SUPERIOR COURT

PROVIDENCE, SC.	
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND	_)
Plaintiff,	) )
v.	) C.A. No. PC-2024-04526
AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES, INC.,	)
AETNA BRIDGE COMPANY,	)
ARIES SUPPORT SERVICES INC.,	)
BARLETTA HEAVY DIVISION, INC.,	)
BARLETTA/AETNA I-195 WASHINGTON	)
BRIDGE NORTH PHASE 2 JV,	)
COLLINS ENGINEERS, INC.,	)
COMMONWEALTH ENGINEERS &	

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

CONSULTANTS, INC.,

PRIME AE GROUP, INC., STEERE ENGINEERING, INC.,

JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC., MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.,

TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION, AND VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN, INC.,

Defendants.

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Defendants.	, )

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you have concerning the unanswered portion of any Interrogatory and set forth the facts upon

which such knowledge or belief is based.

(b)

6. If any portion of an Interrogatory response is withheld on the ground of privilege

or any other objection, then for each such response describe the privilege or objection being

asserted and provide information sufficient to permit the Court to rule on your privilege claim in

accordance with the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. For each assertion of

the privilege, state the nature of the privilege, and the privilege rule being invoked.

(a) If the privilege applies to an oral Communication, then state (i) the name of the

person making the Communication and the names of all persons present while the

Communication was made, and if not apparent, the relationships of all persons

present for the Communication; (ii) the date and place of the Communication; and

(iii) the general subject matter of the Communication.

If the privilege applies to one or more Documents, then state separately for each

such Document: (i) the type of Document (e.g., letter, memorandum, email, report,

recording, etc.); (ii) the Document's general subject matter; (iii) the Document's

date; (iv) its author; (v) its addressees, if any; (vi) any other recipients of the

Document; (vii) the relationship of the author, addresses, and recipients to each

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other; (viii) the author's title or position; and (ix) the basis for the privilege

objection.

7. An Interrogatory that asks you to identify documents requires you to provide at

least the following: (a) the type of document; (b) the general subject matter of the document; (c)

the date of the document; (d) the author(s), addressee(s) and recipient(s) of the document; and (e)

the location(s) of the document.

8. An Interrogatory that asks you to identify persons requires you to provide at least

the following: (a) the person's full name; (b) the person's present or last known address and

telephone number; and (c) when referring to a natural person, the person's present or last known

place of employment.

9. An Interrogatory that asks you to identify communications requires you to provide

at least the following: (a) for communications reflected in written documents the information you

are required to provide in response to an interrogatory that asks you to identify documents, or (b)

for all other communications, (i) the name of the person making the communication and the names

of persons present while the communication was made; (ii) the date and place of communication;

and (iii) the general subject matter of the communication.

10. These Interrogatories are continuing in nature, so that if you subsequently discover

or obtain additional information, then you are obligated to supplement your responses to these

Interrogatories promptly and provide later discovered responsive information up to the day of trial.

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#### **INTERROGATORIES**

- 1. How does the presence of voids in the grout surrounding the post-tensioning cables impact the Washington Bridge's structural integrity?
- 2. What are the potential consequences of corrosion in the post-tensioning cables, and how does this affect the Washington Bridge's safety?
- 3. During the rehabilitation design project (RIDOT RFP/Bid No. 7461338), was any strengthening in the form of external post-tensioning considered by You? If so, why did You not recommend it?
- 4. Which descriptions of deterioration in the February 26, 2024 VN Engineers Report, if any, were You and Your subconsultants aware of during Your respective Involvement with the Washington Bridge?
- 5. Identify RIDOT's oversight provided to You during Your work on the Washington Bridge.
- 6. Identify how You monitored contractors' compliance with maintenance standards regarding the Washington Bridge.
- 7. Identify all steps taken by You in evaluating the Washington Bridge's fracture-critical elements.
- 8. Identify how risk assessments were conducted for the Washington Bridge's critical areas.
- 9. Based on industry standards, what should be the frequency and scope of inspections pertaining to the post-tensioning system for a bridge with a design such as the Washington Bridge?
- 10. What methods should have been employed to properly assess the condition of the post-tensioned cables and grout during Your work on the Washington Bridge?
- 11. Based on AECOM's 2014 inspection and design plans, what critical issues should have been addressed in the proposed rehabilitation?
- 12. Do you contend that any other entity is liable, in whole or in part, for any of the allegations asserted against You in the Amended Complaint?

