

BASIC SAWS INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS
Version 1 (10/6/2017)

1. **Commercial Insurance Specifications (“Specifications”): The lines of insurance coverage specific to a transaction (including, but not limited to, types of coverage, minimum policy limits required, prohibited exclusions, additional insureds, and waiver of subrogation) shall be set forth in the contract governing such transaction. As such, these Basic SAWS Insurance Requirements are intended to be incorporated by reference into a SAWS contract referencing them and read in conjunction with the lines of insurance coverage specific to such contract.**
 - a. CONSULTANT shall require all Sub-consultants to carry lines of insurance coverage appropriate to their scope of Work and submit copies of Sub-consultants’ Certificates of Liability Insurance upon request by SAWS.
 - b. CONSULTANT agrees that with respect to the above required lines of insurance, all insurance policies are to contain or be endorsed to the extent, not inconsistent with the requirements of the issuing insurance carrier, to provide for an endorsement that the "other insurance" clause shall not apply where SAWS and the CITY are an Additional Insured shown on the policy if such endorsement is permitted by law and regulations.
 - c. CONSULTANT shall, upon request of SAWS, provide copies of all insurance policies and endorsements required under Contract.
 - d. CONSULTANT is responsible for the deductibles under all lines of insurance coverage required by these Specifications.
 - e. The stated policy limits of each line of insurance coverage required by these Specifications are MINIMUM ONLY and it shall be the CONSULTANT's responsibility to determine what policy limits are adequate and the length of time each line of insurance coverage shall be maintained; insurance policy limits are not a limit of the CONSULTANT's liability.
 - f. These minimum limits required of each line of insurance coverage may be either basic policy limits of the WC, EL, CGL and AL or any combination of basic limits or umbrella (Umbrella form) or excess (Other Than Umbrella form) limits.
 - g. SAWS acceptance of Certificate(s) that in any respect, do not comply with these Specifications, does not release the CONSULTANT from compliance herewith.
 - h. Each line of insurance coverage that is specified under these Requirements shall be so written so as to provide SAWS and the City thirty (30) calendar days advance written notice directly of cancellation or non-renewal of coverage, and not less than ten (10) calendar days advance written notice for nonpayment of premium.

- i. Within five (5) calendar days of cancellation or non-renewal of any required line of insurance coverage, the CONSULTANT shall provide SAWS a replacement Certificate with all applicable endorsements included. SAWS shall have the option to suspend the CONSULTANT's performance should there be a lapse in coverage at any time during this Contract.
- j. Failure to provide and to maintain the required lines of insurance coverage shall constitute a material breach of this contract.
- k. In addition to any other remedies, SAWS may have, upon the CONSULTANT's failure to provide and maintain any insurance or policy endorsements to the extent and within the time herein required, SAWS shall have the right to order the CONSULTANT to stop performing services hereunder and/or withhold any payment(s) which become due to the CONSULTANT hereunder until the CONSULTANT demonstrates compliance with the Specifications hereof.
- l. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as limiting, in any way, the extent to which the CONSULTANT may be held responsible for payments for damages to persons or property resulting from the CONSULTANT 's or its sub-consultant's performance of the services covered under this Contract.
- m. It is agreed that the CONSULTANT's insurance shall be deemed primary and non-contributory with respect to any insurance or self-insurance carried by SAWS, the City and their employees and agents for liability arising out of operations under this Contract.
- n. CONSULTANT agrees that all lines of insurance coverage required by these Specifications shall be with insurance companies, firms or entities that have an **A.M. Best** rating of "**A-** ("**A**"- minus)" and a **Financial Size Category** of a "**VII**" or better. All lines of insurance coverage shall be of an "Occurrence" type except for the Professional Liability line of insurance coverage.

SAWS will accept worker's compensation insurance coverage written by the Texas Workers Compensation Insurance Fund.

- o. SAWS reserves the right to review the above stated insurance specifications during the effective period of this Contract and any extension or renewal hereof and to request modification of lines of insurance coverage and their respective liability limits when deemed necessary and prudent by SAWS' Risk Manager and Legal Department based upon changes in statutory law, court decisions, or circumstances surrounding this Contract.

In no instance will SAWS and the City allow modification whereupon SAWS and the City may incur increased risk exposure.

