governmental agencies, the patented invention or discovery. Any
royalties from sales in the private sector or outside the United States shall
be assigned to the University. With respect to inventions or discoveries
covered by this paragraph which are not patented or patentable, such
inventions or discoveries shall be jointly owned with each party having the
unrestricted right to practice or have practiced the same on its behalf.

(K) 37 CFR, Part 401, "Rights To Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and
Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative
Agreements," is herein by reference made part of this Agreement.

(L) NETC assumes no liability for payment under the terms of a specific project
Agreement until such Agreement has been approved and signed by both parties.

(M) Funding:
The University shall fund all work conducted under this Agreement in the first instance and bill NETC for reimbursement. In no case will NETC be liable for reimbursement of project costs in excess of the amount specified in the project Agreement.

(N) Schedule A is attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement hereof. To the extent permitted by law, NETC and each of the state universities which belong to NETC shall, as part consideration for the promises of the State, fully comply with each of the terms and conditions set forth within Schedule A. It is understood and agreed among the parties that nothing within this subparagraph of this Agreement may be construed as a waiver of or limitation upon the sovereign immunity, if any, of any of the state universities which belong to the NETC or the NETC membership itself.

(O) It is mutually understood and agreed by the parties hereto that any official notice from one such party to the other such party (or parties), in order for such notice to be binding thereon, shall:

(a.) be in writing addressed to:

(i) when ConnDOT is to receive such notice -
   Mr. James M. Sime
   Manager of Research
   Connecticut Department of Transportation
   280 West Street
   Rocky Hill, CT 06067; or,

(ii) when the University is to receive such notice -
   (1) For contractual matters:
   Dr. Antje Harnisch
   Coordinator, Contract Services
   University of Connecticut
   Office for Sponsored Programs
   438 Whitney Road Extension
   Unit 1133
   Storrs, CT 06269-1133, or,
(2) For fiscal matters:
Ms. Joanne Zanella-Litke
Associate Director, Office for Sponsored Programs
University of Connecticut
Office for Sponsored Programs
438 Whitney Road Extension
Unit 1133
Storrs, CT 06269-1133, or,

(b.) be delivered in person or be mailed United States Postal Service - "Certified Mail" to the address recited herein as being the address of the party(ies) to receive such notice; and,

(c.) contain complete and accurate information in sufficient detail to properly and adequately identify and describe the subject matter thereof.

The term "official notice" as used herein, shall be construed to include, but not be limited to, any request, demand, authorization, direction, waiver, and/or consent of the party(ies) as well as any document(s) provided, permitted, or required for the making or ratification of any change, revision, addition to or deletion from the document, contract, or agreement in which this "official notice" specification is contained.

Further, it is understood and agreed that nothing hereinabove contained shall preclude the parties hereto from subsequently agreeing, in writing, to designate alternate persons (by name, title, and affiliation) to which such notice(s) is (are) to be addressed; alternate means of conveying such notice(s) to the particular party(ies); and/or alternate locations to which the delivery of such notice(s) is (are) to be made, provided such subsequent agreement(s) is (are) concluded pursuant to the adherence to this specification.

(P) Any standards (i.e., test methods, specifications, guidelines, suggested practices, recommended procedures, etc.) emanating from the research project
shall be forwarded to the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO) for consideration and possible adoption.
During the performance of this Agreement, the Second Party, for itself, its assignees and successors in interest agrees as follows:

(1) Compliance with Regulations: The Second Party shall comply with the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the United States Department of Transportation, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement.

(2) Nondiscrimination: The Second Party, with regard to the work performed by it during the Agreement, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The Second Party shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the Agreement covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.

(3) Solicitations for Subcontractors, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment: In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the Second Party for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the Second Party of the Second Party’s obligations under this Agreement and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.

(4) Information and Reports: The Second Party shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Connecticut Department of Transportation or the appropriate Federal Agency directly involved therewith, to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations or directives. Where any information required of a Second Party is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, the Second Party shall so certify to the Connecticut Department of Transportation, or the appropriate Federal Agency directly involved therewith, if appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

(5) Sanctions for Noncompliance: In the event of the Second Party’s noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this Agreement, the Connecticut Department of Transportation shall impose such sanctions as it or the appropriate Federal Agency directly involved therewith, may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:

(a) withholding of payments to the Second Party under the Agreement until the Second Party complies, and/or

(b) cancellation, termination or suspension of the Agreement, in whole or in part.

(6) Incorporation of Provisions: The Second Party shall include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (6) in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto. The Second Party shall take such action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the Connecticut Department of Transportation or the appropriate Federal Agency directly involved therewith, may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for non-compliance: Provided, however, that, in the event a Second Party becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the Second Party may request the Connecticut Department of Transportation to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the State of Connecticut, and in addition, the Second Party may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.
SCHEDULE A
NETC AND THE UNIVERSITY MUTUALLY AGREE TO:

(A) The University hereby acknowledges and agrees to comply with the Connecticut Required Contract/Agreement Provisions entitled, "Specific Equal Employment Opportunity Responsibilities," dated March 6, 1998, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

(B) The University hereby acknowledges and agrees to comply with the policies enumerated in "Connecticut Department of Transportation Policy Statement No. ADMIN. - 10 Subject: Code of Ethics Policy," dated March 25, 1999, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

The University shall comply with the provisions contained in Section 1-86e of the Connecticut General Statutes, which provides as follows:

a. No person hired by the State as a contractor or independent contractor shall:

1. Use the authority provided to the person under the contract, or any confidential information acquired in the performance of the contract, to obtain financial gain for the person, and employee of the person or a member of the immediate family of any such person or employee;

2. Accept another State contract which would impair the independent judgment of the person in the performance of the existing contract; or,

3. Accept anything of value based on an understanding that the actions of the person on behalf of the State would be influenced.

b. No person shall give anything of value to a person hired by the State as a contractor or independent contractor based on
an understanding that the actions of the contractor or independent contractor on behalf of the State would be influenced.

(C) The University agrees that the attached "Policy Statement, Policy No. ADMIN. - 19, May 12, 2003, Subject: Policy on Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program," is hereby made a part of this Agreement. The State advises the University that failure to carry out the requirements set forth in this Policy Statement shall constitute a breach of contract and may result in termination of this Agreement by the State or such remedy as the State deems appropriate.

The University shall comply with this provision in accordance with the "Agreements With Goals Special Provisions Disadvantaged Business Enterprises as Subcontractors and Material Suppliers or Manufacturers For Federal Funded Projects," dated October 16, 2000, attached hereto and hereby made a part of this Agreement.

(D) The University hereby acknowledges and agrees to comply with the policies enumerated in Administrative Memorandum No. 104, dated August 28, 1984, Re: "Procurement and Property Management of Equipment Purchased by Construction Inspection Consultant Engineers."

(E) The University hereby acknowledges and agrees to comply with Chapter 219 of the Connecticut General Statutes pertaining to tangible personal property or services rendered that is/are subject to sales tax. The attached copy of the "Governmental Agency Exemption Certificate" is hereby made a part hereof.

(F) Suspended or debarred University suppliers, materialmen, lessors or other vendors may not submit proposals for a State contract or subcontract during the period of suspension or debarment
regardless of their anticipated status at the time of contract
award or commencement of work.

(1) The signature on the Agreement by the University shall
constitute certification that to the best of its knowledge
and belief the University or any person associated therewith
in the capacity of owner, partner, director, officer,
principal investigator, project director, manager, auditor
or any position involving the administration of Federal or
State Funds:

(a.) Is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for
debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily
excluded from covered transactions by any Federal
department or agency;

(b.) Has not within a three (3) year period preceding this
Agreement been convicted of or had a civil judgment
rendered against him/her for commission of fraud or a
criminal offense in connection with obtaining,
attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal,
State or local) transaction or contract under a public
transaction, violation of Federal or State antitrust
statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft,
forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of
records, making false statements or receiving stolen
property;

(c.) Is not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally
or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal,
State or local) with commission of any of the offenses
enumerated in paragraph (1)(b.) of this certification
and,

(d.) Has not within a three (3) year period preceding this
Agreement had one or more public transactions
(Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.

(2) Where the University is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such University shall attach an explanation to this Agreement.

(G) The University agrees to insure that the following certification be included in each subcontract Agreement to which it is a party, and further, to require said certification to be included in any lower tier subcontracts and purchase orders:

(1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

(2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

(H) This clause applies to those University who are or will be responsible for compliance with the terms of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("Act"), Public Law 101-336, during the term of the Agreement. The University represents that it is familiar with the terms of this Act and that it is in compliance with the Act. Failure of the University to satisfy this standard as the same applies to performance under this Agreement, either now or during the term of the Agreement as it may be amended, will render the Agreement voidable at the option of the State upon notice to the University. The University warrants that it will hold the State harmless and indemnify the State from any liability which may be imposed upon the State from any liability which may
be imposed upon the State as a result of any failure of the University to be in compliance with this Act, as the same applies to performance under the Agreement.

(I) The term "date data" as used herein shall mean any program function that utilizes data or input which includes an indication of or reference to the date. The University represents that any hardware, software, data in a computer format and/or firmware [hereinafter referred to as "product(s)"] delivered to or developed for the State shall be capable of accurately processing (including, but not limited to, calculating, comparing and sequencing) date data from, into and/or between the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, including leap year calculations, when used in accordance with the purpose for which the State intends to use the product(s). Such processing shall employ an expanded character format using at least eight digits in the date fields, but shall not be based upon a sliding scale format or increase the processing time of the product(s). The accurate processing of date data by such product(s) from, into and/or between the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, including leap year calculations, shall hereinafter be referred to collectively as "Year 2000 compliant." In addition, said product(s) delivered to or developed for the State shall be capable of accurately processing date data throughout the twenty-first century, as well as from, into and/or between centuries.

(J) Violence in the Workplace Prevention:

This contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. 16 of Governor John G. Rowland, promulgated August 4, 1999 and, as such, the contract may be cancelled, terminated or suspended by the state for violation of or noncompliance with said Executive Order No. 16. The parties to this contract, as part of the consideration hereof, agree that said Executive Order No. 16 is
incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof. The parties agree to abide by such Executive Order.
WHEREAS, sections 4-61d (b) and 4-114a of the 1969 supplement to the general statutes require nondiscrimination clauses in state contracts and subcontracts for construction on public buildings, other public works and goods and services and

WHEREAS, section 4-61e (c) of the 1969 supplement to the general statutes requires the labor department to encourage and enforce compliance with this policy by both employers and labor unions, and to promote equal employment opportunities, and

WHEREAS, the government of this state recognizes the duty and desirability of its leadership in providing equal employment opportunity, by implementing these laws,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THOMAS J. MESKILL, Governor of the State of Connecticut, acting by virtue of the authority vested in me under section twelve of article fourth of the constitution of the state, as supplemented by section 3-1 of the general statutes, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT, as follows, by this Executive Order:

I

The labor commissioner shall be responsible for the administration of this Order and shall adopt such regulations as he deems necessary and appropriate to achieve the purposes of this Order. Upon the promulgation of this Order, the commissioner of finance and control shall issue a directive forthwith to all state agencies, that henceforth all state contracts and subcontracts for construction on public buildings, other public works and goods and services shall contain a provision rendering such contract or subcontract subject to this Order, and that such contract or subcontract may be cancelled, terminated or suspended by the labor commissioner for violation of or noncompliance with this Order or state or federal laws concerning nondiscrimination, notwithstanding that the labor commissioner is not a party to such contract or subcontract.

II

Each contractor having a contract containing the provisions prescribed in section 4-114a of the 1969 supplement to the general statutes, shall file, and shall cause each of his subcontractors to file, compliance reports with the contracting agency or the labor commissioner, as may be directed. Such reports shall be filed within such times and shall contain such information as the commissioner may require and each subcontractor, and shall be in such form as the labor commissioner may prescribe. Bidders or prospective contractors or subcontractors may be required to state whether they have participated in any previous contract subject to the provisions of this Order or any preceding similar Order, and in that event to submit on behalf of themselves and their proposed subcontractors compliance reports prior to or as an initial part of their bid or negotiation of a contract.

III

Whenever the contractor or subcontractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding with a labor organization or employment agency as defined in section 51-122 of the general statutes, the compliance report shall identify the said organization or agency and the contracting agency or the labor commissioner may require a compliance report to be filed with the contracting agency or the labor commissioner, as may be directed, by such organization or agency, signed by an authorized officer or agent of such organization or agency, with supporting information, to the effect that the signer's practices and policies, including but not limited to matters concerning personnel, training, apprenticeship, membership, grievance and representation, and upgrading, do not discriminate on grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, sex, or national origin, or ancestry of any individual, and that the signer will either affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the policy and provisions of this Order, or that it consents and agrees that recruitment, employment and the terms and conditions of employment under the proposed contract shall be in accordance with the purposes and provisions of the Order.