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ARIES SUPPORT SERVICES INC.,	)
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VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN, INC.,	)
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Defendants	)

# PLAINTIFF STATE OF RHODE ISLAND'S FIRST SET OF REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANT AETNA BRIDGE COMPANY

Pursuant to Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure 26 and 34, plaintiff the State of Rhode Island ("Plaintiff") requests that defendant AETNA BRIDGE COMPANY, produce the following documents for inspection and copying, within forty (40) days of service, at the offices of Savage Law Partners, LLP, 564 South Water Street, Providence, RI 02903, or at such other location that the parties may mutually designate in writing.

### **DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. The definitions and rules of construction set forth in Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure are hereby incorporated and shall apply to Plaintiff's First Set of Requests for Production (hereinafter, the "Requests"). These definitions shall apply throughout the Requests without regard to capitalization.
- 2. As used in the Requests, the following terms are to be interpreted in accordance with the following definitions:
  - (a) "RIDOT" refers to the Rhode Island Department of Transportation.
  - (b) "Washington Bridge" references the I-195 westbound bridge as described in the Amended Complaint.
  - (c) "Defendant" means AETNA BRIDGE COMPANY and all of its parents, U.S. and non-U.S. subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, predecessors, successors, officers, directors, employees, agents, partners, limited partners, and independent contractors, as well as aliases, trade names, or business names used by, or formerly used by, any of the foregoing.
  - (d) "Electronically stored information" or "ESI" refers to any portion of data available on a computer or other device capable of storing electronic data. "Electronically stored information" includes, but is not limited to, email (whether conducted using company email addresses or conducted through an individual, non-company account (e.g., Gmail)), spreadsheets, databases, word processing documents, images, presentations, application files, executable files, log files, and all other files present on any type of device capable of storing electronic data. Devices capable of storing electronically stored information include, but are not limited to: servers, desktop computers, portable computers, handheld computers, flash memory devices, wireless communication devices, pagers, workstations, minicomputers, mainframes, and all other forms of online or offline storage, whether on or off company premises. ESI is meant to include instant messages, cell phone text messages, voicemail messages, and similar types of messages. ESI is also meant to include any records of such communications or messages, including phone records. For any document kept in electronic form, the term "document" includes any metadata associated with the document.
  - (e) "Employee" means, without limitation, current and former officers, directors, executives, managers, analysts, supervisors, department heads, sales personnel, secretaries, clerical staff, messengers, agents, attorneys, representatives, or any person acting or authorized to act on behalf of Defendant.

- (f) "Person" is defined as any natural person or any business, legal, or governmental entity or association.
- (g) "You" or "your" means Defendant.
- 3. All documents produced for inspection shall be produced as they are kept in the usual course of business or shall be organized and labeled to correspond to the categories in the particular document requests, as required by Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. Documents attached to one another shall not be separated for production, the sequence of the documents shall not be disturbed from the condition in which they are normally kept, and all folders and containers for the documents shall be produced as well as the documents in the folders and containers.
- 4. In producing documents and ESI, you are requested to furnish all documents, ESI, or things in your possession, custody or control, regardless of the physical location of the documents or ESI, or whether such documents or ESI or other materials are possessed directly by you or your current and former directors, officers, agents, employees, representatives, subsidiaries, managing agents, affiliates, investigators, or by your current and former attorneys or their agents, employees, representatives, or investigators.
  - 5. All ESI shall be produced in a format to be agreed upon by the parties.
- 6. Any alteration of a requested document, including any marginal notes, handwritten notes, underlining, date stamps, received stamps, endorsed or filed stamps, drafts, revisions, modifications and other versions of a final document, is a separate and distinct document and should be produced.
- 7. If you object to any of these Requests, state your specific objection and clearly indicate whether you are complying with the request notwithstanding your objection, pursuant to

the requirements of the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. If your objection goes to only part of the request, produce all documents that do not fall within the scope of your objection and respond to the remainder of the request to which you do not object. If you object to any request on the ground of overbreadth, you shall respond to the request as narrowed to conform to your objection within the time period allowed for a response.

