INDEMNITY AGREEMENT FOR APPLICATION FOR HIGHWAY OCCUPANCY PERMIT CONCERNING SUBSURFACE STORMWATER FACILITIES

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered	into this day of	, 20
by and between:		
	, a	
	ompany with an address of	
	, Pennsylvania,, party	of the first part,
hereinafter called	"Landowner"	
	AND	
LOWER ALLE	N TOWNSHIP, a Township of the	e first class with
an address of 223	3 Gettysburg Road, Camp Hill Per	nnsylvania, 17011,
party of the secon	nd part, hereinafter called "Townsh	ip"
WHEREAS, Landowner is the	owner of a certain parcel of propert	ty situate in
County, Pennsylv	ania, as is evidenced by a deed of r	record in the Office
of the Recorder of Deeds of	County, Pennsylvania, a	as Instrument No.
, hereinafter i	referred to as the "Property";	
WHEREAS, Landowner desires	s to develop the Property;	
WHEREAS, Landowner desires	to utilize the state highway public	right-of-way for storm
water management in the development	of the Property;	
WHEREAS, Landowner's storm	n water management efforts must u	tilize subsurface
means or facilities;		
WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania	Denartment of Transportation ("Pen	nDOT") in

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation ("PennDOT") in accordance with Section 421 of the Pennsylvania State Highway Law, 36 P.S.§ 670-421 has adopted a policy requiring any application for a Highway Occupancy Permit (a "HOP") for subsurface stormwater management to be submitted by the Township of the property to be developed either as applicant or co-applicant;

WHEREAS, this same PennDOT policy directs that any HOP permit issued concerning subsurface storm water management shall include conditions that the drainage installed shall be the primary responsibility of the Township and that any co-applicant is responsible for providing funding to the Township to offset future maintenance, repair, replacement and reconstruction costs associated with the subsurface storm water management facilities installed under the HOP;

WHEREAS, Landowner and Township agree that, at the option of the Township, either (a) the Township, or (b) the Township and the Landowner, shall file an application for an HOP for the Property; and

WHEREAS, Landowner and Township now desire, through this Agreement, to allocate the rights and responsibilities between each other for the, repair, replacement and reconstruction cost of the subsurface storm water management facilities constructed should PennDOT issue the applied for HOP and to provide for the Landowner's indemnification of the Township for any and all liability related to the matters set forth in this Agreement.

WHEREAS, upon execution of this Agreement it shall be recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Cumberland County, Pennsylvania for the Property at

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein and further intending to be legally bound thereby, the parties hereto agree as follows:

The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein and made a part hereof

ARTICLE I PLANNING, CONSTRUCTION, AND MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES

- **1.01.** Landowner agrees to be responsible, at its own cost and expense, for the design of the subsurface storm water facilities and the preparation and submission of the application to PennDOT for the associated HOP.
- **1.02.** Landowner agrees that any design of such facilities shall comply with all applicable building and other codes, industry standards, and laws.
- 1.03. Landowner agrees that the Township, or its engineer, shall have the right to review and make changes to the proposed design of the subsurface storm water facilities and to the proposed application for the associated HOP before submission to PennDOT. Landowner agrees to reimburse the Township for reasonable costs of the Township's review of the designs and application.
- **1.04.** Upon receipt of the HOP, Landowner agrees to construct the subsurface storm water facilities in accordance with any and all approvals required and received from the Township and otherwise to construct these facilities in accordance will all applicable building codes, industry standards, and laws.
- **1.05.** Landowner agrees to be responsible, at its own cost and expense, for regularly maintaining or replacing the installed subsurface storm water facilities as necessary or when the Township or PennDOT determines that maintenance or replacement is necessary.
- 1.06. To the full extent permitted by law, Landowner shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Township and its professional advisors, agents, servants, workmen and employees from and against all suits, claims, actions, damages, losses and expenses, including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees, and all suits, claims, actions, workers' compensation claims, damages, losses and expenses brought by any third parties, and/or employees of Landowner or contractors and subcontractors of Landowner, and for all costs or liability to which the Township may be held responsible, and for any injury or alleged injury to the person or property of another resulting from negligence or carelessness arising out of or resulting from the construction, operation, or failure of the subsurface storm water facilities that are the subject of the HOP.

1.07. In the event Landowner shall neglect, fail or refuse to maintain or replace the installed subsurface storm water facilities as necessary or when the Township or PennDOT determines that maintenance or replacement is necessary, then the Township may correct said deficiencies and Landowner shall be required to reimburse Township for all costs of said corrections, including administration, attorney and engineering fees, together with any additional payment authorized by law. Said costs may be collected by the Township from Landowner by an action in assumpsits or as otherwise permitted by law.

ARTICLE II LANDOWNER'S SECURITY

2.01. At the sole discretion of the Township, Landowner shall be required to provide security for its construction, maintenance, and indemnity obligations concerning the subsurface storm water facilities in the form of (a) a deposit of funds into an Escrow Account maintained by the Township or (b) the posting of a construction and maintenance bond in a form and amount satisfactory to the Township.

