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## The Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee Releases the 2018 edition of the EJCDC® Construction Family Documents

ALEXANDRIA, Va., September 28, 2018— The Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee (EJCDC®) today released the 2018 edition of the *EJCDC® Construction Family of Documents*. EJCDC documents are the first choice, and most user friendly, among standard documents for infrastructure and public works construction in the United States.

The EJCDC® Construction Family of Documents (C-Series) is intended for use on engineered construction projects in which the owner retains an engineering firm to prepare drawings and specifications, then separately engages a construction contractor to perform the work. The C-Series assumes the design Engineer is involved during construction.

The updated edition (2018) released today comprises 25 integrated documents that coordinate with other EJCDC families of documents. The 2018 Construction Series includes:

- Fundamental contract documents such as the *Standard General Conditions*, the *Small Project* agreement, and *Supplementary Conditions*;
- Forms for gathering information needed to draft bidding documents;
- Instructions to bidders and a standard bid form;
- Bonds including bid, performance, warranty (new for 2018) and payment bonds;
- Administrative forms, such as change order and a certificate of substantial completion.

*EJCDC C-700 Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract*, which is the keystone of the Construction Series family of documents, received the most updates for 2018 including new definitions for Electronic Documents. Updates were made to all 25 documents released today to reflect current business practices, including:

- Expansion and updating of "Notes to Users" on the 2018 documents provide specific instructions for selecting specific paragraphs from alternates, and information to include in the specified paragraph. Bracketed information provides guidance for editing the document
- "Guidelines for Use" have been added to provide additional guidance for specific topics and paragraphs.
- All the documents have been reformatted to present a more uniform look.
- All signature blocks have been standardized.
- The need for notary and corporate seals has been eliminated.

Other updates to the documents are detailed in the <a href="">Summary of Changes</a>.

Since 1975, EJCDC has developed and updated fair and objective standard documents that represent the latest and best thinking in contractual relations for engineering design and construction projects. EJCDC documents are prepared by a committee of project stakeholders that include owners, contractors, funding entities, attorneys, professional liability insurers, and sureties. EJCDC documents represent and distribute risk fairly and equitably among all parties to engineer-led construction projects.

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. Downloaded in MSWord format, EJCDC documents are easily modified to conform to the unique goals and regulatory requirements of each project.

The Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee (EJCDC®) is a joint venture of major organizations of professional engineers:

- the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE);
- the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE); and
- the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC).

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