- 8. If no documents responsive to a request exist, please state that no responsive documents exist.
- 9. Regardless of any verb tense used in the document requests, these Requests are intended to cover all documents in existence or effect at any time during the Relevant Time Period. That is, in the event that the documents responsive to a request have changed over the time period for which the request has been made, produce all responsive documents even if they reflect policies that are no longer in effect.
- destroyed, discarded, or otherwise disposed of, you should produce a copy of your document retention policy applicable during the Relevant Time Period and provide a list setting forth as to each such document the following information: (a) The nature of the document (*e.g.*, email, memorandum, etc.); (b) The name, address, occupation, title, and business affiliation of each person who prepared, received, viewed, has knowledge of the contents of, or had possession, custody, or control of the document; (c) The date of the document; (d) The identification number of the document, if any; (e) A description of the subject matter of the document; (f) The date of destruction or other disposition; (g) A statement of the reasons for destruction or other disposition; (h) The name, address, occupation, title, and business affiliation of each person who authorized destruction or other disposition; (i) The name, address, occupation, title, and business

affiliation of each person who destroyed or disposed of the document; and (j) The request or requests to which the document is responsive.

- 11. You are specifically instructed to search all document management systems, computer archives, and/or backup tapes or disks for documents responsive to the following requests, and production of such documents should be made regardless of whether such documents exist in tangible or "hard" copy form. Production is also sought regardless of whether the user purported to "delete" the document, if such document is capable of being retrieved from archives and/or backup tapes or disks.
- 12. If you contend or believe that a privilege or other protection enables you to withhold any document sought by a request, you must produce a log containing the following information: (a) The nature of the privilege or protection claimed; (b) The nature and identity of the attorney (or other appropriate party) with respect to whom the privilege or protection is claimed; (c) The basis for claiming the privilege or protection as to the specific information or document involved in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the non-producing party, to assess the claim; (d) Each person who has knowledge of such information or to whom such information has been communicated in any way at any time; and (e) The following information about the purportedly privileged document: (i) The author, primary addressee, and secondary addressee or persons copied, including the relationship of those persons to any party in this litigation and/or author of the document; (ii) A brief description sufficient to identify the type, subject matter, and purpose of the document; (iii) All persons to whom its contents have been disclosed; (iv) The date the document was prepared, the date the document was sent, and the date the document was received; and (v) Other information sufficient

to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.

- claim of privilege pursuant to the preceding instruction, any non-privileged portion of such document must be produced with the portion claimed to be privileged redacted. For each such document, please provide a redaction log identifying: (a) The nature of the privilege or protection claimed; (b) The nature and identity of the attorney (or other appropriate party) with respect to whom the privilege or protection is claimed; (c) A brief description sufficient to identify the type, subject matter, and purpose of the redacted information; (d) The basis for claiming the privilege or protection as to the specific information involved in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the non-producing party to assess the claim; (e) Each person who has knowledge of such information or to whom such information has been communicated in any way at any time; and (f) Other information sufficient to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.
- 14. These Requests are continuing in nature and you are required to supplement your responses to these Requests in a continuing and timely manner. Accordingly, if you obtain or become aware of additional information or responsive documents at any time after serving a response, you are required to promptly serve a further response supplementing or revising your initial response and provide such additional responsive documents.

