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The Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee Releases the 2020 edition of the EJCDC® E-570, Agreement Between Engineer and Subconsultant for Professional Services

ALEXANDRIA, Va., April xx, 2020 — The Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee (EJCDC®) today released 2020 edition of the *EJCDC® E-570*, *Agreement Between Engineer and Subconsultant for Professional Services*. The 2020 edition of E-570 is closely coordinated with the recently published 2020 edition of *EJCDC® E-500*, *Agreement Between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services*.

EJCDC® *E-570*, *Agreement between Engineer and Subconsultant for Professional Services*, is intended for use by an engineering firm ("Engineer") to delegate a portion of its project design or other professional services to another engineering firm ("Subconsultant").

E-570 is suited best to projects in which the prime agreement between Engineer and Owner is based on *EJCDC® E-500*, *Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services*, or on one of the other EJCDC Owner-Engineer agreement forms. As with past editions of E-570, the contents and structure of the document are closely coordinated with E-500. The two documents use consistent terminology and wording whenever possible. Despite this strong linkage, E-570 can be used as an Engineer-Subconsultant agreement when the prime agreement is not E-500 or another EJCDC document.

As with the 2020 edition of EJCDC E-500, the 2020 edition of E-570 is packaged and downloaded, upon purchase, in two parts as two separate MSWord files: (1) the Main Agreement and (2) the Exhibits A through J. The Main Agreement and the Exhibits have somewhat different formatting foundations. Splitting them into two files allowed EJCDC to tighten the underlying formatting in each part, making revisions and supplementations by the user easier. Both files contain integral building blocks of an Engineer-Subconsultant contract.

To ensure consistency for Engineer and Subconsultant, the 2020 edition of E-570 expressly emphasizes that the prime agreement sets the rules for ownership, copyright, and use of the design documents that Subconsultant prepares and furnishes to Engineer.

In addition to the general reorganization of E-570, the most significant changes in content were made to Exhibit A, Subconsultant's Services, closely following the updates made to the scope of services in E-500.

Other updates include:

- A new consolidated schedule form for deliverables exhibit.
- Update and relocation of payment exhibit offering the user six standard compensation methods.
- The cost limit exhibit has been eliminated.
- Electronic documents protocol has been added.

A detailed Summary of Changes to the 2020 edition of E-570 is available on the Press Releases web page.

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. They are written with the intention to 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.

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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