IV

The labor commissioner may by regulation exempt certain classes of contracts, subcontracts or purchase order from the implementation of this Order, for standard commercial supplies or raw materials, for less than specified amounts of money or numbers of workers or for subcontractors below a specified tier. The labor commissioner may also provide by regulation for the exemption of facilities of a contractor which are in all respects separate and distinct from activities of the contractor related to the performance of the state contract, provided only that such exemption will not interfere with or impede the implementation of this Order, and provided further, that in the absence of such an exemption, all facilities shall be covered by the provisions of this Order.

V

Each contracting agency shall be primarily responsible for obtaining compliance with the regulations of the labor commissioner with respect to contracts entered into by such agency or its contractors. All contracting agencies shall comply with the regulations of the labor commissioner in discharging their primary responsibility for securing compliance with the provisions of contracts and otherwise with the terms of this Order and of the regulations of the labor commissioner issued pursuant to this Order. They are directed to cooperate with the labor commissioner and to furnish the labor commissioner such information and assistance as he may require in the performance of his functions under this Order. They are further directed to appoint or designate from among the personnel of each agency, compliance officers, whose duty shall be to seek compliance with the objectives of this Order by conference, conciliation, mediation, or persuasion.

VI

The labor commissioner may investigate the employment practices and procedures of any state contractor or subcontractor and the practices and policies of any labor organization or employment agency hereinabove described, relating to employment under the state contract, as concerns nondiscrimination by such organization or agency as hereinabove described, or the labor commissioner may initiate such investigation by the appropriate contract agency, to determine whether or not the contractual provisions hereinabove specified or statutes of the state respecting them have been violated. Such investigation shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures established by the labor commissioner and the investigating agency shall report to the labor commissioner any action taken or recommended.

VII

The labor commissioner shall receive and investigate or cause to be investigated complaints by employees or prospective employees of a state contractor or subcontractor or members or applicants for membership or apprenticeship or training in a labor organization or employment agency hereinabove described, which allege discrimination contrary to the contractual provisions specified hereinabove or state statutes requiring nondiscrimination in employment opportunity. If this investigation is conducted for the labor commissioner by a contracting agency, that agency shall report to the labor commissioner what action has been taken or is recommended with regard to such complaints.
The labor commissioner shall use his best efforts, directly and through contracting agencies, other interested federal, state and local agencies, contractors and all other available instrumentalities, including the commission on human rights and opportunities, the executive committee on human rights and opportunities, and the apprenticeship council under its mandate to provide advice and counsel to the labor commissioner in providing equal employment opportunities to all apprentices and to provide training, employment and upgrading opportunities for disadvantaged workers, in accordance with section 31-51 (d) of the 1969 supplement to the general statutes, to cause any labor organization or any employment agency whose members are engaged in work under government contracts or referring workers or providing or supervising apprenticeship or training for, or in the course of work under a state contract or subcontract to cooperate in the implementation of the purposes of this Order. The labor commissioner shall in appropriate cases notify the commission on human rights and opportunities or other appropriate state or federal agencies whenever it has reason to believe that the practices of any such organization or agency violate equal employment opportunity requirements or state or federal law.

The labor commissioner or any agency officer or employee in the executive branch designated by regulation of the labor commissioner may hold such hearings, public or private, as the labor commissioner may deem advisable for compliance, enforcement or educational purposes under this Order.

(a) The labor commissioner may hold or cause to be held hearings, prior to imposing ordering or recommending the imposition of penalties and sanctions under this Order. No order for disbarment of any contractor from further state contracts shall be made without affording the contractor an opportunity for a hearing. In accordance with such regulations as the labor commissioner may adopt, the commissioner or the appropriate contracting agency may

1. Publish or cause to be published the names of contractors or labor organizations or employment agencies as hereinabove described which it has concluded have complied or failed to comply with the provisions of this Order or the regulations of the labor commissioner in implementing this Order.

2. Recommend to the commission on human rights and opportunities that in cases in which there is substantial or material violation or threat thereof of the contractual provision or related state statutes concerned herein, appropriate proceedings be brought to enforce them, including proceedings by the commission on its own motion under chapter 563 of the general statutes and the enjoining, within the limitations of applicable law, of organizations, individuals or groups who prevent directly or indirectly or seek to prevent directly or indirectly compliance with the provisions of this Order.

3. Recommend that criminal proceedings be brought under chapter 939 of the general statutes.

4. Cancel, terminate, suspend or cause to be cancelled, terminated, or suspended in accordance with law any contract or any portion or portions thereof for failure of the contractor or subcontractor to comply with the nondiscrimination provisions of the contract. Contracts may be cancelled, terminated, or suspended absolutely or their continuance conditioned upon a program for future compliance approved by the contracting agency.

5. Provide that any contracting agency shall refrain from entering into any further contracts or extensions or modifications of existing contracts with any contractor until he has satisfied the labor commissioner that he has established and will carry out personnel and employment policies compliant with this Order.

6. Under regulations prescribed by the labor commissioner each contracting agency shall make reasonable efforts within a reasonable period of time to secure compliance with the contract provisions of this Order by methods of conference, conciliation, mediation or persuasion, before other proceedings shall be instituted under this Order or before a state contract shall be cancelled or terminated in whole or in part for failure of the contractor or subcontractor to comply with the contract provisions of state statute and this Order.

(b) Any contracting agency taking any action authorized by this Order, whether on its own motion or as directed by the labor commissioner or pursuant to his regulations shall promptly notify him of such action. Whenever the labor commissioner makes a determination under this Order, he shall promptly notify the appropriate contracting agency and other interested federal, state and local agencies of the action recommended. The state and local agency or agencies shall take such action and shall report the results thereof to the labor commissioner within such time as he shall specify.

If the labor commissioner shall so direct, contracting agencies shall not enter into contracts with any bidder or prospective contractor unless he has satisfactorily complied with the provisions of this Order, or submits a program for compliance acceptable to the labor commissioner, or if the labor commissioner so authorizes, to the contracting agency.

Whenever a contracting agency cancels or terminates a contract, or a contractor has been disbarred from further government contracts because of noncompliance with the contract provisions with regard to nondiscrimination, the labor commissioner or the contracting agency shall rescind such disbarment, upon the satisfaction of the labor commissioner that the contractor has purged himself of such noncompliance and will henceforth carry out personnel and employment policies of nondiscrimination in compliance with the provision of this Order.

The labor commissioner may delegate to any officer, agency or employee in the executive branch any function or duty of the labor commissioner under this Order except authority to promulgate regulations of a general nature.

This Executive Order supplements the Executive Order issued on September 28, 1967. All regulations, orders, instructions, designations and other directives issued heretofore in these premises, including those issued by the heads of various departments or agencies under or pursuant to prior order or statute, shall remain in full force and effect, unless and until revoked or superseded by appropriate authority, to the extent that they are not inconsistent with this Order.

This Order shall become effective thirty days after the date of this Order.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 16th day of June, 1971.

[Signature]

GOVERNOR
GUIDELINES AND RULES
OF STATE LABOR COMMISSIONER
IMPLEMENTING GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE
ORDER NO. THREE

SEC. 1. PERSONS AND FIRMS SUBJECT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. THREE AND GUIDELINES AND RULES.

a. Every contractor, or subcontractor as defined in Sec. 2 hereof, supplier of goods or services, vendor, bidder and prospective contractor or subcontractor, having ten or more employees as defined in Sec. 3 of these Guidelines, having or entering into or bidding to enter into any type of contractual relationship with the State of Connecticut or any of its agencies, boards, commissions, departments or officers, and if the consideration, cost, subject matter or value of the goods or services exceeds $5,000.00, shall be subject to the Governor's Executive Order No. Three and these Guidelines and Rules.

b. A copy of the Governor's Executive Order No. Three and of these Guidelines and Rules shall be available to each said contractor, subcontractor, supplier, vendor, bidder and prospective contractor and subcontractor, and the said Executive Order No. Three and these Guidelines and Rules shall be incorporated by reference and made a part of the contract, purchase order, agreement or document concerned. A copy of the Executive Order and of these Guidelines and Rules shall be furnished to a contracting party or bidder on request.

c. All persons, partnerships, associations, firms, corporations and other entities having less than ten employees as defined in Sec. 3 at the time of the bid and execution of the contract and continuing through the performance of the contract are exempt from the provisions of the said Executive Order and these Guidelines and Rules. All contracts, subcontracts, purchase orders and agreements wherein the consideration is $5,000.00 or less shall be exempt from Executive Order No. Three and from these Guidelines and Rules.

SEC. 2. SUBCONTRACTORS.

As used herein, subcontractors are persons, partnerships, associations, firms or corporations or other entities having contractual relationship with a contractor who in turn has a contract with the State of Connecticut or any of its agencies, boards, commissions or departments. Subcontractors below this tier are exempt from the Executive Order and from these Guidelines and Rules.

SEC. 3. EMPLOYEES.

As used herein, employees are persons working full or part-time irrespective of personnel classification whose wages, salaries, or earnings are subject to the Federal Insurance Contribution Act and/or to Federal Withholding Tax as a matter of law (whether in fact or not any actual withholding occurs in a given case), in an employee-employer relationship at the time of bid, contract execution, or offer or acceptance, and/or during any time thereafter during the existence of the performance period of the contract to the conclusion thereof.

SEC. 4. REPORTS.

a. Prior to the execution of the contract or prior to acceptance of a bid, as the case may be, the contractor, subcontractor, bidder or vendor shall file a report with the State Labor Commissioner, which report shall be complete and contain all of the information therein prescribed. The report shall be on Form E.O. 3-1, a facsimile of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, or in lieu thereof the contractor, subcontractor, bidder or vendor shall submit a detailed report containing all of the information required in Form E.O. 3-1.

b. The Labor Commissioner may require the filing of additional reports prior to final payment or prior to any renewal or extension of the contract and during the duration of the contract at such times as the Commissioner may, in his discretion, from time to time deem necessary. The Labor Commissioner may require the filing of additional information or reports, and the contractor, subcontractor, bidder or vendor shall furnish said information or reports within the times prescribed by the Labor Commissioner.

c. The Labor Commissioner may, at his discretion, also require timely statistical reports on the number of minority employees employed or to be employed in the performance of the contract, and the Labor Commissioner may define such minority groups or persons.

d. Reports filed pursuant to these Guidelines and Rules in implementation of Executive Order No. Three are not public records subject to public inspection, but may be inspected only by federal and state officials having jurisdiction and authority to investigate matters of this type. All federal and state agencies empowered by law to investigate matters relating to Executive order No. Three shall have access to these reports for inspection or copying during regular business hours.

e. Any person who wilfully, wantonly or through negligence destroys or permits to be destroyed, alters or allows to be altered after filing, any reports submitted in compliance herewith shall be subject to penalties as prescribed by law.
SEC. 5. MANDATORY CLAUSES IN DOCUMENTS.

a. All contracts shall contain the following provisions verbatim:

This contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Three of Governor Thomas J. Meskill promulgated June 16, 1971 and, as such, this contract may be cancelled, terminated or suspended by the state labor commissioner for violation of or noncompliance with said Executive Order No. Three, or any state or federal law concerning nondiscrimination, notwithstanding that the labor commissioner is not a party to this contract. The parties to this contract, as part of the consideration hereof, agree that said Executive Order No. Three is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof. The parties agree to abide by said Executive Order and agree that the state labor commissioner shall have continuing jurisdiction in respect to contract performance in regard to nondiscrimination, until the contract is completed or terminated prior to completion.

The contractor, subcontractor, (bidder), vendor, agrees, as part consideration hereof, that this (order) (contract) is subject to the Guidelines and Rules issued by the state labor commissioner to implement Executive Order No. Three, and that he will not discriminate in his employment practices or policies, will file all reports as required, and will fully cooperate with the State of Connecticut and the state labor commissioner.

These provisions are in addition to and not in lieu of other clauses required by law.*

* N.B. The above paragraphs contain requirements additional to those set forth in July 16, 1971 directive to state agencies.

b. Every purchase order or like form submitted by a vendor or bidder, as applicable, shall contain the following clause verbatim:

Vendor agrees, as part of the consideration hereof, that this order is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Three and the Guidelines and Rules issued by the Labor Commissioner implementing said Order as to nondiscrimination, and vendor agrees to comply therewith.

c. Where preprinted contract forms have been prescribed by federal authority and the rules of the federal agency prohibit the alteration thereof, the compliance officer of the State agency concerned shall submit to the Labor Commissioner a suggested short form or addendum acceptable to the federal agency, and in such cases, after approval by the Labor Commissioner, said clause may be substituted.

SEC. 6. COOPERATION OF STATE AGENCIES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

Every agency, board, commission and department of the State of Connecticut shall cooperate with the Labor Commissioner in the implementation of Executive Order No. Three and shall furnish such information and assistance as the Labor Commissioner may from time to time request.