### **REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS**

- 1) All communications You have had with RIDOT pertaining to voids in the grout surrounding the post-tensioning cables regarding the Washington Bridge.
- 2) All communications You have had with RIDOT pertaining to corrosion concerns with any component of the post-tensioning system of the Washington Bridge, including but not limited to the post-tensioned cables.
- 3) All time sheets for each engineer involved in any project performed by You or Your contractors on the Washington Bridge.
- 4) All supporting data used for any reports You prepared during the work you performed on the Washington Bridge, including test data, inspection data, internal notes, and records.
- 5) All documents related to the evaluation of the existing cantilever beams at Abutment 1, piers 2-6, and piers 8-13 in Your possession, including but not limited to the names, dates, and hours for Your employees and subconsultant employees related to this topic and all meetings and correspondence related to this topic.
- 6) All documents related to the evaluation of the existing tie-down assemblies at Abutment 1, piers 2-6, and piers 8-13 in Your possession, including but not limited to the names, dates, and hours for Your employees and subconsultant employees related to this topic and all meetings and correspondence related to this topic.
- 7) All internal memoranda, emails, reports, meeting minutes, and other communications documenting Your concerns about the Washington Bridge's structural integrity at any point in time.
- 8) All inspection reports, engineering analyses, test results, and other documents that identify, describe, or evaluate the presence of voids in the concrete grout surrounding the post-tensioning cables, including any documents that assess how these voids impact the Washington Bridge's structural integrity.
- 9) All engineering reports, risk assessments, analyses, and other documents that discuss or evaluate the potential consequences of corrosion in the post-tensioning cables and/or how this affects the Washington Bridge's safety.
- 10) All inspection reports, photographs, field notes, correspondence, and other documents identifying deficiencies in any inspections of the Washington Bridge.
- 11) All documents related to inspections of the existing Washington Bridge that were considered but not performed due to cost, constructability, traffic interruptions, and/or other reasons.
- 12) All documents related to strategies for rehabilitation of the existing Washington Bridge that were considered but not performed due to cost, constructability, traffic interruptions, and/or other reasons.

- 13) All documents, including but not limited to policies, procedures, correspondence, meeting minutes, inspection protocols, and oversight reports that identify RIDOT's oversight provided during Your work with the Washington Bridge.
- 14) All documents, including but not limited to inspection protocols, reports, analyses, test results, and correspondence related to Your evaluation of the Washington Bridge's fracture-critical elements.
- 15) All documents, including but not limited to risk assessment protocols, reports, analyses, and resulting recommendations related to risk assessments conducted for the Washington Bridge's critical areas.
- 16) All documents, including but not limited to inspection protocols, testing methodologies, equipment specifications, and industry standards that describe methods that should have been employed to properly assess the condition of the post-tensioned cables and grout over the years.
- 17) All documents, including but not limited to internal reviews, third-party evaluations, and correspondence that reference any potential oversights or errors in the various inspections and rehabilitation plans developed for the Washington Bridge.
- 18) All contracts, agreements, correspondence, and other documents that define the roles and responsibilities of the various engineering firms involved in inspecting and designing repairs for the Washington Bridge over the years.
- 19) All documents in support of Your contention that any other entity is liable, in whole or in part, for any of the allegations asserted against You in the Amended Complaint.

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TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION, AND	)
VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN, INC.,	
Defendants	)

# PLAINTIFF STATE OF RHODE ISLAND'S FIRST SET OF REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANT ARIES SUPPORT SERVICES, INC.

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  - (b) "Washington Bridge" references the I-195 westbound bridge as described in the Amended Complaint.
  - (c) "Defendant" means ARIES SUPPORT SERVICES, INC., produce and all of its parents, U.S. and non-U.S. subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, predecessors, successors, officers, directors, employees, agents, partners, limited partners, and independent contractors, as well as aliases, trade names, or business names used by, or formerly used by, any of the foregoing.
  - "Electronically stored information" or "ESI" refers to any portion of data (d) available on a computer or other device capable of storing electronic data. "Electronically stored information" includes, but is not limited to, email (whether conducted using company email addresses or conducted through an individual, non-company account (e.g., Gmail)), spreadsheets, databases, word processing documents, images, presentations, application files, executable files, log files, and all other files present on any type of device capable of storing electronic data. Devices capable of storing electronically stored information include, but are not limited to: servers, desktop computers, portable computers, handheld computers, flash memory devices, wireless communication devices, pagers, workstations, minicomputers, mainframes, and all other forms of online or offline storage, whether on or off company premises. ESI is meant to include instant messages, cell phone text messages, voicemail messages, and similar types of messages. ESI is also meant to include any records of such communications or messages, including phone records. For any document kept in electronic form, the term "document" includes any metadata associated with the document.
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- secretaries, clerical staff, messengers, agents, attorneys, representatives, or any person acting or authorized to act on behalf of Defendant.
- (f) "Person" is defined as any natural person or any business, legal, or governmental entity or association.
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document was sent, and the date the document was received; and (v) Other information sufficient to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.