2.02. Escrow Account. (check if this section is applicable_).

- (A) Landowner agrees to place into an escrow account, for the sole benefit of the Township, as escrow agent, the initial sum of _____ (\$__ Dollars; said monies to be held in the Township's name alone, as escrowee, in an interest bearing segregated account not co-mingled with its general fund (but which may be part of a shared escrow fund as determined by the Township), for the exclusive purposes hereinafter set forth (the "Stormwater Maintenance Escrow Account"). Receipt of the amount of\$_will be acknowledged by the Township when so deposited. The Stormwater Maintenance Escrow Account shall be maintained by the Township for the particular development project in which the stormwater facilities are included.
- (B) Landowner agrees that the Stormwater Maintenance Escrow Account shall be used to reimburse the Township for any and all expenses, fees and charges incurred by the Township for maintenance, repair, replacement, or reconstruction of the

subsurface storm water facilities that are the subject of the HOP. The Township shall be permitted to utilize the funds in the Stormwater Maintenance Escrow Account to pay for maintenance, repair, replacement, or reconstruction of the subsurface storm water facilities only after the Township has notified Landowner in writing of the need to perform maintenance, repair, replacement, or reconstruction of the subsurface storm water facilities. Landowner shall have at least 10 days from the date of the Notice to begin such action on the subsurface storm water facilities or otherwise provide the Township with a response adequate to the Township.

The balance of the Stormwater Maintenance Escrow Account shall

(C)

subsurface stormwater facilities.

at no time be in an amount of	f less than	percent of the original amount, or	
	(\$	Dollars ("Minimum Balance").In the	
event that the balance of the S	Stormwater Mair	ntenance Escrow Account falls below the	
Minimum Balance, the Town	nship shall require	e that the Landowner deposit in the Escrow	
Account, within ten (10) busi	iness days after r	receipt of the Notice of Deficiency from the	
Township, the difference between the then current balance and the original escrow amount.			
At its sole discretion, the Township shall review the Stormwater Maintenance			
Escrow Account on a periodic basis and may require a reasonable increase in the Minimum			
Balance by the Landowner, a	ıfter taking into a	account all relevant factors, including	
inflation, estimated maintena	nce, repair, repla	acement and reconstruction costs, the financial	
condition of the Landowner,	and any material	l alteration of the property serviced by the	

(D) The Township shall have the sole discretion when, or if, the funds in the Stormwater Maintenance Escrow Account are released to the Landowner.

2.03. **Bond** (check if this section is applicable_).

- (A) Landowner shall cause to be issued a bond or bonds ("Bond"), issued by an acceptable surety authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and executed by the Landowner, in the amount of _____ naming the Township as obligee, and certifying that the Landowner will complete and maintain (including repair, replacement and reconstruction if necessary) the surface storm water facilities that are the subject of the HOP.
- (B) Landowner agrees that the Bond shall be utilized for maintenance, repair, replacement and reconstruction of the subsurface storm water facilities only if after 10 days written notice to Landowner by the Township of the need to maintain, repair, replace or reconstruct those facilities, Landowner has failed to address the matters contained in the Notice to the satisfaction of the Township.
- (C) The Township shall review the Bond on a periodic basis and may require a reasonable increase in the amount of the Bond after taking into account all relevant factors, including inflation, estimated maintenance, repair, replacement and reconstruction costs, the financial condition of the Landowner, and any material alteration of the property serviced by the subsurface stormwater facilities.
- (D) The Township shall have the sole discretion to decide when, or if, the Bond is released.

ARTICLE III GENERAL TERMS

- **3.01.** This Agreement shall be binding upon the successors and assigns of the Landowner and the Township.
- **3.02.** Any notice to be given hereunder shall be deemed given when personally delivered to the party to receive such notice, or when mailed postage prepaid, by registered or certified mail at the following address:

LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP, with an address of 2233 Gettysburg Road, Camp Hill, Pennsylvania, 17011

Landowner with an address of

- **3.03.** This agreement will be interpreted according to the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- **3.04.** This agreement represents the entire understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter of this agreement and supersedes all prior agreements, contracts, understandings, negotiations and other arrangements between the parties.
- **3.05.** This agreement may be amended, modified or supplemented only by the written agreement between the parties, which shall be duly recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deed of _____ County, Pennsylvania.
- **3.06.** This agreement and all rights under it will be binding on and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the successors and assignees of the Landowner.
- **3.07.** Landowner shall promptly notify the Township of any material changes in ownership of Landowner and provide any information about that change in ownership reasonably required by the Township.
- **3.08.** Landowner and Township agree that this Agreement may be recorded in the Recorder of Deeds' office (or other appropriate government office for records reflecting title to real property) of the county where the real property at issue is located. This recording shall be evidence of the obligations of the parties concerning the real property.

their respective authorized officers and officials. WITNESS: (LANDOWNER) Name: Name: Title: Title: ATTEST: LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP By:_____ Jennifer M. Caron (Township Seal) President, Board of Commissioners COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA) SS: COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND On this, the _____ day of ______, 20___, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared _____, who acknowledged himself to be the _____ of _____corporation, the general partner of signing the name of the company as such officer. IN WITNESSETH WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal. _____(SEAL)

Notary Public

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused these presents to be duly executed by

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND)
On this, the day of undersigned officer, personally appeared Jennifer Commissioners of Lower Allen Township, known person whose name is subscribed to the within inst the same for the purposes therein contained.	M. Caron, President of the Board of n to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the
IN WITNESSETH WHEREOF, I hereunto	set my hand and seal.
	(SEAL)
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