SEC. 7. INVESTIGATIONS, COMPLAINTS.

The Labor Commissioner may initiate an investigation upon receipt of a complaint alleging discrimination. The Labor Commissioner may request that an investigation be conducted by the State agency which is the party to the contract in question. Investigations shall be conducted in accordance with acceptable legal standards, safeguarding the rights of all parties involved, and obtaining all of the relevant facts necessary for a complete determination of the issues. If the Labor Commissioner is not satisfied with the investigation or any part thereof he may order it to continue or to proceed further.

SEC. 8. HEARINGS.

The Labor Commissioner or officers designated by the heads of the State agencies, boards and commissions may conduct hearings on complaints filed. Hearings shall be held only after a report of the complaint has been filed with the Labor Commissioner and after a hearing on the complaint has been authorized or directed by the Labor Commissioner. Hearings shall be conducted in accordance with the accepted principles of administrative law. All parties shall be afforded the opportunity to a full, fair, impartial and complete hearing, the opportunity to examine and cross examine witnesses and to be present at all sessions of the hearing. If any party is vulnerable to a charge of a violation of the law, he shall be afforded the opportunity to procure counsel who may be present at the hearing.

SEC. 9. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES.

All State contracting agencies, employers, and labor unions shall use their best efforts to provide equal employment opportunities to all apprentices and to provide training, employment and upgrading opportunities for disadvantaged workers in accordance with section 31-51(d) of the General Statutes.

SEC. 10. DUTIES OF CONTRACTING AGENCIES.

All State contracting agencies shall be responsible for compliance with said Executive Order and with all state and federal laws relating to equal employment opportunities. All contracting agencies conducting investigations for the Labor Commissioner pursuant to Executive Order No. Three and these Guidelines and Rules shall report to the Labor Commissioner the action taken or recommended with regard to each complaint filed. Each officer of the executive department, every commissioner, and each executive head of each State agency, board and commission in the executive branch of the State government is expected to assume the responsibility of seeing to complete compliance with the Governor's Executive Order No. Three and shall forthwith take steps to assure and guarantee that there be no discrimination within their departments, agencies, boards or commissions in the performance of any state contract or subcontract on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, age, national origin, national ancestry, or in any way in violation of any state or federal law relating thereto.

BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NO THREE EFFECTIVE JULY 16, 1971, AND THE GENERAL STATUTES OF CONNECTICUT

Dated at Wethersfield, Connecticut this 19th day of Nov., 1971.  

Jack A. Fusari  
LABOR COMMISSIONER
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
BY HIS EXCELLENCY
THOMAS J. MESSELL
GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. SEVENTEEN

WHEREAS, Section 31-237 of the General Statutes of Connecticut as amended requires the maintaining of the established free services of the Connecticut State Employment Service to both employers and prospective employees and

WHEREAS, Section 31-5 of the General Statutes of Connecticut requires that no compensation or fee shall be charged or received directly or indirectly for the services of the Connecticut State Employment Service and

WHEREAS, large numbers of our citizens who have served in the Armed Forces of our nation are returning to civilian life in our state and seeking employment in civilian occupations and

WHEREAS, we owe a duty as well as gratitude to these returning veterans including the duty to find suitable employment for them and

WHEREAS, many of our handicapped citizens are fully capable of employment and are entitled to be placed in suitable employment and

WHEREAS, many of the citizens of our state who are unemployed are unaware of the job openings and employment opportunities which do in fact exist in our state and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the free services of the Connecticut State Employment Service, many of our Connecticut employers do not use its free services or do not avail themselves fully of all of the services offered.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THOMAS J. MESSELL, Governor of the State of Connecticut, acting by virtue of the authority vested in me under the fourth article of the Constitution of the State and in accordance with Section 3-1 of the General Statutes, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT, as follows, by this Executive Order:

I

The Labor Commissioner shall be responsible for the administration of this Order and shall do all acts necessary and appropriate to achieve its purpose. Upon promulgation of this Order, the Commissioner of Finance and Control shall issue a directive forthwith to all state agencies that henceforth all state contracts and subcontracts for construction on public buildings, other public works and goods and services shall contain a provision rendering such contract or subcontract subject to this Order, and that such contract or subcontract may be cancelled, terminated or suspended by the Labor Commissioner for violation of or noncompliance with this Order, notwithstanding that the Labor Commissioner is not a party to such contract or subcontract.

II

Every contractor and subcontractor having a contract with the state or any of its agencies, boards, commissions, or departments, every individual partnership, corporation, or business entity having business with the state or who or which seeks to do business with the state, and every bidder or prospective bidder who submits a bid or responds to an invitation to bid on any state contract shall list all employment openings with the office of the Connecticut State Employment Service in the area where the work is to be performed or where the services are to be rendered.

III

All state contracts shall contain a clause which shall be a condition of the contract that the contractor and any subcontractor holding a contract directly under the contractor shall list all employment openings with the Connecticut State Employment Service. The Labor Commissioner may allow exceptions to listings of employment openings which the contractor proposes to fill from within its organization from employees on the rolls of the contractor on the date of publication of the invitation to bid or the date on which the public announcement was published or promulgated advising of the program concerned.

Each contracting agency of the state shall be primarily responsible for obtaining compliance with this Executive Order. Each contracting agency shall appoint or designate from among its personnel one or more persons who shall be responsible for compliance with the objectives of this Order.

V

The Labor Commissioner shall be and is hereby empowered to inspect the books, records, payroll and personnel data of each individual or business entity subject to this Executive Order and may hold hearings or conferences, formal or informal, in pursuance of the duties and responsibilities heretofore delegated to the Labor Commissioner.

VI

The Labor Commissioner or any agency officer or employee in the executive branch designated by regulation of the Labor Commissioner may hold such hearings, public or private, as the Labor Commissioner may deem advisable for compliance, enforcement or educational purposes under this Order.

VII

(a) The Labor Commissioner may hold or cause to be held hearings, prior to imposing, ordering, or recommending the imposition of penalties and sanctions under this Order. In accordance herewith, the Commissioner or the appropriate contracting agency may suspend, cancel, terminate, or cause to be suspended, cancelled, or terminated in accordance with law any contract or any portion or portions thereof for failure of the contractor or subcontractor to comply with the listing provisions of the contract. Contracts may be cancelled, terminated, suspended absolutely or their continuance conditioned upon a program for future compliance approved by the contracting agency.

(b) Any contracting agency taking any action authorized by this Order, whether on its own motion or as directed by the Labor Commissioner, shall promptly notify him of such action. Whenever the Labor Commissioner makes a determination under this Order, he shall promptly notify the appropriate contracting agency of the action recommended. The agency shall report the results to the Labor Commissioner promptly.

VIII

If the Labor Commissioner shall so direct, contracting agencies shall not enter into contracts with any bidder or prospective contractor unless he has satisfactorily complied with the provisions of this Order.

This Order shall become effective sixty days after the date of this Order.


[Signature]
GOVERNOR
Specific Equal Employment Opportunity Responsibilities

1. General

A. Equal Employment Opportunity Requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal employment opportunity as required by Executive Order 11246, Executive Order 11375, the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 and other U.S. Department of Transportation nondiscrimination legislation are set forth in this Required Contract/Agreement Provision. The requirements set forth in these special provisions shall constitute the specific affirmative action requirements for project activities under this contract (or agreement) and supplement the equal employment opportunity requirements set forth in other related contract provisions.

B. "Company" refers to any entity doing business with the Connecticut Department of Transportation and includes but is not limited to the following:

- Contractors
- Subcontractors
- Consultants
- Subconsultants
- Vendors (where applicable)
- Suppliers of Materials (where applicable)
- Municipalities (where applicable)
- Utilities (where applicable)

C. The Company will work with the Connecticut Department of Transportation and the federal government in carrying out equal employment opportunity obligations and in their review of his/her activities under the contract or agreement.

D. The Company and all their subcontractors or subconsultants holding subcontracts or subagreements of $10,000 or more on federally-assisted projects and $5,000 or more on state funded projects, will comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of equal employment opportunity. The Company will physically include these requirements in every subcontract or subagreement meeting the monetary criteria above with such modification of language as is necessary to make them binding on the subcontractor or subconsultant.

E. These Required Contract Provisions apply to all state funded and/or federally-assisted projects, activities and programs in all facets of the Connecticut Department of Transportation operations resulting in contracts or agreements.

2. Equal Employment Opportunity Policy

The Company will develop, accept and adopt as its operating policy an Affirmative Action Plan utilizing as a guide the Connecticut Department of Transportation Affirmative Action Plan Guideline.

3. Equal Employment Opportunity Officer

The Company will designate and make known to the State Department of Transportation contracting officers an equal employment opportunity officer (hereinafter referred to as the EEO Officer) who will have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active program of equal employment opportunity and who must be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.

4. Dissemination of Policy

A. All members of the Company's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action, or who are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of, and will implement, the Company's equal employment opportunity policy and contractual responsibilities to provide equal employment opportunity in each grade and classification of employment. To ensure that the above agreement will be met, the following actions will be taken as a minimum:

   (1) Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less than once every six (6) months thereafter, at which time the Company’s equal employment opportunity policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. The meetings will be conducted by the EEO Officer or other knowledgeable Company official.
(2) All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer or other knowledgeable Company official covering all major aspects of the Company’s equal employment opportunity obligations within thirty (30) days following their reporting for duty with the Company.

(3) All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the project will be instructed by the EEO Officer or appropriate Company official in the Company’s procedures for locating and hiring protected class group employee.

B. In order to make the Company’s equal employment opportunity policy known to all employees, prospective employees and potential sources of employees, i.e., schools, employment agencies, labor unions (where appropriate), college placement officers, etc., the Company will take the following actions:

(1) Notices and posters setting forth the Company’s equal employment opportunity policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.

(2) The Company’s equal employment opportunity policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.

5. Recruitment

A. When advertising for employees, the Company will include in all advertisements for employees the notation: “An Equal Opportunity Employer.” All such advertisements will be published in newspapers or other publications having a large circulation among minority groups in the area from which the project work force would normally be derived.

B. The Company will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minority group applicants, including, but not limited to, State employment agencies, schools, colleges and minority group organizations. To meet this requirement, the Company will, through its EEO Officer, identify sources of potential minority group employees, and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority group applicants may be referred to the Company for employment consideration.

In the event the Company has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring hall referrals, the Company is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system permits the Company’s compliance with equal employment opportunity contract provisions. (The U.S. Department of Labor has held that where implementation of such agreements have the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the Company to do the same, such implementation violates Executive Order 11246, as amended.)

C. The Company will encourage its present employees to refer minority group applicants for employment by posting appropriate notices or bulletins in the areas accessible to all such employees. In addition, information and procedures with regard to referring minority group applicants will be discussed with employees.

6. Personnel Actions

Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoffs, and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, etc. The following procedures shall be followed:

A. The Company will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to insure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of project site personnel.

B. The Company will periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.
C. The Company will periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the Company will promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective action shall include all affected persons.

D. The Company will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the Company in connection with his obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the Company will inform every complainant of all of his avenues of appeal.

E. The general contract provision entitled A(76) Affirmative Action Requirements is made part of this document by reference. In conjunction with this contract provision, only the job categories will change in order to be comparable with the job categories utilized by the Company proposing to do business with the Connecticut Department of Transportation. The goals and time tables will remain the same throughout the contract provision.

7. Training and Promotion

A. The Company will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minority group and women employees, and applicants for employment.

B. Consistent with the Company’s work force requirements and as permissible under Federal and State regulations, the Company shall make full use of training programs, i.e., apprenticeship, and on-the-job training programs for the geographical area of contract performance. Where feasible, 25 percent of apprentices or trainees in each occupation shall be in their first year of apprenticeship or training. In the event the Training Special Provision is provided under this contract, this subparagraph will be superseded.

C. The Company will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each.

D. The Company will periodically review the training and promotion potential of minority group and women employees and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.

8. Unions

If the Company relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, it will use its best efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for minority groups and women within the unions, and to effect referrals by such unions of minority and female employees. Actions by the Company either directly or through an association acting as agent will include the procedures set forth below:

A. The Company will use its best efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minority group members and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minority group employees and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.

B. The Company will use its best efforts to incorporate an equal employment opportunity clause into each union agreement to the end that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, etc.

C. The Company is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish such information to the Company, the Company shall so certify to the Connecticut Department of Transportation and shall set forth what efforts have been made to obtain such information.

D. In the event the union is unable to provide the Company with a reasonable flow of minority and women referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the Company will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill
the employment vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin, etc. making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualifiable minority group persons and women. (The U.S. Department of Labor has held that it shall be no excuse that the union with which the Company has a collective bargaining agreement providing for exclusive referral failed to refer minority employees). In the event the union referral practice prevents the Company from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, these provisions, such Company shall immediately notify the Connecticut Department of Transportation.