- claim of privilege pursuant to the preceding instruction, any non-privileged portion of such document must be produced with the portion claimed to be privileged redacted. For each such document, please provide a redaction log identifying: (a) The nature of the privilege or protection claimed; (b) The nature and identity of the attorney (or other appropriate party) with respect to whom the privilege or protection is claimed; (c) A brief description sufficient to identify the type, subject matter, and purpose of the redacted information; (d) The basis for claiming the privilege or protection as to the specific information involved in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the non-producing party to assess the claim; (e) Each person who has knowledge of such information or to whom such information has been communicated in any way at any time; and (f) Other information sufficient to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.
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BARLETTA HEAVY DIVISION, INC.,	<i>)</i> )
BARLETTA/AETNA I-195 WASHINGTON	)
BRIDGE NORTH PHASE 2 JV,	)
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Defendants	<i>)</i> }

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Pursuant to Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure 26 and 34, plaintiff the State of Rhode Island ("Plaintiff") requests that defendant BARLETTA HEAVY DIVISION, INC., produce the following documents for inspection and copying, within forty (40) days of service, at the offices of Savage Law Partners, LLP, 564 South Water Street, Providence, RI 02903, or at such other location that the parties may mutually designate in writing.

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  - (a) "RIDOT" refers to the Rhode Island Department of Transportation.
  - (b) "Washington Bridge" references the I-195 westbound bridge as described in the Amended Complaint.
  - (c) "Defendant" means BARLETTA HEAVY DIVISION, INC., and all of its parents, U.S. and non-U.S. subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, predecessors, successors, officers, directors, employees, agents, partners, limited partners, and independent contractors, as well as aliases, trade names, or business names used by, or formerly used by, any of the foregoing.
  - (d) "Electronically stored information" or "ESI" refers to any portion of data available on a computer or other device capable of storing electronic data. "Electronically stored information" includes, but is not limited to, email (whether conducted using company email addresses or conducted through an individual, non-company account (e.g., Gmail)), spreadsheets, databases, word processing documents, images, presentations, application files, executable files, log files, and all other files present on any type of device capable of storing electronic data. Devices capable of storing electronically stored information include, but are not limited to: servers, desktop computers, portable computers, handheld computers, flash memory devices, wireless communication devices, pagers, workstations, minicomputers, mainframes, and all other forms of online or offline storage, whether on or off company premises. ESI is meant to include instant messages, cell phone text messages, voicemail messages, and similar types of messages. ESI is also meant to include any records of such communications or messages, including phone records. For any document kept in electronic form, the term "document" includes any metadata associated with the document.
  - (e) "Employee" means, without limitation, current and former officers, directors, executives, managers, analysts, supervisors, department heads, sales personnel, secretaries, clerical staff, messengers, agents, attorneys, representatives, or any person acting or authorized to act on behalf of Defendant.

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- (g) "You" or "your" means Defendant.
- 3. All documents produced for inspection shall be produced as they are kept in the usual course of business or shall be organized and labeled to correspond to the categories in the particular document requests, as required by Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. Documents attached to one another shall not be separated for production, the sequence of the documents shall not be disturbed from the condition in which they are normally kept, and all folders and containers for the documents shall be produced as well as the documents in the folders and containers.
- 4. In producing documents and ESI, you are requested to furnish all documents, ESI, or things in your possession, custody or control, regardless of the physical location of the documents or ESI, or whether such documents or ESI or other materials are possessed directly by you or your current and former directors, officers, agents, employees, representatives, subsidiaries, managing agents, affiliates, investigators, or by your current and former attorneys or their agents, employees, representatives, or investigators.
  - 5. All ESI shall be produced in a format to be agreed upon by the parties.
- 6. Any alteration of a requested document, including any marginal notes, handwritten notes, underlining, date stamps, received stamps, endorsed or filed stamps, drafts, revisions, modifications and other versions of a final document, is a separate and distinct document and should be produced.
- 7. If you object to any of these Requests, state your specific objection and clearly indicate whether you are complying with the request notwithstanding your objection, pursuant to

the requirements of the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. If your objection goes to only part of the request, produce all documents that do not fall within the scope of your objection and respond to the remainder of the request to which you do not object. If you object to any request on the ground of overbreadth, you shall respond to the request as narrowed to conform to your objection within the time period allowed for a response.

