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1. **Definitions.** The definitions of Appendix A of the Watershed Management Ordinance are incorporated into this Watershed Management Permit by reference. Additionally, the following words and phrases shall be defined as follows:

- a) **Building and Occupancy Permit.** Building and Occupancy Permit issued by the Municipality.
- b) **Design Engineer.** A Professional Engineer who prepares plans and specifications for the project, and signs the Watershed Management Permit Application.
- c) **Inspection Engineer.** A Professional Engineer who inspects the development to ensure compliance with the design plans, specifications, a Watershed Management Permit, and the Watershed Management Ordinance.
- d) **Permit.** Watershed Management Permit.
- e) **General Conditions.** General Conditions contained in a Watershed Management Permit.
- f) **Special Conditions.** Special Conditions of this Watershed Management Permit.

2. **Adequacy of Design.** The schedules, plans, specifications and all other data and documents submitted for this Permit are made a part hereof. The Permit shall not relieve the Design Engineer of the sole responsibility for the adequacy of the design. The issuance of this Permit shall not be construed as approval of the concept or construction details of the proposed facilities and shall not absolve the Permittee, Co-Permittee or Design Engineer of their respective responsibilities.

3. **Joint Construction and Operation Permits.** Unless otherwise stated by the Special Conditions, the issuance of this Permit shall be a joint construction and operation permit, provided that the Permittee or Co-Permittee has complied with all General and Special Conditions.

4. **Allowable Discharges.** Discharges into the Sanitary Sewer system constructed under this Permit shall consist of sanitary Sewage only. Unless otherwise stated by the Special Conditions, there shall be no discharge of industrial wastes under this Permit. Stormwater shall not be permitted to enter the Sanitary Sewer system. Without limiting the general prohibition of the previous sentence, roof and footing drains shall not be connected to the Sanitary Sewer system.

5. **Construction Inspection.** All erosion and sediment control facilities, Stormwater Facilities, Detention Facilities, and Qualified Sewer Construction shall be inspected and approved by an Inspection Engineer acting on behalf of the Permittee or the Owner of the

project, or by a duly authorized and competent representative of the Inspection Engineer. No sewer trenches shall be backfilled except as authorized by the Inspection Engineer after having inspected and approved the sewer installation.

6. **Maintenance.** Stormwater Facilities, Detention Facilities, Qualified Sewer Construction, Sanitary Sewer lines, Combined Sewer lines, systems or facilities constructed hereunder or serving the facilities constructed hereunder shall be properly maintained and operated at all times in accordance with all applicable requirements. It is understood that the responsibility for maintenance shall run as a joint and several obligation against the Permittee, the Co-Permittee, the property served, the Owner and the operator of the facilities, and said responsibility shall not be discharged nor in any way affected by change of ownership of said property, unless the District has authorized assignment of the permit.

7. **Indemnification.** The Permittee shall be solely responsible for and shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (“District”, “MWRD”, or “MWRDGC”) and its Commissioners, officers, employees, servants, and agents from liabilities of every kind, including losses, damages and reasonable costs, payments and expenses (such as, but not limited to, court costs and reasonable attorneys’ fees and disbursements), claims, demands, actions, suits, proceedings, judgments or settlements, any or all of which are asserted by any individual, private entity, or public entity against the District and its Commissioners, officers, employees, servants, or agents and arise out of or are in any way related to the issuance of this Permit. Without limiting the generality of the preceding sentence, the provisions of this paragraph shall extend to indemnify and hold harmless the District and its Commissioners, officers, employees, servants, and agents from any claims or damages arising out of or in connection with the termination or revocation of this Permit.