9. Subcontracting

A. The Company will use its best efforts to solicit bids from and to utilize minority group subcontractors, or subcontractors with meaningful minority group and female representation among their employees. Companies shall obtain a list of applicable Disadvantaged Business Enterprises firms from the Division of Contract Compliance.

B. The Company will use its best efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their equal employment opportunity obligations.

C. The General Contract Provisions entitled “Minority Business Enterprises as Subcontractors” is made part of this document by reference and its requirements are applicable to all entities proposing to do business with the Connecticut Department of Transportation.

10. Records and Reports

For the duration of the project, the company will maintain records as are necessary to determine compliance with the Company’s equal employment opportunity obligations and Affirmative Action requirements. Additionally, the company will submit all requested reports in the manner required by the contracting agency.

A. The number of minority and nonminority group members and women employed in each work classification on the project.

B. The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women (applicable only to Companies which rely on whole or in part on unions as a source of their work force).

C. The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minority and female employees, and

D. The progress and efforts being made in securing the services of minority and female owned businesses.

(1) All such records must be retained for a period of three (3) years following completion of the contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the State Department of Transportation and the U.S. Department of Transportation including consultant firms.

(2) If on-the-job training is being required by the “Training Special Provision,” the Company will be required to furnish a Monthly Training Report and Supplement Report (1409) for each trainee.

11. Affirmative Action Plan

A. Contractors, subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, and all other Companies with contracts, agreements or purchase orders completely state funded will submit an Affirmative Action Plan if the contract value is $5,000 or over.

B. Contractors, subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, and all other Companies with federally-assisted contracts, agreements, or purchase orders valued at $10,000 or more will submit an Affirmative Action Plan.

C. Companies with contracts, agreements, or purchase orders with total dollar value under that which is stipulated in A and B above shall be exempt from the required submission of an Affirmative Action Plan unless otherwise directed by the Division of Contract Compliance.
Policy No. ADMIN.-10  
March 25, 1999

SUBJECT: Code of Ethics Policy

It is the policy of the Department that all employees are to comply with Sections 1-79 through 1-89 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, entitled Code of Ethics for Public Officials.

Any questions concerning the application of the Code of Ethics for specific situations should be directed to the State Ethics Commission.

The Personnel Administrator shall be responsible for issuing periodic updates and/or clarifications of previously released Personnel Memorandums concerning this Code of Ethics Policy as is deemed appropriate.

(This statement supersedes the Commissioner's Policy Statement No. ADMIN.-10 dated November 28, 1994.)

James F. Sullivan  
Commissioner
SUBJECT: Policy on Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program

The Department of Transportation (DOT) is committed to an effective implementation of a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (D.B.E.) Program as defined in Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, and includes the following objectives:

(a) To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts in the Department's highway, transit, and airport financial assistance programs;

(b) To create a level playing field in which D.B.E.s can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;

(c) To ensure that the Department's D.B.E. Program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;

(d) To ensure only firms that fully meet this part's eligibility standards are permitted to participate as D.B.E.s;

(e) To help remove barriers to the participation of D.B.E.s in DOT-assisted contracts; and

(f) To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the marketplace outside the D.B.E. Program.

The Director of Equal Opportunity Assurance has been designated as the D.B.E. Liaison Officer. In that capacity, the Director of Equal Opportunity Assurance is responsible for implementing all aspects of the D.B.E. Program. Implementation of the D.B.E. Program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by the Connecticut Department of Transportation in its financial assistance agreements with the U.S. Department of Transportation.
As part of the requirements for Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, effective immediately, I am directing the following be included in all federal-aid contracts, all financial assistance agreements, and in all subcontracts.

For all agreements with contractors, subcontractors, consultants, cities, towns, and all recipients of State or federal-assistance funds:

1) The contractor, subrecipient, or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate.

In addition to the above, all financial agreements shall also contain the following statement:

2) The recipient shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of any DOT-assisted contract or in the administration of its D.B.E. Program or the requirements of 49 CFR Part 26. The recipient shall take all necessary and reasonable steps under 49 CFR Part 26 to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. The recipient's D.B.E. Program, as required by 49 CFR Part 26 and as approved by DOT, is incorporated by reference in this agreement. Implementation of this program is a legal obligation and failure to carry out its terms shall be treated as a violation of this agreement. Upon notification to the recipient of its failure to carry out its approved program, the Department may impose sanctions as provided for under Part 26 and may, in appropriate cases, refer the matter for enforcement under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and/or the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 (31 U.S.C. 3801 et seq).

(This statement supersedes the Commissioner's Policy Statement No. ADMIN.-19, dated March 14, 2003.)

James F. Byrnes, Jr.
Commissioner
AGreements with GOALS
SPECIAL PROVISIONS
Disadvantaged Business Enterprises
As Subcontractors and Material Suppliers or Manufacturers
For Federal Funded Projects

Revised – October 16, 2000

NOTE: Certain of the requirements and procedures stated in this special provision are applicable prior to the execution of the Contract document.

I. ABBREVIATIONS AND DEFINITIONS AS USED IN THIS SPECIAL PROVISION

A. “CDOT” means the Connecticut Department of Transportation.

B. “DOT” means the U.S. Department of Transportation, including the Office of the Secretary, the Federal Highway Administration (“FHWA”), the Federal Transit Administration (“FTA”), and the Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”).

C. “Broker” means a party acting as an agent for others in negotiating contracts, agreements, purchases, sales, etc., in return for a fee or commission.

D. “Contract,” “agreement” or “subcontract” means a legally binding relationship obligating a seller to furnish supplies or services (including, but not limited to, construction and professional services) and the buyer to pay for them. For the purposes of this provision a lease for equipment or products is also considered to be a Contract.

E. “Contractor,” means a consultant, second party or any other entity doing business with CDOT or, as the context may require, with another Contractor.

F. “Disadvantaged Business Enterprise” (“DBE”) means a small business concern:

   1. That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more individuals who are both socially and economically disadvantaged or, in the case of a corporation, in which 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more such individuals; and

   2. Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of the socially and economically disadvantaged individuals who own it.

G. “DOT-assisted Contract” means any Contract between a recipient and a Contractor (at any tier) funded in whole or in part with DOT financial assistance, including letters of credit or loan guarantees.

H. “Good Faith Efforts” means efforts to achieve a DBE goal or other requirement of this part which, by their scope, intensity, and appropriateness to the objective, can reasonably be expected to fulfill the program requirement. Refer to Appendix A of 49 Code of Federal Regulation (“CFR”) Part 26 – “Guidance Concerning Good Faith Efforts,” a copy of which is attached to this provision, for guidance as to what constitutes good faith efforts.
I. “Small Business Concern” means, with respect to firms seeking to participate as DBEs in DOT-assisted Contracts, a small business concern as defined pursuant to Section 3 of the Small Business Act and Small Business Administration (“SBA”) regulations implementing it (13 CFR Part 121) that also does not exceed the cap on average annual gross receipts specified in 49 CFR Part 26, Section 26.65(b).

J. “Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Individuals” means any individual who is a citizen (or lawfully admitted permanent resident) of the United States and who is—

1. Any individual who CDOT finds on a case-by-case basis to be socially and economically disadvantaged individual.

2. Any individuals in the following groups, members of which are rebuttably presumed to be socially and economically disadvantaged:

   i. “Black Americans,” which includes persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa;

   ii. “Hispanic Americans,” which includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Dominican, Central or South American, or other Spanish or Portuguese culture or origin, regardless of race;

   iii. “Native Americans,” which includes persons who are American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians;

   iv. “Asian-Pacific Americans,” which includes persons whose origins are from Japan, China, Taiwan, Korea, Burma (Myanmar), Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia (Kampuchea), Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Burundi, Samoa, Guam, The U.S. Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands (Republic of Palau), the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Macao, Fiji, Tonga, Kiribati, Juvalu, Nauru, Federated States of Micronesia, or Hong Kong;

   v. “Subcontinent Asian Americans,” which includes persons whose origins are from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, the Maldives Islands, Nepal or Sri Lanka;

   vi. Women;

   vii. Any additional groups whose members are designated as socially and economically disadvantaged by the SBA, at such time as the SBA designation becomes effective.

II. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

A. The Contractor, sub-recipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this Contract. The Contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted Contracts. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the termination of the Contract or such other remedy, as the DOT deems appropriate.
B. The Contractor shall cooperate with CDOT and DOT in implementing the requirements concerning DBE utilization on this Contract in accordance with Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26 entitled “Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs” (“49 CFR Part 26”), as revised. The Contractor shall also cooperate with CDOT and DOT in reviewing the Contractor’s activities relating to this Special Provision. This Special Provision is in addition to all other equal opportunity employment requirements of this Contract.

C. The Contractor shall designate a liaison officer who will administer the Contractor’s DBE program. Upon execution of this Contract, the name of the liaison officer shall be furnished in writing to CDOT’s Division of Contract Compliance.

D. For the purpose of this Special Provision, DBEs to be used to satisfy the DBE goal must be certified by CDOT’s Division of Contract Compliance for the type(s) of work they will perform.

E. If the Contractor allows work designated for DBE participation required under the terms of this Contract and required under III-B to be performed by other than the named DBE organization without concurrence from CDOT’s unit administering the Contract, CDOT will not pay the Contractor for the value of the work performed by organizations other than the designated DBE.

F. At the completion of all Contract work, the Contractor shall submit a final report to CDOT’s unit administering the Contract indicating the work done by, and the dollars paid to DBEs. If the Contractor does not achieve the specified Contract goals for DBE participation, the Contractor shall also submit written documentation to the CDOT unit administering the Contract detailing its good faith efforts to satisfy the goal that were made during the performance of the Contract. Documentation is to include but not be limited to the following:

1. A detailed statement of the efforts made to select additional subcontracting opportunities to be performed by DBEs in order to increase the likelihood of achieving the stated goal.

2. A detailed statement, including documentation of the efforts made to contact and solicit bids/proposals with CDOT certified DBEs, including the names, addresses, dates and telephone numbers of each DBE contacted, and a description of the information provided to each DBE regarding the scope of services and anticipated time schedule of work items proposed to be subcontracted and nature of response from firms contacted.

3. Provide a detailed statement for each DBE that submitted a subcontract proposal, which the Contractor considered not to be acceptable stating the reasons for this conclusion.

4. Provide documents to support contacts made with CDOT requesting assistance in satisfying the Contract specified goal.

5. Provide documentation of all other efforts undertaken by the Contractor to meet the defined goal.
G. Failure of the Contractor at the completion of all Contract work to have at least the specified percentage of this Contract performed by DBEs as required in III-B will result in the reduction in Contract payments to the Contractor by an amount determined by multiplying the total Contract value by the specified percentage required in III-B and subtracting from that result, the dollar payments for the work actually performed by DBEs. However, in instances where the Contractor can adequately document or substantiate its good faith efforts made to meet the specified percentage to the satisfaction of CDOT, no reduction in payments will be imposed.

H. All records must be retained for a period of three (3) years following acceptance by CDOT of the Contract and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of CDOT and Federal agencies. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the three (3) year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audits findings involving the records are resolved.

I. Nothing contained herein, is intended to relieve any Contractor or subcontractor or material supplier or manufacturer from compliance with all applicable Federal and State legislation or provisions concerning equal employment opportunity, affirmative action, nondiscrimination and related subjects during the term of this Contract.

III. SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:

A. The Contractor shall assure that certified DBEs will have an opportunity to compete for subcontract work on this Contract, particularly by arranging solicitations and time for the preparation of proposals for services to be provided so as to facilitate the participation of DBEs regardless if a Contract goal is specified or not.

B. Contract goal for DBE participation equaling 0 percent of the total Contract value has been established for this Contract. Compliance with this provision may be fulfilled when a DBE or any combination of DBEs perform work under Contract in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26, Subpart C, Section 26.55, as revised. Only work actually performed by and/or services provided by DBEs which are certified for such work and/or services can be counted toward the DBE goal. Supplies and equipment a DBE purchases or leases from the prime Contractor or its affiliate cannot be counted toward the goal.

If the Contractor does not document commitments, by subcontracting and/or procurement of material and/or services that at least equal the goal stipulated in III-B, or document a plan which indicates how the Contractor intends to meet the goal in the future phase(s) of the work, the Contractor must document the good faith efforts that outline the steps it took to meet the goal in accordance with VII.

C. Prior to execution of the Contract the Contractor shall indicate, in writing on the forms provided by CDOT to the Director of Contract Administration or CDOT’s unit administering the Contract, the DBE(s) it will use to achieve the goal indicated in III-B. The submission shall include the name and address of each DBE that will participate in this Contract, a description of the work each will perform and the dollar amount of participation. This information shall be signed by the named DBE and the Contractor. The named DBE shall be from a list of certified DBEs available from CDOT. In addition, the named DBE(s) shall be certified to perform the type of work they will be contracted to do.
D. The prime Contractor shall provide a fully executed copy of each agreement with each DBE named to achieve the goal indicated in III-B to CDOT’s unit administering the Contract.