- 8. If no documents responsive to a request exist, please state that no responsive documents exist.
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- destroyed, discarded, or otherwise disposed of, you should produce a copy of your document retention policy applicable during the Relevant Time Period and provide a list setting forth as to each such document the following information: (a) The nature of the document (*e.g.*, email, memorandum, etc.); (b) The name, address, occupation, title, and business affiliation of each person who prepared, received, viewed, has knowledge of the contents of, or had possession, custody, or control of the document; (c) The date of the document; (d) The identification number of the document, if any; (e) A description of the subject matter of the document; (f) The date of destruction or other disposition; (g) A statement of the reasons for destruction or other disposition; (h) The name, address, occupation, title, and business affiliation of each person who authorized destruction or other disposition; (i) The name, address, occupation, title, and business

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- 12. If you contend or believe that a privilege or other protection enables you to withhold any document sought by a request, you must produce a log containing the following information: (a) The nature of the privilege or protection claimed; (b) The nature and identity of the attorney (or other appropriate party) with respect to whom the privilege or protection is claimed; (c) The basis for claiming the privilege or protection as to the specific information or document involved in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the non-producing party, to assess the claim; (d) Each person who has knowledge of such information or to whom such information has been communicated in any way at any time; and (e) The following information about the purportedly privileged document: (i) The author, primary addressee, and secondary addressee or persons copied, including the relationship of those persons to any party in this litigation and/or author of the document; (ii) A brief description sufficient to identify the type, subject matter, and purpose of the document; (iii) All persons to whom its contents have been disclosed; (iv) The date the document was prepared, the date the document was sent, and the date the document was received; and (v) Other information sufficient

to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.

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- 14. These Requests are continuing in nature and you are required to supplement your responses to these Requests in a continuing and timely manner. Accordingly, if you obtain or become aware of additional information or responsive documents at any time after serving a response, you are required to promptly serve a further response supplementing or revising your initial response and provide such additional responsive documents.

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I hereby certify that on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 2025, I electronically served this document through the electronic filing system on counsel of record. The document is available for viewing and/or downloading from the Rhode Island Judiciary's electronic filing system.

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TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION, AND	)
VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN, INC.,	
Defendants.	

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Pursuant to Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure 26 and 34, plaintiff the State of Rhode Island ("Plaintiff") requests that defendant COMMONWEALTH ENGINEERS & CONSULTANTS, INC., produce the following documents for inspection and copying, within forty (40) days of service, at the offices of Savage Law Partners, LLP, 564 South Water Street, Providence, RI 02903, or at such other location that the parties may mutually designate in writing.

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  - (a) "RIDOT" refers to the Rhode Island Department of Transportation.
  - (b) "Washington Bridge" references the I-195 westbound bridge as described in the Amended Complaint.
  - (c) "Defendant" means COMMONWEALTH ENGINEERS & CONSULTANTS, INC., and all of its parents, U.S. and non-U.S. subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, predecessors, successors, officers, directors, employees, agents, partners, limited partners, and independent contractors, as well as aliases, trade names, or business names used by, or formerly used by, any of the foregoing.
  - (d) "Electronically stored information" or "ESI" refers to any portion of data available on a computer or other device capable of storing electronic data. "Electronically stored information" includes, but is not limited to, email (whether conducted using company email addresses or conducted through an individual, non-company account (e.g., Gmail)), spreadsheets, databases, word processing documents, images, presentations, application files, executable files, log files, and all other files present on any type of device capable of storing electronic data. Devices capable of storing electronically stored information include, but are not limited to: servers, desktop computers, portable computers, handheld computers, flash memory devices, wireless communication devices, pagers, workstations, minicomputers, mainframes, and all other forms of online or offline storage, whether on or off company premises. ESI is meant to include instant messages, cell phone text messages, voicemail messages, and similar types of messages. ESI is also meant to include any records of such communications or messages, including phone records. For any document kept in electronic form, the term "document" includes any metadata associated with the document.
  - (e) "Employee" means, without limitation, current and former officers, directors, executives, managers, analysts, supervisors, department heads, sales personnel, secretaries, clerical staff, messengers, agents, attorneys, representatives, or any person acting or authorized to act on behalf of Defendant.

