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The Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee Releases New Agreement Between Engineer and Engineer’s Subcontractor

ALEXANDRIA, Va., November 15, 2011—The Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee (EJCDC®) today released a new contract document for use by engineering firms in subcontracting non-professional services.

The new contract, EJCDC® E-562, Agreement Between Engineer and Engineer’s Subcontractor, is intended to be used by engineering firms to subcontract a broad spectrum of general services, such as laboratory work, data management, site support, drafting/CAD technical services, incidental fabrication and construction, cost reviews, and recordkeeping. Engineers may also use EJCDC® E-562 as a stand-alone contract for retaining assistance with such tasks in situations where the scope of work is not associated with a specific prime agreement. The new E-562 document complements the existing EJCDC® subagreements that engineers should continue to use to delegate professional services: EJCDC® E-570 (Agreement Between Engineer and Consultant for Professional Services), and its companion subagreements E-560 (Engineer–Land Surveyor), E-564 (Engineer–Geotechnical Engineer), and E-568 (Engineer–Architect).

EJCDC® E-562 addresses the key issues in subcontracting, including payment, insurance, schedule, warranty, safety, flow-down of prime agreement terms, and termination. Although suitable for incidental construction (for example, construction of access stairs and ramps in connection with providing a job trailer for the engineer’s staff at the site), EJCDC® recommends that standard construction or design-build contract documents be used for more substantial construction projects. See EJCDC®’s Construction Series and Design-Build Series standard documents.

EJCDC® documents are specifically written for public and private infrastructure and engineered facilities projects in the United States. The documents can readily be customized to suit each project’s unique goals and regulatory requirements.
Since 1975, EJCDC® has developed and updated fair and objective standard documents that represent the latest and best thinking in contractual relations between all parties involved in engineering design and construction projects.

EJCDC® is a joint venture of four major organizations of professional engineers and contractors. EJCDC®’s sponsoring organizations—the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), the Associated General Contractors of America (AGC), the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE), and the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC)—offer EJCDC® documents on their online stores at a discount to organization members. EJCDC® documents may also be purchased at www.ejcdc.org.

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