E. The Contractor is required, should there be a change in a DBE they submitted in III-C, to submit documentation to CDOT’s unit administering the Contract which will substantiate and justify the change, (i.e., documentation to provide a basis for the change for review and approval by CDOT’s unit administering the Contract) prior to the implementation of the change. The Contractor must demonstrate that the originally named DBE is unable to perform in conformity to the scope of service or is unwilling to perform, or is in default of its Contract, or is overextended on other jobs. If the Contractor’s ability to negotiate a more advantageous agreement with another subcontractor is not a valid basis for change, Documentation shall include a letter of release from the originally named DBE indicating the reason(s) for the release.

F. Contractors subcontracting with DBEs to perform work or services as required by this Special Provision shall not terminate such firms without advising CDOT’s unit administering the Contract in writing, and providing adequate documentation to substantiate the reasons for termination if the DBE has not started or completed the work or the services for which it has been contracted to perform.

G. When a DBE is unable or unwilling to perform or is terminated for just cause the Contractor shall make good faith efforts to find other DBE opportunities to increase DBE participation to the extent necessary to at least satisfy the goal required by III-B.

H. In instances where an alternate DBE is proposed, a revised submission to CDOT’s unit administering the Contract together with the documentation required in III-C, III-D, and III-E, must be made for its review and approval.

I. Each quarter after execution of the Contract, the Contractor shall submit a report to CDOT’s unit administering the Contract indicating the work done by, and the dollars paid to the DBE for the current quarter and to date.

IV. MATERIAL SUPPLIERS OR MANUFACTURERS

A. If the Contractor elects to utilize a DBE supplier or manufacturer to satisfy a portion or all of the specified DBE goal, the Contractor must provide the CDOT with:

1. An executed “Connecticut Department of Transportation DBE Supplier/Manufacturer Affidavit” (sample attached), and

2. Substantiation of payments made to the supplier or manufacturer for materials used on the project.

B. Credit for DBE suppliers is limited to 60% of the value of the material to be supplied, provided such material is obtained from a regular DBE dealer. A regular dealer is a firm that owns, operates, or maintains a store, warehouse or other establishment in which the materials or supplies required for the performance of the Contract are bought, kept in stock and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business. To be a regular dealer, the firm must engage in, as its principal business, and in its own name, the purchase and sale of the products in question. A regular dealer in such bulk items as steel, cement, gravel, stone and petroleum products, need not keep such products in stock if it owns or operates distribution equipment. Brokers and packagers shall not be regarded as material suppliers or manufacturers.
C. Credit for DBE manufacturers is 100% of the value of the manufactured product. A manufacturer is a firm that operates or maintains a factory or establishment that produces on the premises the materials or supplies obtained by the Department of Transportation or Contractor.

V. NON-MANUFACTURING OR NON-SUPPLIER DBE CREDIT:

A. Contractors may count towards their DBE goals the following expenditures with DBEs that are not manufacturers or suppliers:

1. Reasonable fees or commissions charged for providing a bona fide service such as professional, technical, consultant or managerial services and assistance in the procurement of essential personnel, facilities, equipment materials or supplies necessary for the performance of the Contract provided that the fee or commission is determined by the CDOT to be reasonable and consistent with fees customarily allowed for similar services.

2. The fees charged for delivery of materials and supplies required on a job site (but not the cost of the materials and supplies themselves) when the hauler, trucker, or delivery service is a DBE but is not also the manufacturer of or a regular dealer in the materials and supplies, provided that the fees are determined by the CDOT to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.

3. The fees or commissions charged for providing bonds or insurance specifically required for the performance of the Contract, provided that the fees or commissions are determined by the CDOT to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.

VI. BROKERING

A. Brokering of work by DBEs who have been approved to perform subcontract work with their own workforce and equipment is not allowed, and is a Contract violation.

B. DBEs involved in the brokering of subcontract work that they were approved to perform may be decertified.

C. Firms involved in the brokering of work, whether they are DBEs and/or majority firms who engage in willful falsification, distortion or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project shall be referred to the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Office of the Inspector General for prosecution under Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 10.20.
VII. REVIEW OF PRE-AWARD GOOD FAITH EFFORTS

A. If the Contractor does not document commitments by subcontracting and/or procurement of material and/or services that at least equal the goal stipulated in III-B before execution of the Contract, or document a plan which indicates how the Contractor intends to meet the goal in future phase(s) of the work, the Contractor must document the good faith efforts that outline the specific steps it took to meet the goal. Execution of the Contract will proceed if the Contractor’s good faith efforts are deemed satisfactory and approved by CDOT. To obtain such an exception, the Contractor must submit an application to CDOT’s Director of Contract Administration or CDOT’s unit administering the Contract, which documents the specific good faith efforts that were made to meet the DBE goal. Application forms for Review of Pre-Award Good Faith Efforts are available from CDOT’s Division of Contract Administration.

The application must include the following documentation:

1. a statement setting forth in detail which parts, if any, of the Contract were reserved by the Contractor and not available for subcontracting;

2. a statement setting forth all parts of the Contract that are likely to be sublet;

3. a statement setting forth in detail the efforts made to select subcontracting work in order to likely achieve the stated goal;

4. copies of all letters sent to DBEs;

5. a statement listing the dates and DBEs that were contacted by telephone and the result of each contact;

6. a statement listing the dates and DBEs that were contacted by means other than telephone and the result of each contact;

7. copies of letters received from DBEs in which they declined to bid or submit proposals;

8. a statement setting forth the facts with respect to each DBE bid/proposal received and the reason(s) any such bid/proposal was declined;

9. a statement setting forth the dates that calls were made to CDOT’s Division of Contract Compliance seeking DBE referrals and the result of each such call; and

10. Any information of a similar nature relevant to the application.

B. All applications shall be submitted to the Director of Contract Administration or CDOT’s unit administering the Contract. Upon receipt of the submission of an application for review of pre-award good faith efforts, CDOT’s Director of Contract Administration or CDOT’s unit administering the Contract shall submit the documentation to the Division of Contract Compliance who will review the documents and determine if the package is complete and accurate and adequately documents the Contractor’s good faith efforts. Within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the documentation the Division of Contract Compliance shall notify the Contractor by certified mail of the approval or denial of its good faith efforts.
C. If the Contractor’s application is denied, the Contractor shall have seven (7) days upon receipt of written notification of denial to request administrative reconsideration. The Contractor’s request for administrative reconsideration should be sent in writing to: Director of Contract Administration or CDOT’s unit administering the Contract, P.O. Box 317546, Newington, CT 06131-7546. The Director of Contract Administration or CDOT’s unit administering the Contract will forward the Contractor’s reconsideration request to the DBE Screening Committee. The DBE Screening Committee will schedule a meeting within fourteen (14) days from receipt of the Contractor’s request for administrative reconsideration and advise the Contractor of the date, time and location of the meeting. At this meeting the Contractor will be provided with the opportunity to present written documentation and/or argument concerning the issue of whether it made adequate good faith efforts to meet the goal. Within seven (7) days following the reconsideration meeting, the chairperson of the DBE Screening Committee will send the contractor via certified mail a written decision on its reconsideration request, explaining the basis of finding either for or against the request. The DBE Screening Committee’s decision is final. If the reconsideration is denied, the Contractor shall indicate in writing to the Director of Contract Administration or CDOT’s unit administering the Contract within fourteen (14) days of receipt of written notification of denial, the DBEs it will use to achieve the goal indicated in III-B.

D. Approval of pre-execution good faith efforts does not relieve the Contractor from its obligation to make additional good faith efforts to achieve the DBE goal should contracting opportunities arise during actual performance of the Contract work.
APPENDIX A TO 49 CFR PART 26 – GUIDANCE CONCERNING GOOD FAITH EFFORTS

I. When, as a recipient, you establish a Contract goal on a DOT-assisted Contract, a Bidder/Contractor must, in order to be responsible and/or responsive, make good faith efforts to meet the goal. The Bidder/Contractor can meet this requirement in either of two ways. First, the Bidder/Contractor can meet the goal, documenting commitments for participation by DBE firms sufficient for this purpose. Second, even if it doesn’t meet the goal, the Bidder/Contractor can document adequate good faith efforts. This means that the Bidder/Contractor must show that it took all necessary and reasonable steps to achieve a DBE goal or other requirement of this part which, by their scope, intensity, and appropriateness to the objective, could reasonably be expected to obtain sufficient DBE participation, even if they were not fully successful.

II. In any situation in which you have established a Contract goal, Part 26 requires you to use the good faith efforts mechanism of this part. As a recipient, it is up to you to make a fair and reasonable judgment whether a Bidder/Contractor that did not meet the goal made adequate good faith efforts. It is important for you to consider the quality, quantity, and intensity of the different kinds of efforts that the Bidder/Contractor has made. The efforts employed by the Bidder/Contractor should be those that one could reasonably expect a Bidder/Contractor to take if the Bidder/Contractor were actively and aggressively trying to obtain DBE participation sufficient to meet the DBE Contract goal. Mere pro forma efforts are not good faith efforts to meet the DBE Contract requirements. We emphasize, however, that your determination concerning the sufficiency of the firm’s good faith efforts is a judgment call: meeting quantitative formulas is not required.

III. The Department also strongly cautions you against requiring that a Bidder/Contractor meet a Contract goal (i.e., obtain a specified amount of DBE participation) in order to be awarded a Contract, even though the Bidder/Contractor makes an adequate good faith efforts showing. This rule specifically prohibits you from ignoring bona fide good faith efforts.

IV. The following is a list of types of actions which you should consider as part of the Bidder/Contractor’s good faith efforts to obtain DBE participation. It is not intended to be a mandatory checklist, nor is it intended to be exclusive or exhaustive. Other factors or types of efforts may be relevant in appropriate cases.

A. Soliciting through all reasonable and available means (e.g. attendance at pre-bid meetings, advertising and/or written notices) the interest of all certified DBEs who have the capability to perform the work of the Contract. The Bidder/Contractor must solicit this interest within sufficient time to allow the DBEs to respond to the solicitation. The Bidder/Contractor must determine with certainty if the DBEs are interested by taking appropriate steps to follow up initial solicitations.

B. Selecting portions of the work to be performed by DBEs in order to increase the likelihood that the DBE goals will be achieved. This includes, where appropriate, breaking out Contract work items into economically feasible units to facilitate DBE participation, even when the prime Contractor might otherwise prefer to perform these work items with its own forces.
C. Providing interested DBEs with adequate information about the plans, specifications, and requirements of the Contract in a timely manner to assist them in responding to a solicitation.

D. (1) Negotiating in good faith with interested DBEs. It is the Bidder/Contractor’s responsibility to make a portion of the work available to DBE subcontractors and suppliers and to select those portions of the work or material needs consistent with the available DBE subcontractors and suppliers, so as to facilitate DBE participation. Evidence of such negotiation includes the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of DBEs that were considered; a description of the information provided regarding the plans and specifications for the work selected for subcontracting; and evidence as to why additional agreements could not be reached for DBEs to perform the work.

(2) A Bidder/Contractor using good business judgment would consider a number of factors in negotiating with subcontractors, including DBE subcontractors, and would take a firm’s price and capabilities as well as Contract goals into consideration. However, the fact that there may be some additional costs involved in finding and using DBEs is not in itself sufficient reason for a Bidder/Contractor’s failure to meet the Contract DBE goal, as long as such costs are reasonable. Also, the ability or desire of a prime Contractor to perform the work of a Contract with its own organization does not relieve the Bidder/Contractor of the responsibility to make good faith efforts. Prime Contractors are not, however, required to accept higher quotes from DBEs if the price difference is excessive or unreasonable.

E. Not rejecting DBEs as being unqualified without sound reasons based on a thorough investigation of their capabilities. The Contractor’s standing within its industry, membership in specific groups, organizations, or associations and political or social affiliations (for example union vs. non-union employee status) are not legitimate causes for the rejection or non-solicitation of bids/proposals in the Contractor’s efforts to meet the project goal.

F. Making efforts to assist interested DBEs in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, or insurance as required by the recipient or Contractor.

G. Making efforts to assist interested DBEs in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or related assistance or services.