- (f) "Person" is defined as any natural person or any business, legal, or governmental entity or association.
- (g) "You" or "your" means Defendant.
- 3. All documents produced for inspection shall be produced as they are kept in the usual course of business or shall be organized and labeled to correspond to the categories in the particular document requests, as required by Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. Documents attached to one another shall not be separated for production, the sequence of the documents shall not be disturbed from the condition in which they are normally kept, and all folders and containers for the documents shall be produced as well as the documents in the folders and containers.
- 4. In producing documents and ESI, you are requested to furnish all documents, ESI, or things in your possession, custody or control, regardless of the physical location of the documents or ESI, or whether such documents or ESI or other materials are possessed directly by you or your current and former directors, officers, agents, employees, representatives, subsidiaries, managing agents, affiliates, investigators, or by your current and former attorneys or their agents, employees, representatives, or investigators.
  - 5. All ESI shall be produced in a format to be agreed upon by the parties.
- 6. Any alteration of a requested document, including any marginal notes, handwritten notes, underlining, date stamps, received stamps, endorsed or filed stamps, drafts, revisions, modifications and other versions of a final document, is a separate and distinct document and should be produced.
- 7. If you object to any of these Requests, state your specific objection and clearly indicate whether you are complying with the request notwithstanding your objection, pursuant to

the requirements of the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. If your objection goes to only part of the request, produce all documents that do not fall within the scope of your objection and respond to the remainder of the request to which you do not object. If you object to any request on the ground of overbreadth, you shall respond to the request as narrowed to conform to your objection within the time period allowed for a response.

- 8. If no documents responsive to a request exist, please state that no responsive documents exist.
- 9. Regardless of any verb tense used in the document requests, these Requests are intended to cover all documents in existence or effect at any time during the Relevant Time Period. That is, in the event that the documents responsive to a request have changed over the time period for which the request has been made, produce all responsive documents even if they reflect policies that are no longer in effect.
- destroyed, discarded, or otherwise disposed of, you should produce a copy of your document retention policy applicable during the Relevant Time Period and provide a list setting forth as to each such document the following information: (a) The nature of the document (*e.g.*, email, memorandum, etc.); (b) The name, address, occupation, title, and business affiliation of each person who prepared, received, viewed, has knowledge of the contents of, or had possession, custody, or control of the document; (c) The date of the document; (d) The identification number of the document, if any; (e) A description of the subject matter of the document; (f) The date of destruction or other disposition; (g) A statement of the reasons for destruction or other disposition; (h) The name, address, occupation, title, and business affiliation of each person who authorized destruction or other disposition; (i) The name, address, occupation, title, and business

affiliation of each person who destroyed or disposed of the document; and (j) The request or requests to which the document is responsive.

- 11. You are specifically instructed to search all document management systems, computer archives, and/or backup tapes or disks for documents responsive to the following requests, and production of such documents should be made regardless of whether such documents exist in tangible or "hard" copy form. Production is also sought regardless of whether the user purported to "delete" the document, if such document is capable of being retrieved from archives and/or backup tapes or disks.
- 12. If you contend or believe that a privilege or other protection enables you to withhold any document sought by a request, you must produce a log containing the following information: (a) The nature of the privilege or protection claimed; (b) The nature and identity of the attorney (or other appropriate party) with respect to whom the privilege or protection is claimed; (c) The basis for claiming the privilege or protection as to the specific information or document involved in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the non-producing party, to assess the claim; (d) Each person who has knowledge of such information or to whom such information has been communicated in any way at any time; and (e) The following information about the purportedly privileged document: (i) The author, primary addressee, and secondary addressee or persons copied, including the relationship of those persons to any party in this litigation and/or author of the document; (ii) A brief description sufficient to identify the type, subject matter, and purpose of the document; (iii) All persons to whom its contents have been disclosed; (iv) The date the document was prepared, the date the document was sent, and the date the document was received; and (v) Other information sufficient

to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.