2. Certificate(s) of Liability Insurance (“Certificate”) Requirements

Prior to the commencement of any Services under this Contract and once notified by SAWS Contracting Official that your Company has been selected as the apparent successful CONSULTANT pursuant to a Request for Proposal/Qualification selection process, pending Board final approval, and, a request is made for you to submit your Company’s Certificate of Liability Insurance, that Certificate must meet all of the following requirements:

- a. The CONSULTANT shall have completed by its insurance agent(s), and submitted to SAWS Contracting Department within 5 business days, a **Certificate(s) of Liability Insurance** (“Certificate(s)”) providing evidence of the lines of insurance coverage pursuant to Section 1.a.1) through 1.a.5) above.
- b. The original Certificate(s) or form must include the agent's original signature, including the signer's company affiliation, mailing address, Office and FAX phone numbers, email address, and contact person’s name; and, be mailed, with copies of all applicable endorsements, directly from the insurer's authorized representative in strictly compliance with sections 2.g. (**Certificate Holder**) and 2.h. (**Distribution of Completed Certificates**) below.
- c. The Texas Legislature passed and Governor Perry signed Senate Bill 425 to become effective January 1, 2012. This law will require all certificates of insurance forms to be filed with and approved by the Texas Department of Insurance before they can be used after the effective date of the law. In addition, the law codifies current Texas Department of Insurance rules that a certificate of insurance must not obscure or misrepresent the coverage provided by the insurance policies.
- d. SAWS will not accept Memorandum of Insurance or Binders as proof of insurance.
- e. SAWS shall have no duty to pay or perform under Consulting Services Agreement until such certificate(s) and applicable endorsements have been received, reviewed and deemed 100% compliant with the Insurance Specifications contained herein by SAWS’ Risk Management/Contract Services Department. No one other than SAWS Risk Manager shall have authority to waive any part of these requirements.
- f. **Additional Insured:**

SAWS requires that the Automobile Liability (“AL”) and the Commercial General Liability (“CGL”) policies must be endorsed naming Certificate Holder (as per item 2. i. below) as an **Additional Insured** and, so noted in the **DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS** section of the Certificate;

Suggested wording to be placed on the Certificate is as follows:

EITHER use,

The AL and CGL policies include a blanket automatic Additional Insured endorsement that provides additional insured status to the Certificate Holder only when there is a written contract between the named Insured and the Certificate Holder that requires such status.

OR use,

The AL and CGL policies are endorsed naming the Certificate Holder as an **Additional Insured**.

NOTE: If the above wording cannot be placed in the **DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS** section of the Certificate, please provide SAWS with the completed Certificate, a copy of the specific AL and CGL Additional Insured endorsement documents or the policy wording from both the AL and CGL policies.

g. **Waiver of Subrogation:**

SAWS requires that the AL, CGL and Workers' Compensation/Employer's Liability ("WC/EL") policies must be endorsed with the **Waiver of Subrogation** in favor of Certificate Holder (as per item 2. i. below) and, so noted in the **DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS** section of the Certificate;

Suggested wording to be placed on the Certificate is as follows:

EITHER use,

The AL, CGL and WC/EL policies include a blanket, automatic **Waiver of Subrogation** endorsement that provides this feature only when there is a written contract between the named Insured, the Certificate Holder that requires such status.

OR use,

The AL, CGL and WC/EL policies are endorsed with the **Waiver of Subrogation** in favor of the Certificate Holder.

NOTE: If the above wording cannot be placed in the **DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS** section of the Certificate, please provide SAWS with the completed Certificate, a copy of the specific AL, CGL and WC/EL Waiver of Subrogation endorsements documents or the policy wording from each of the AL, CGL and WC/EL policies.

- h. The SAWS Project/Contract number(s) along with its Descriptor Caption **must be included** in the Description of Operations section located in the bottom half of the standard ACORD Certificate forms.

- i. **Certificate Holder** - SAWS shall be shown as the Certificate Holder in the Certificate Holder section located in the bottom half of the standard ACORD Certificate forms and formatted as follows:

**San Antonio Water System
c/o Ebix BPO
PO Box 100085-ZD
Ref. # Contract Number
Duluth, GA 30096**

**SAWS Contracting Official will include in the above address, the correct, complete Ref# in the written confirmation of your selection as a CONSULTANT pending final Board approval.*

DO NOT BEGIN THE DISTRIBUTION OF ANY CERTIFICATE(S) BEFORE RECEIVING AND INSERTING THE COMPLETE REFERENCE NUMBER INTO THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER ADDRESS SHOWN ABOVE.

- j. **Distribution of Completed Certificates** - Completed **Certificates** shall be distributed by the Consultant as follows:

1) Send Original:

a) By **E-Mail**: saws@ebix.com

b) By **Fax**: 1-770-325-6502

c) To Upload **Online**: <http://www.ebixcerts.com> (*preferred method*)

2) Send Copy to the following:

San Antonio Water System
Attention: Contract Administration
P.O. Box 2449
San Antonio, TX 78298-2449

- k. CONSULTANT shall be responsible for obtaining Certificates of Insurance from the first tier Sub-consultant, and upon request furnish copies to SAWS.

3. SURVIVAL

Any and all representations, conditions and warranties made by Consultant under this Contract are of the essence of this Contract and shall survive the execution and delivery of it, and all statements contained in any document required by SAWS whether delivered at the time of the execution, or at a later date, shall constitute representations and warranties hereunder.