H. Effectively using the services of available minority/women community organizations; minority/women Contractors’ groups; local, state, and Federal minority/women business assistance offices; and other organizations as allowed on a case-by-case basis to provide assistance in the recruitment and placement of DBEs.
V. In determining whether a Bidder/Contractor has made good faith efforts, you may take into account the performance of other bidder/Contractors in meeting the Contract. For example, when the apparent successful Bidder/Contractor fails to meet the Contract goal, but others meet it, you may reasonably raise the question of whether, with additional reasonable efforts, the apparent successful Bidder/Contractor could have met the goal. If the apparent successful Bidder/Contractor fails to meet the goal, but meets or exceeds the average DBE participation obtained by other Bidder/Contractors, you may view this, in conjunction with other factors, as evidence of the apparent successful Bidder/Contractor having made good faith efforts.
CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
DBE SUPPLIER/MANUFACTURER AFFIDAVIT

This affidavit must be completed by the State Contractor’s DBE notarized and attached to the Contractor’s request to utilize a DBE supplier or manufacturer as a credit towards its DBE Contract requirements; failure to do so will result in not receiving credit towards the Contract DBE requirement.

State Project No.    
Federal Aid Project No.    
Description of Project

I, ____________________________, acting in behalf of ____________________________, (DBE person, firm, association or organization) of which I am the ____________________________, certify and affirm that ____________________________ (DBE person, firm, association or organization) is certified Connecticut Department of Transportation DBE. I further certify and affirm that I have read and understand 49 CFR, Sec. 26.55(e)(2), as the same may be revised.

I further certify and affirm that ____________________________, (DBE person, firm, association or organization) will assume the actual and contractual responsibility for the provision of the materials and/or supplies sought by ____________________________. (State Contractor)

If a manufacturer, I produce goods from raw materials or substantially alter them before resale, or if a supplier, I perform a commercially useful function in the supply process.

I understand that false statements made herein are punishable by Law (Sec. 53a-157), CGS, as revised.

______________________________
(Name of Organization or Firm)

______________________________
(Signature & Title of Official making the Affidavit)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this _____ day of ________________ 20____.

Notary Public (Commissioner of the Superior Court)

My Commission Expires

CERTIFICATE OF CORPORATION

I, ______________, certify that I am the ____________________________, (Official) of the Organization named in the foregoing instrument; that I have been duly authorized to affix the seal of the Organization to such papers as require the seal; that ____________________________, (DBE person, firm, association or organization) who signed said instrument on behalf of the Organization, was then ____________________________, (DBE person, firm, association or organization) of said Organization; that said instrument was duly signed for and in behalf of said Organization by authority of its governing body and is within the scope of its organizational powers.

______________________________
(Signature of Person Certifying)    

(Date)
WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut recognizes that workplace violence is a growing problem that must be addressed; and

WHEREAS, the State is committed to providing its employees a reasonably safe and healthy working environment, free from intimidation, harassment, threats, and/or violent acts; and

WHEREAS, violence or the threat of violence by or against any employee of the State of Connecticut or member of the public in the workplace is unacceptable and will subject the perpetrator to serious disciplinary action up to and including discharge and criminal penalties.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John G. Rowland, Governor of the State of Connecticut, acting by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the statutes of this state, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. That all state agency personnel, contractors, subcontractors, and vendors comply with the following Violence in the Workplace Prevention Policy:

   The State of Connecticut adopts a statewide zero tolerance policy for workplace violence.

   Therefore, except as may be required as a condition of employment —
   ☐ No employee shall bring into any state worksite any weapon or dangerous instrument as defined herein.
   ☐ No employee shall use, attempt to use, or threaten to use any such weapon or dangerous instrument in a state worksite.
   ☐ No employee shall cause or threaten to cause death or physical injury to any individual in a state worksite.

   Weapon means any firearm, including a BB gun, whether loaded or unloaded, any knife (excluding a small pen or pocket knife), including a switchblade or other knife having an automatic spring release device, a stiletto, any police baton or nightstick or any martial arts weapon or electronic defense weapon.

   Dangerous instrument means any instrument, article, or substance that, under the circumstances, is capable of causing death or serious physical injury.

   Violation of the above reasonable work rules shall subject the employee to disciplinary action up to and including discharge.

2. That each agency must prominently post this policy and that all managers and supervisors must clearly communicate this policy to all state employees.
3. That all managers and supervisors are expected to enforce this policy fairly and uniformly.

4. That any employee who feels subjected to or witnesses violent, threatening, harassing, or intimidating behavior in the workplace immediately report the incident or statement to their supervisor, manager, or human resources office.

5. That any employee who believes that there is a serious threat to their safety or the safety of others that requires immediate attention notify proper law enforcement authorities and his or her manager or supervisor.

6. That any manager or supervisor receiving such a report shall immediately contact their human resources office to evaluate, investigate and take appropriate action.

7. That all parties must cooperate fully when questioned regarding violations of this policy.

8. That all parties be advised that any weapon or dangerous instrument at the worksite will be confiscated and that there is no reasonable expectation of privacy with respect to such items in the workplace.

9. That this order applies to all state employees in the executive branch.

10. That each agency will monitor the effective implementation of this policy.

11. That this order shall take effect immediately.

Dated in Hartford, Connecticut this 4th day of August 1999.

[Signature]
John G. Rowland, Governor

Filed this 4th day of August 1999

[Signature]
Stuart Bysiewicz, Secretary of the State
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SERVICES

Agreement No. 6.06-08(03)
GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY
EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE

"I HEREBY CERTIFY: that this agency is exempt pursuant to §12-412(1) of the Connecticut General Statutes, that the tangible personal property described herein which I shall purchase or lease or the service(s) which I shall purchase from:

University of Connecticut, Connecticut Transportation Institute,

Box U-37, Storrs, CT 06269

will be used exclusively by this governmental agency for the purposes for which it is organized and will not be resold. If a sale of meals to this agency is involved, I certify that this agency neither has been nor will be reimbursed in any manner, by donations, sales of tickets or otherwise, by the consumers of the meals for the price of such meals.

Description of property or service(s):

Conduct a research study for NETC Project No. 03-7 entitled, "BasaltFiber Reinforced Polymer Composites."

Purchaser State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation
Name of Agency

By [Signature] Title Manager of Research

Address 2800 Berlin Turnpike, P.O. Box 317546

Newington, Connecticut 06131-7546

Dated September 9, 2003

at Newington, Connecticut

An Equal Opportunity Employer
Proposal for NETC Project No. 03-7,

"Basalt Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composites"
INTERNAL PROPOSAL REVIEW FORM

Submission Date: Receipt
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Other

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR (PI) AND SPONSOR INFORMATION:

**PI Name**: RICHARD PARNAS
**Emp. #**
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Co-Investigator (1 Name)
**Emp. #**
**Co-Investigator 2 Name**
**Emp. #**

**Sponsor**: NETC

**Project Start Date**
**End Date**
**Total Request**: $65,791

**Title**: BASALT FIBER REINFORCED POLYMER COMPOSITES (NETC PROJECT 03-7)

PROJECT INFORMATION:

Please indicate involvement with a check in all appropriate blocks

**Use of Cost Centers and Other UCONN Centers**

- G. Institute of Materials Science
- P. Booth Research Center
- U. Biotechnology Center
- X. Advanced Technology Institute
- Other UCONN Center(s)

**Check if PI is affiliated with a center and the proposed activity is related to that center. More than one center may be ID’d.**

**Special Clearances**

- A. Human Subjects
- B. Animal Subjects
- C. Radioactive Substances
- D. Controlled Substances
- E. Recombinant DNA
- H. Biohazardous Substances

**Other Special Circumstances (Please check appropriate blocks)**

- Yes/No: Financial Conflict of Interest. See http://www.osp.uconn.edu/subcontracts.html for policy details and relevant forms.
- Yes/No: International Activity. See http://www.ia.uconn.edu/proposals.html for details.
- S. Collaborators/Sub-Contractors: If checked, a signed letter of intent to participate in the proposed project must be provided by the Collaborator/Contractor before the proposal can be submitted. Name(s)

INSTITUTIONAL COST SHARE AND OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS:

Detail here any and all commitments made on behalf of any entity of the University listed or described in the budget or described in the proposal narrative.

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**Signature (or initials if signing below):**

APPROVALS: We certify that we have reviewed the attached proposal and find that it is consistent with the policies and mission of the university and the sponsoring agency and that the information is accurate and complete. If funded, we will accept responsibility for the financial plan described, and will manage the project as proposed. Separate signatures required above for cost sharing commitments.

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PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

Project No: NETC Project 03-7  
Project Title: Basalt Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composites  
Principal Investigators:  
Richard S. Parnas, Assoc. Professor, Dept of Chemical Eng., Inst. of Mat. Sci.  
Gregory C. Frantz, Professor, Dept. of Civil Engineering  
(Resumes attached)

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE PROBLEM:

The transportation infrastructure put in place over the past 50 years is in desperate need of maintenance, replacement, and updating. Although fiber reinforced polymer composites have gained widespread acceptance in a number of applications including aerospace, automotive, marine, and sports due to their high performance, lightweight, and reduced lifecycle costs, these materials have not gained widespread acceptance in the transportation infrastructure field due to a lack of confidence in their durability. (1). In addition to high profile applications such as bridge decks, numerous secondary applications including guard-rails, storage buildings, and piping are excellent candidates for replacement with polymer composites.

Polymer composite materials, reinforced with glass and carbon fibers, have been demonstrated in several bridges and other civil infrastructure applications. However, inexpensive glass fibers suffer from low alkaline resistance. Composites reinforced with carbon fiber do not suffer such corrosion problems, but are typically too expensive due to the high cost of carbon fiber. An opportunity exists to maximize the cost effectiveness of composites by using a reinforcing fiber of basalt, which has better properties than glass at the same cost. Corrosion is an expensive problem. For example, structural concrete has been reinforced using steel bars or steel strands. Short steel fibers have also been used, typically, as secondary reinforcement. However, steel is susceptible to corrosion, and damage to concrete from reinforcement corrosion costs between $325 million to $1 billion per year in the United States (2).

Fibers extruded from melted Basalt rock have been demonstrated to possess approximately 30% greater stiffness than typical glass fibers, along with better alkaline resistance and superior interfacial shear strength. Basalt fibers have been known for many years, but never entered the marketplace in the West due to problems with manufacturing quality control. At present, however, a number of producers appear to have solved these problems with modern production methods, and innovative companies in the composites industry are poised to bring this material to the market. Transportation applications could benefit greatly from this fiber due to the long lifetime requirements, cost sensitivity, and stiffness driven structures that dominate many applications.
RESEARCH OBJECTIVES:

We propose to investigate the usage of basalt fibers in low cost composites for civil infrastructure applications requiring excellent mechanical properties and long lifetimes. Basalt fibers have great potential as reinforcement in both polymer materials and in concrete. However, this proposed research will focus on the use of basalt fiber reinforced polymer composites.

A range of basic mechanical tests will evaluate polymer composites reinforced with basalt fibers. A limited number of companion tests will also be done with glass-reinforced composites using the same polymer as the basalt specimens to permit direct comparison between the two reinforcing materials. Subsequent tests will examine effects of environmental exposure on the composite material behavior.

BACKGROUND:

Random glass fibers have been used as main reinforcement in polymers and as secondary reinforcement in concrete (3-6). Bundles of glass fibers in a polymer matrix have been used as reinforcing bars and prestressing strands. Glass has some attractive material properties. It has high tensile strength, from 200 – 400 ksi, and low weight, 1/3 that of steel, providing a good strength/weight ratio (7). It is also very economical. However, the stiffness of glass is only about 40% the stiffness of steel. Glass fibers suffer from poor alkaline resistance and must be protected or must be made from more expensive alkali-resistant glass.

Carbon fibers and carbon bars have also been used (8,9). Unlike glass, carbon is not sensitive to an alkaline environment. Carbon is very strong, up to 400 ksi, lightweight, and has a stiffness comparable to or slightly higher than steel. However, carbon reinforcement is very expensive at roughly $ 10/lb.

Fibers extruded from melted basalt rock have been demonstrated to possess from 15% to 30% greater stiffness than typical glass fibers, along with better alkaline resistance and superior interfacial shear strength (10). They are about 40% stronger than glass fibers. Basalt fibers have been known for many years, but they have been slow to enter

![Figure 1. Recent story in trade magazine indicating the growing interest in Basalt fiber in the USA.](image-url)
the marketplace in the West due to problems with manufacturing quality control. At present, however, a number of producers appear to have solved these problems with modern production methods. Innovative companies in the composites industry are poised to bring this material to the market, as indicated by the story in Composites Technology, illustrated in Figure 1 (11). Transportation applications could benefit greatly from this fiber due to the long lifetime requirements, cost sensitivity, and stiffness driven structures that dominate the applications. Basalt fiber composites may be especially useful in applications where weight is a concern.

Researchers have recently begun to study using basalt fiber reinforced bars as main reinforcement in concrete structural members (12, 13). They evaluated concrete containing short basalt fiber contents varying from 0.1 to 0.5% by volume. They measured fresh concrete properties and performed static flexure tests (ASTM C1018 [14]), compression tests, and impact tests on hardened samples. Fiber content had a significant effect on the post-cracking behavior of the compression and flexure specimens. The basalt fibers increased toughness. Instead of the sudden, brittle failure of plain concrete, the fibers permitted more energy absorption with ductile behavior due to a gradual pullout of the short fibers from the matrix.