The Permittee shall be solely responsible for and shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless an Authorized Municipality and its elected officials, officers, employees, servants, and agents from liabilities of every kind, including losses, damages and reasonable costs, payments and expenses (such as, but not limited to, court costs and reasonable attorneys’ fees and disbursements), claims, demands, actions, suits, proceedings, judgments or settlements, any or all of which are asserted by any individual, private entity, or public entity against the Authorized Municipality and its elected officials, officers, employees, servants, or agents and arise out of or are in any way related to the issuance of this Permit. Without limiting the generality

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of the preceding sentence, the provisions of this paragraph shall extend to indemnify and hold harmless the Authorized Municipality and its elected officials, officers, employees, servants, and agents from any claims or damages arising out of or in connection with the termination or revocation of this Permit.

8. **Sewer Construction by District.** Permittee understands and acknowledges that the District has the right and power to construct and extend sewer service facilities and render such services within the area to be served by the project for which this Permit is issued, and that by the District constructing and extending such sewer service facilities and rendering such services, the facilities constructed by the Permittee under this Permit may decrease in value, become useless or of no value whatsoever, the Permittee may also sustain a loss of business, income and profits.

Therefore, by accepting this Permit and acting thereon, the Permittee, for itself, its successors and assigns, does remise, release and forever discharge the District and its Commissioners, officers, employees, servants, and agents of any and all claims whatsoever which Permittee may now have or hereafter acquire and which Permittee's successors and assigns hereafter can, shall, or may have against the District and its Commissioners, officers, employees, servants, and agents for all losses and damages, either direct or indirect, claimed to have been incurred by reason of the construction or extension at any time hereafter by the District of sewer service facilities in the service area contemplated by this Permit, the rendering of such services, which District facilities and services decrease the value of the facilities constructed by the Permittee under this Permit, make same useless or of no value whatsoever, including but not limited to, any and all damages arising under 70 ILCS 2605/19; the taking of private property for public use without due compensation; the interference with the contracts of Permittee; the interference with Permittee's use and enjoyment of its land; and the decrease in value of Permittee's land.

9. **Third Parties.** Regarding Qualified Sewer Construction, this Permit does not grant the right or authority to the Permittee: (a) to construct or encroach upon any lands of the District or of any other parties, (b) to construct outside of the territorial boundaries of the District except as allowed under an extraterritorial service agreement, (c) to construct or encroach upon the territorial boundaries of any units of local government within the District, (d) to connect to or discharge into or be served by (directly or indirectly) any sewer or sewer system owned or operated by third parties.

10. **Costs.** It is expressly stipulated and clearly understood that the Stormwater Facilities, Detention Facilities, Qualified Sewer Construction, or facilities for which the Permit is issued shall be constructed, operated and maintained at no cost to the District.
11. **Other Sewer Construction.** The District reserves the right, privilege and authority to permit others to reconstruct, change, alter and replace all sewers and appurtenances thereto at the point of connection of any sewerage system to a District interceptor and/or in public right-of-ways of District easements, and to introduce additional Sewage flow through this connection into the intercepting sewer of said District.
12. **Change of Use.** This Permit shall be incorporated in the Building and Occupancy Permit for the Building or Buildings served under this Permit. The Owner or occupant of any Building served under this Permit shall not cause, or permit, a change of use of the Building to a use other than that indicated in this Permit without first having obtained a written permission from the Executive Director of the District.
13. **Interceptors Overloading.** The District hereby serves notice that its interceptors may flow full and may surcharge, and flooding of the proposed system may occur. The Permittee agrees that the proposed systems shall be constructed, operated and maintained at the sole risk of the Permittee.
14. **Transferability.** This Permit may not be assigned or transferred without the written consent of the Executive Director of the District or Enforcement Officer of an Authorized Municipality. However, a Sole Permittee may be required to assign or transfer the Permit when divesting itself of ownership to a third-party and should notify the District prior to such divestment so that the District may determine whether assignment to the new owner is necessary.
15. **Termination.** The District has the right to enforce or revoke a Permit issued by either the District or an Authorized Municipality as outlined in Article 12 of the Watershed Management Ordinance.