They also tested concrete beams reinforced with basalt fiber composite rebar. They concluded there was insufficient anchorage from the bars to the concrete. The measured capacity was only a small fraction of the capacity predicted from the reinforcement strength. The work above was unsuccessful due to insufficient attention to the interaction of concrete with the polymer composite, rather than a deficiency in the basalt fibers.

However, in addition to using basalt fiber-reinforced polymer as prestressing strands or bar reinforcement in concrete, there are many other potential applications for polymer composites as standalone materials. Such applications include guide rails, maintenance buildings, posts and supports, and primary structural beams. Currently, small bridges have been built with both glass and carbon reinforced composites, demonstrating savings in installation times, and predicting savings in lifecycle costs (15, 16). Also, the widespread usage of composites demonstrates that desirable mechanical properties are available for short-term usage. Moreover, the widespread use of fiberglass boat hulls for many years demonstrates that glass can even be used in corrosive environments for long periods if extensively maintained. Recently, a glass-reinforced vinylester composite was commercialized for carrying highly corrosive fluids in underground pipelines (17). That product contained fiber optic sensors to detect leaks and boost confidence in the long-term performance.

An enormous literature exists on the mechanical properties of glass and carbon reinforced polymer composites, and much is summarized in well known texts such as Schwartz (18) and Nielsen and Landel (19). Much less is available on basalt fiber reinforced polymers, although some commercial literature has started to appear. For example, on their web site, http://www.sudaglass.com, Sudaglass Fiber Technology, Inc., advertises basalt fiber products, including geo mesh, mat felt, fiber strands, fabrics, roving, and reinforcing bars. The following table, also from the Sudaglass web site, compares basic properties of basalt and glass fibers.
Table 1: Comparative Technical Characteristics of Filament Made From E-Glass, Basalt and Silica

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While Table 1 indicates that Basalt fibers provide improved properties over glass fibers, the potential of basalt fiber reinforced composites is more clearly noted below in Table 2.

Table 2. Comparison of composite laminates in the Albarrie Ltd. Product literature.

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The improvement in strength and stiffness seen in the basalt fiber composite, compared to the glass fiber composite, is remarkable. Note the stiffness of the basalt reinforced composite is twice the stiffness of the glass reinforced composite, even though the stiffness of the basalt fiber is only 15% greater than the glass fiber. Also, the strength of the basalt composite is more than twice the strength of the glass composite even though the strength of the basalt fiber is only 40% greater than the glass fiber. Although remarkable, such results are possible if other factors such as interfacial adhesion are improved so that the composite uses the fiber properties more efficiently (20, 21). Unfortunately, such results can also be misleading if the comparisons were performed with reinforcements having considerably different architectures.

The yarn architecture in a composite is a critical component of the structure-property relationship. For example, yarn architecture with undulating yarns, as in a plain weave structure (Figure 2a), typically has lower stiffness and higher toughness than a satin weave containing long straight segments of yarn (22).

![Figure 2](image)

**Figure 2. Typical yarn architectures in composites.** A) Plain-woven structure in perfect registry, as idealized by the WiseTex textile modeling software (23), B) realistic plain woven structure as imaged with X-ray μCT (24).

The stiffness is not terribly sensitive to the 3D arrangement of stacked layers in the material, but the ultimate strength is quite sensitive due to the creation of stress concentrations. Thus, the structures in Figures 2a and 2b are expected to have similar stiffness values, but may have quite different ultimate strengths. This additional sensitivity to layer nesting and registration of flaw dominated properties like strength typically leads to experimental results in which strength measurements exhibit much larger scatter than do stiffness measurements.

Thus, while the results in Table 2 appear plausible, they need to be validated with carefully designed and fabricated samples, subjected to identical testing conditions.
METHODOLOGY OF THE RESEARCH:

We anticipate performing most of the proposed experimental research in 12 months. Although durability testing will extend over a longer time, much of the durability work can be done in parallel with the other testing. The last several months of the program will focus on the Technology Transfer Strategy and obtaining durability data.

This project is a collaboration between Richard S. Parnas of the Institute of Materials Science and Gregory C. Frantz of the Department of Civil Engineering at the University of Connecticut. Work in the Institute of Materials Science will produce the composite materials, provide environmental exposure, and perform some of the mechanical testing. Work in Civil Engineering will perform most of the mechanical tests and prepare the test specimens using the fabricated, and environmentally exposed composite materials.

To most productively use the available time, considering the large number of test variables, a partial factorial design of experiments will be used to construct the test matrix. The only experimental work planned for the second 12-month period is the durability testing at the end of the program to obtain the longest time data possible within the contract.

Task 1 – Literature Review

A thorough literature search will be performed at the beginning of this project to insure that experiments and final choice of materials are accomplished as expediently as possible.

Task 2 – Fabrication of Composite Materials

Woven broadgoods of glass and Basalt, as nearly as identical as possible, will be obtained. AlBarrie Ltd (Canada) has agreed to supply Basalt wovens free of charge in support of the project (see attached letter with fabric sample), and many sources of woven glass exist. The fabrics supplied will have commercial sizings on the fibers to promote adhesion with the resin systems. Although carbon reinforced composites would also be interesting to test, the expense of carbon fiber places such composites outside the usable window in realistic large scale applications. Carbon reinforced composites have been used in a number of notable demonstration projects, and extensive literature exists on their properties that permit approximate comparisons with the measurements described below on basalt and glass materials. However, the test matrix is so large that we believe it prudent to refrain from testing carbon in order to more fully test the basalt.

Two polymers, most appropriate for outdoor usage in transportation applications will be chosen. At this time, reasonable choices appear to be vinyl esters and toughened epoxies, but verification of these choices will be accomplished before samples are prepared. Dow Chemical (Derakane vinylesters and several epoxies) typically provides small quantities of resins for sample preparation in research projects.

Flat plates of basalt reinforced and glass reinforced polymers will be prepared by press molding, of sufficient size to provide approved test specimens for a variety of
standardized tests. Although manufactured composites with both glass and basalt (very recent development) fibers are available, we feel it necessary to prepare our own samples to insure the fairest possible comparison. In this manner, we can insure that comparisons are made between materials with identical fiber volume fraction and identical processing conditions, and as nearly as possible identical fiber architectures. Moreover, for the durability testing, we will have an accurate time line since the time of origin of the material will be accurately known.

Nondestructive evaluation will verify successful fabrication of samples before mechanical testing. Both standard techniques such as X-ray micro CT will be used as well as experimental techniques such as optical coherence tomography. X-ray micro CT will be performed at either the Army Research Lab in Aberdeen, MD or at the KU Leuven in Leuven, Belgium. OCT will be performed on the newly installed instrument in the PI’s laboratory. Preliminary work indicates that X-ray CT is more sensitive to yarn architecture while OCT is more sensitive to small scale defects like voids and closed cracks (25). Destructive evaluation with standardized tests such as ASTM D 3171-99 (fiber content) and D 2734-94 (void content) after mechanical testing will further verify the quality of fabricated samples.

Task 3 – Short-Term Mechanical Tests on Virgin Samples

Tension and compression stress – strain curves will be measured via standardized tests such as ASTM D 3039 and D 5766, and their variants, to provide elastic moduli, yield stress, ultimate strength, strain to failure, as well as a preliminary assessment of toughness (area under the curve, shape of curve).

Flexural and shear tests will be measured with standardized tests such as ASTM D 2344, D 3518, D 5379, and their variants, to provide bending stiffness and strength, as well as shear stiffness and strength.

An important set of properties for long term applications are the residual properties after impact. Although time will not permit a complete set of measurements of residual properties, we will try to assess residual strength after impact in a few samples if time permits.

Task 4 – Fatigue Mechanical Tests

Low cycle and high cycle fatigue tests will be done via standardized tests such as ASTM D 3479 to begin the assessment of durability. An important extension of the standard test will be included. In a few samples, the accumulation of damage will be assessed by OCT after each decade of cycling is completed, with the goal of improving our predictive ability for failure lifetime after field inspection. In addition, during the set-up for fatigue testing, various testing frequencies will be used to determine the resonance frequencies of the material so we can estimate the complex modulus of the material, an important indicator of its damping properties.

Task 5 – Environmental Conditioning

The major focus of this work is the durability of the composite to environmental exposure. For this type of testing, a very long time frame would be advantageous. Two
factors can be used to provide useful data in the time frame of this project. First, samples will be fabricated as soon as possible and environmental exposure will commence at the earliest possible moment. Second, an accelerated testing regime will be imposed on half the exposed samples in an attempt to simulate several years of exposure within the time frame of the project.

The factors we would like to consider for environmental exposure are time, temperature, moisture, salinity, and UV radiation. Temperature will be used to accelerate the testing, but this must be done with care so as not to alter the degradation mechanisms and generate erroneous results. Due to the high cost of a controlled humidity exposure chamber, moisture exposure will be accomplished by immersing samples in liquid water of various salinities. The size of the test matrix illustrated below under Task 6 dictates a reduction in the number of experiments performed. Therefore, UV radiation exposure cannot be performed in the context of this project, and exposure regimes will consist of time, temperature, moisture, and salinity.

Note mechanical tests will all be conducted at room temperature since the dependence of the standard mechanical properties of polymers and composites on temperature are very well known and documented, rendering such tests in this limited program unnecessary (see for example Nielsen and Landel, 1994). Therefore, samples that are exposed to elevated temperature during environmental exposure will be tested at ambient temperature for comparison to other samples not subjected to elevated temperature.

There are many factors influencing the choice of elevated temperature for environmental exposure. For example, the elevated temperature should be well below the glass transition temperature of the polymers to avoid changes in molecular structure. Also, the elevated temperature should not be so high as to drastically increase the chemical activity of water, thereby changing the reaction order of degradation reactions. A number of other factors will also be considered in the literature review of Task 1.

Task 6 - Short-Term Mechanical Tests on Conditioned Samples

There are many tests that would be advantageous to perform, but the testing matrix becomes very large in that case. We would like samples subjected to the exposure regimes to be tested in tension, compression, bending, and fatigue. However, a smaller subset of exposure regimes and tests are dictated by the scope of the project as illustrated below. To understand the necessary choices required at this point, we summarize the test matrices below.

Two test matrices will be formulated, one for tests conducted on newly fabricated material, and another for tests conducted on material after environmental exposure. The matrix for tests on new material will be formulated from the following table.
Table 3. Test matrix for newly manufactured composite materials

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This test matrix contains 36 open boxes, leading to a testing regime of at least 200 tests if proper repetition procedures are followed and all tests are conducted.

Note that a third and fourth dimension are added to the testing matrix for environmentally exposed samples. In addition to the composite type and the mechanical test performed, the durability results are also expected to depend on the exposure regime and the time of exposure. Therefore, the 4 axes of a full test matrix for durability are the mechanical test, composite type, exposure regime, and time as summarized in Table 4.

Table 4. Test matrix axes for Environmentally Exposed samples

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This matrix consists of $8 \times 4 \times 4 \times 6 = 768$ open boxes, requiring approximately 4000 tests if repetitions are included and the complete matrix is tested. Clearly, this cannot be accomplished in this small program. Therefore, we propose to eliminate the UV exposure regime, eliminate all durability testing on the glass/epoxy composite, and perform only tension tests on the specimens. For this smaller matrix, $6 \times 3 \times 1 \times 6 = 108$ open boxes exist in the matrix, requiring roughly 500 tests.
In total, about 700 tests would be required to complete the matrix of table 3 and the reduced matrix of table 4. This still large number of tests can be further reduced by applying a partial factorial design of experiments procedure.

We anticipate that, after statistical analysis and factorization of the test matrix, approximately 350 tests will be conducted in this program, with about 100 tests conducted on the newly fabricated material and 250 tests conducted at various times on material exposed to the several exposure regimes discussed above.

**Task 7 - Prepare Final Report**

The final report will be prepared in two stages. First a draft will be circulated to NETC for a 90 day comment period. During this period of time, the final report will be prepared including comments on the draft. As part of this 90 day comment period, we will plan a small workshop to encourage technology transfer.

The workshop will bring together at least the NETC members and participating research staff. In addition, invited federal agency staff, industrial suppliers of basalt fiber, and interested academic researchers from other universities could be included to enhance the exchange of information and maximize exposure of this work. To maximize exposure of the planned work, it may be most advantageous to hold the workshop within a larger meeting on transportation infrastructure or civil engineering materials. This project will be used to seed additional proposals to other governmental agencies including the federal highways administration. We hope this project will provide the preliminary data necessary to support more extensive research into durability, lifetime prediction, processing, and the economics of basalt reinforced polymers.

**SUMMARY:**

We anticipate that the higher stiffness and strength of basalt, relative to glass, will translate directly into improved performance in tension, compression and flexural properties. Other properties may also be improved since preliminary evidence indicates excellent interfacial adhesion of various polymers to basalt as well as improved stability in saline of basalt compared to glass.

In this program, approximately 350 tests will be conducted on basalt reinforced and glass reinforced polymers, under various loading and environmental exposure conditions. The results of these tests will allow NETC to determine if basalt fiber reinforced composites are a viable material for use in the transportation infrastructure. However, it must be noted that this limited program cannot answer all the questions concerning basalt composites, but our goal is to provide the evidence on which to build a sustainable program for the development of polymer composites.
REFERENCES:


**TIME LINE FOR MAJOR TASKS:**

The chart below shows the expected time that will be devoted to each task. In addition to this schedule for the major project tasks, the following items are also scheduled:

1. Quarterly progress reports submitted to NETC Coordinator
2. Draft Final Report to be submitted in Month 20, allowing 90 days for review of the Draft Final Report by NETC
3. Copies of Final Report to be submitted in Month 24

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Task 3 – Short-Term Mechanical Tests on Virgin Samples
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NETC 03-7 BASALT FIBER REINFORCED POLYMER COMPOSITES

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IMS BUDGETARY CERTIFICATION

The Institute of Materials Science (IMS) has been designated a separate Cost Center at the University of Connecticut in compliance with the DHHS Cognizant Audit Agency, effective 1 January 1975.

IMS provides facility space, research equipment and supporting shop facilities and operating personnel for its research equipment. All the cost elements, standardized for a Center such as IMS, have been included in determining applicable equipment and service use rates which serve to recover part of the cost of carrying out the proposed research program. The Cost Center, therefore, is exempted from the Indirect Cost Calculation in the Proposed Budget.

This budget includes support for 1 graduate student for 1 year, and 1 undergraduate student(s) for 2 years supplied by IMS, to operate the IMS Facilities, which will be used in this research.

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...usage of facilities represents the best estimate at this time. IMS reserves the right to change the number of total hours for any specific facility and to add or delete individual facilities, as the number of the research requires, without exceeding the total dollar amount budgeted. Since hourly rates are recalculated quarterly, small variations in the above may occur. Additional use of IMS facilities, in excess of the above total, will be provided at no cost to the project as part of the University's cost.

Date: 2/11/03

Harris Marquis, Director
Institute of Materials Science

Rev. Feb-03
FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT:

UConn Civil Engineering Laboratory Facilities

The Department has a Structural Testing Laboratory. The main component of this lab is a 4 ft. thick, 40 ft. x 65 ft. strong floor with a 4 ft. x 4 ft. grid of 120 kip capacity anchors and with 20 ft. of headroom. A traveling overhead crane with lift capacities of 5 tons and 25 tons services the strong floor. A large overhead door provides immediate access to the strong floor from the outside. The laboratory can load test full size structural components up to 65 ft. long and weighing up to 50,000 lb as well as complex, large-scale structural systems. An MTS Test-Star computer controlled hydraulic loading system provides user definable testing functions and can be controlled either by load or by displacement and provide hydraulic fluid at pressures of 3000 psi at 30 gpm flow rate. An HBM computer controlled data acquisition system, with a sampling rate of 500 measurements/sec, records test data from strain gages, load cells, and displacement transducers. Other structural testing equipment includes two 400,000 lb. and 60,000 lb. capacity universal testing machines as well as an assortment of hydraulic actuators.

Support facilities include a fully equipped machine shop on the same ground floor as these labs.

UConn Institute of Material Science Laboratory Facilities

The institute contains roughly 30 million dollars of equipment devoted to materials science and engineering. This equipment includes a full testing laboratory for examining the static and dynamic properties of lab scale samples of polymers and composites, with particular instruments such as Instron 1350 (10 Kip), Instron 1350 (5 Kip), Instron 5869 table top, MTS 810 (20 Kip), TA dynamic mechanical, cyclic loading, ARES controlled strain, PAAR controlled stress, and numerous others. A variety of testing ovens are available for controlled temperature exposures over long periods of time. In support of the mechanical testing equipment, full microscopy facilities include JEOL FasTEM, JEOL FESEM, ESEM, and numerous optical instruments.

Processing facilities include a fully equipped polymer synthesis lab, machine shops for constructing specialized molds and platens, heated presses, temperature programmed furnaces, and NDE equipment such as spectrometers and optical coherence tomography. All of these facilities are fully computer interfaced to permit high quality data acquisition, data transport, and analysis on a variety of computer platforms ranging from an office PC to SGI Octane workstations to Beowulf supercomputer clusters.
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EDUCATION
1990 PhD in Chemical Engineering, University of California, Los Angeles, CA,
1984 MS in Chemical Engineering, University of California, Los Angeles, CA,
1980 BS in Chemical Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA,

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
2001 – Present Associate Professor of Chemical Engineering
2000 – 2001 Guest Professor, MTM Dept, Katholieke Universiteit, Belgium
1996 – 2000 Composites Group Leader, Polymers Division, NIST
1990 – 1996 Chemical Engineer, Polymers Division, NIST
1985 – 1989 Research Assistant, UCLA
1984 – 1985 Chemical Engineer, SRI International
1982 – 1984 Research Assistant, UCLA
1980 – 1982 Project Engineer, Exxon Research & Engineering

HONORS AND AWARDS
Fulbright Scholar, 2000.
Society of Plastics Engineers, ANTEC Meeting, Best Paper, 1998
Society of Plastics Engineers, ANTEC Meeting, Best Paper, 1995
Department of Commerce, NIST Bronze Medal, 1993
RAND - UCLA Fellowship, 1987 and 1988
UCLA Distinguished Scholar Scholarship, 1987
Fannie and John Hertz Fellowship, 1986

EDITING & REVIEWING
Editorial Review Board, Polymer Composites, 1996-98
Regular Reviewer for Composites, Composites Science & Technology, Polymer Composites,
J. Colloid & Interface Sci., Langmuir, Macromolecules

MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS
American Institute of Chemical Engineers
American Association for the Advancement of Science
Society of Plastics Engineers

RECENT PUBLICATIONS


RECENT INVITED TALKS


Comparison of Imaging Results and Image Analysis for Microstructure and Damage Analysis in Composites, General Electric Corporate R&D, Schenectady, NY, November 12, 2002.

Controlling the liquid moulding process by noticing the 3-D fibre architecture, Symposium on The Past, Present and Future of Polymer Composites, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven, Belgium, 6 – 7 November, 2002.

Length Scales in Heterogeneous Media, Olin Materials Research Laboratory, New Haven, CT, July 9, 2002.

Composites Manufacturing at Many Length Scales, Army Research Laboratory, Aberdeen, MD, April 18, 2002.


Several Length Scales Important for Composites Manufacturing, EPFL, Lausanne Switzerland, June 1, 2001.

An Introduction to the Many Length Scales that Impact Composites Manufacturing. A series of 3 lectures given at Katholieke Universiteit, April 2001
Sensors and Imaging in Composites, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, April, 2000.

Processing for Microstructural Control in Polymer Composites, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, March, 2000.


CURRENT RESEARCH FUNDING
Proposal to measure fuel cell membrane operation with fiber optic sensors, Army Research Office through the UCONN Fuel Cell Center, $ 75,000.

Statistical Distribution of the Permeability Tensor via High-Throughput Techniques, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, $97,772.

NSF REU Center in Chemical Engineering, participant, NSF grant number EEC-0139170, $500,000.

COURSES TAUGHT
Cheg 201. Introduction to Chemical Engineering (undergraduate)
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Education:
B.S.C.E. 1969 Lehigh University
M.S.C.E. 1970 University of Texas at Austin
Ph.D. 1978 University of Texas at Austin

Experience:
1971-74 U.S. Navy (Seabees)
1978 - Ass’t, Assoc., Full Professor of Civil Engrg, University of Connecticut
1985 Visiting Professor, Imperial College, London
2001 Visiting Senior Bridge Engineer, URS-Greiner Corp., Spring 2001, while on sabbatical leave
2000 - Senior Bridge Engineer, URS-Greiner Corp., full-time during summers, 1-day per week during academic year

Professional Societies:
American Concrete Institute; Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute; Chi Epsilon; Phi Kappa Phi; Sigma Xi

Professional Engineer: Connecticut

Field of Specialization: Structural Engineering

Research Interests:
Reinforced and Prestressed Concrete; Bridge Design; High Performance Concrete; Concrete Durability; Reinforcement Corrosion

Courses Taught:
Reinforced and Prestressed Concrete Design (Undergrad and Grad level); Structural Steel Design; Bridge Design; Concrete Materials Laboratory

Representative Consulting:
URS-Greiner Corp. – design of bridges and substructures
RisCassi and Davis, P.C. – expert witness about cement burns
Aquadro and Cerruti, Inc. - analysis of cracking of swimming pool
Connecticut Department of Transportation - analysis of bridge piers
Lenard Engineering, Inc. - design of underground concrete tank
Conyers Construction Co. - design of a new type of retaining wall
Eljen Corporation - structural testing of in-drains

Publications (since 1995):


Presentations (since 1995):

Li, S., Frantz, G.C., and Stephens, J.E. 1995. "Application of Pull-Off Test to Assess the Durability of Bond between New and Old Concrete Subjected to Deicer Salts", presented at American Concrete Institute Fall Convention, Montreal, Canada, Nov. 9, 1995.

Research Funding Received (since 1995):

"Bridge Design (Sabbatical Leave)," $1,000, 1/01-6/01, UConn Research Foundation

“Protection of Reinforcement with Corrosion Inhibitors, Phase II,” 6/98-6/00, $32,565, funded by the Connecticut Department of Transportation

“Protection of Reinforcement with Corrosion Inhibitors, Phase I,” 6/96-8/98, $120,591, funded by the Connecticut Department of Transportation

"Durability of Concrete Repair Materials," 7/92-6/97, $114,603, funded by the Connecticut Department of Transportation.

“Mechanical Properties of ENCAP - Research and Development,” 2/13/96 - 12/31/96, $58,122, Critical Technology Program, Environmental Research Institute, University of Connecticut.

"Fatigue Tests of 27 Year Old Prestressed Concrete Bridge Beams", 7/93-12/95, $47,177, funded by the Connecticut Department of Transportation.

Student Research Theses Supervised (since 1995)

M.S. 2000 Goodwin, P Corrosion Inhibitors in Concrete
M.S. 1998 Allyn, M. Corrosion Inhibitors in Concrete
Ph.D.1997 Li, S Durability of High Performance Concretes
M.S. 1997 Weidler, M. Properties of Cement Based Lead Encapsulation Material
M.S. 1995 Rao, C. Fatigue Behavior of Prestressed Concrete Bridge Beams

Summary of Teaching

Teaching Award 1996 Received C. R. Klewin Excellence in Teaching Award

Courses Taught

Undergraduate Courses

ENGR 150 Intro. to Engineering - Computer programming, technical drawing
CE 211 Applied Mechanics I - Statics
CE 222 Civil Engineering Materials - with lab - Study of concrete, steel, timber
CE 236 Basic Structural Design - with lab - Structural design with concrete and steel
CE 238 Reinforced Concrete Structures - Advanced structural design with concrete
CE 239 Design of Steel Structures - Advanced structural design with steel
CE 280 Civil Engineering Projects - Capstone senior design project course
CE 291 Civil & Env. Engrg Professional Issues Seminar - Issues in practice of Civil & Environmental Engineering

Graduate Courses

CE 352 Bridge Design - Design of bridges in concrete and steel
CE 354 Prestressed Concrete Structures - Critical study of prestressed concrete
CE 355 Advanced Reinforced Concrete - Critical study of reinforced concrete
CE 364 Ductility in Reinforced Concrete - Design for ductility and seismic
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Mr. Richard Parnas
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Dear Mr. Parnas;

RE: Basalt Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composites Research Proposal

Thank you for providing information on your proposed investigation of the usage of Basalt fibers in low-cost composites for civil infrastructure applications.

Albarrie Canada is the North American distributor of continuous fiber Basalt produced in the Ukraine. Basalt Continuous Fiber has unique mechanical and chemical properties. As such we feel it would be ideally suited for civil infrastructure applications and are eager to learn more about Basalt's properties/benefits in this application.

We are interested in participating in your research and would be happy to provide you with samples of our Basalt product in return for copies of the test results and reports. Albarrie is willing to donate a 50 meter roll (1.75 metres wide) of the woven Basalt fabric (750g/m²) to assist you in your research. The fabric is valued at $US 843.00 + $US 120 freight.

Thank you for your interest. We look forward to working with you.

Kind Regards,

Lorie Desroches
Market Development Manager
Albarrie Canada Ltd.

cc: Reginald Driscoll, President
    Peter Kuziw, Director of Development