It is understood and agreed that in the event the Permittee shall default on or fail to perform and carryout any of the covenants, conditions or provisions of this Permit and such default or violation shall continue for sixty (60) days after receipt of notice thereof in writing given by the Executive Director of the District, then it shall be lawful for the District at or after the expiration of said sixty (60) days to declare said Permit terminated. The Permittee agrees that immediately upon receipt of written notice of such termination it will stop all operations, discontinue any discharges and disconnect the sewerage system or facilities constructed under this Permit. If the

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Permittee fails to do so, the District shall have the right to disconnect said system. The Permittee hereby agrees to pay for any costs incurred by the District for said disconnection.

16. **Rights and Remedies.** The various rights and remedies of the District contained in this Permit shall be construed as cumulative, and no one of them shall be construed as exclusive of any one or more of the others or exclusive of any other rights or remedies allowed by applicable rules, regulations, ordinances and laws. An election by the District to enforce any one or more of its rights or remedies shall not be construed as a waiver of the rights of the District to pursue any other rights or remedies provided under the terms and provisions of this Permit or under any applicable rules, regulations, ordinances or laws.
17. **Expiration.** This Permit shall expire if construction has not started within one (1) year from the date of issue. Construction under an expired Permit is deemed construction without a Permit. All construction under this Permit shall be completed within three (3) years after the date of permit issuance. If conditions so warrant, an extension may be granted. For publicly financed projects (e.g. special assessments) the one (1) year period indicated will be considered from the date of final court action.
18. **Revocation.** In issuing this Permit, the District or Authorized Municipality has relied upon the statements and representations made by the Permittee or his agent. Any incorrect statements or representations shall be cause for revocation of this Permit, and all the rights of the Permittee hereunder shall immediately become null and void.
19. **Advance Notice.** The Permittee shall give the District or Authorized Municipality advance notice of at least two working days prior to the following: mobilization and installation of Erosion and Sediment Control Practices; commencement of construction; excavation for Qualified Sewer Construction; Major Stormwater Systems and Detention Facilities under this Permit; and completion of construction. When advance notice is given, the Permittee shall provide the Permit number, municipality and location.
20. **Compliance with Plans and Specifications.** All construction shall be in accordance with the plans and specifications submitted for this Permit and made a part hereof. No changes in, or deviation from the plans and specifications which affect capacity, maintenance, design requirements, service area or Permit requirements shall be permitted unless revised plans have been submitted to, and approved by the District or Authorized Municipality. The Permit together with a set of the plans and specifications (revised plans and specifications, if any) shall be kept on the jobsite at all times during construction and until final inspection and approval by the District or Authorized Municipality.
21. **Testing and Approval.** All construction under this Permit shall be subject to inspection, testing and approval by the District. All testing shall be made, or caused to be made, by the Permittee at no cost to the District and in the presence of the District representative. Upon satisfactory completion of construction, the Permittee and the owner shall submit, or cause to be submitted, a completion certificate and request for approval on the form prescribed by the District. No sewer or other facilities shall be put in service until all the conditions of the Permit have been satisfactorily met.
22. **Record Drawings.** Before final inspection and approval by the District or an Authorized Municipality, the Permittee shall furnish, or cause to be furnished to the District or an Authorized Municipality, a set of Record drawings and Schedule R for the site stormwater plan, Detention Facilities, Stormwater Facilities, and Qualified Sewer Construction.
23. **Compliance with Rules and Regulations.** The Permittee hereby expressly assumes all responsibilities for meeting the requirements of all applicable rules, regulations, ordinances and laws of Local, State and Federal authorities. Issuance of this Permit shall not constitute a waiver of any applicable requirements.
24. **Severability.** The provisions of this Permit are severable, and if any provision of this Permit, or the application of any provision of this Permit, is held invalid, the remaining provisions of this Permit shall continue in full force and effect.
25. **Property Rights.** This Permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privilege.
26. **Conflict with Other Conditions.** In the case of conflict between these General Conditions and any other condition(s) in this permit, the other condition(s) shall govern.