- claim of privilege pursuant to the preceding instruction, any non-privileged portion of such document must be produced with the portion claimed to be privileged redacted. For each such document, please provide a redaction log identifying: (a) The nature of the privilege or protection claimed; (b) The nature and identity of the attorney (or other appropriate party) with respect to whom the privilege or protection is claimed; (c) A brief description sufficient to identify the type, subject matter, and purpose of the redacted information; (d) The basis for claiming the privilege or protection as to the specific information involved in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the non-producing party to assess the claim; (e) Each person who has knowledge of such information or to whom such information has been communicated in any way at any time; and (f) Other information sufficient to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.
- 14. These Requests are continuing in nature and you are required to supplement your responses to these Requests in a continuing and timely manner. Accordingly, if you obtain or become aware of additional information or responsive documents at any time after serving a response, you are required to promptly serve a further response supplementing or revising your initial response and provide such additional responsive documents.

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- 1) All communications You have had with RIDOT pertaining to voids in the grout surrounding the post-tensioning cables regarding the Washington Bridge.
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- 5) All documents related to the evaluation of the existing cantilever beams at Abutment 1, piers 2-6, and piers 8-13 in Your possession, including but not limited to the names, dates, and hours for Your employees and subconsultant employees related to this topic and all meetings and correspondence related to this topic.
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- 7) All internal memoranda, emails, reports, meeting minutes, and other communications documenting Your concerns about the Washington Bridge's structural integrity at any point in time.
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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PROVIDENCE, SC.	SUPERIOR COURT
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND	· )
Plaintiff,	) )
v.	) C.A. No. PC-2024-04526
AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES, INC.,	) )
AETNA BRIDGE COMPANY,	)
ARIES SUPPORT SERVICES INC.,	)
BARLETTA HEAVY DIVISION, INC.,	)
BARLETTA/AETNA I-195 WASHINGTON	)
BRIDGE NORTH PHASE 2 JV,	)
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# PLAINTIFF STATE OF RHODE ISLAND'S FIRST SET OF REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANT JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC.

Pursuant to Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure 26 and 34, plaintiff the State of Rhode Island ("Plaintiff") requests that defendant JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC., produce the following documents for inspection and copying, within forty (40) days of service, at the offices of Savage Law Partners, LLP, 564 South Water Street, Providence, RI 02903, or at such other location that the parties may mutually designate in writing.

## **DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. The definitions and rules of construction set forth in Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure are hereby incorporated and shall apply to Plaintiff's First Set of Requests for Production (hereinafter, the "Requests"). These definitions shall apply throughout the Requests without regard to capitalization.
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  - (a) "RIDOT" refers to the Rhode Island Department of Transportation.
  - (b) "Washington Bridge" references the I-195 westbound bridge as described in the Amended Complaint.
  - (c) "Defendant" means JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC., and all of its parents, U.S. and non-U.S. subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, predecessors, successors, officers, directors, employees, agents, partners, limited partners, and independent contractors, as well as aliases, trade names, or business names used by, or formerly used by, any of the foregoing.
  - (d) "Electronically stored information" or "ESI" refers to any portion of data available on a computer or other device capable of storing electronic data. "Electronically stored information" includes, but is not limited to, email (whether conducted using company email addresses or conducted through an individual, non-company account (e.g., Gmail)), spreadsheets, databases, word processing documents, images, presentations, application files, executable files, log files, and all other files present on any type of device capable of storing electronic data. Devices capable of storing electronically stored information include, but are not limited to: servers, desktop computers, portable computers, handheld computers, flash memory devices, wireless communication devices, pagers, workstations, minicomputers, mainframes, and all other forms of online or offline storage, whether on or off company premises. ESI is meant to include instant messages, cell phone text messages, voicemail messages, and similar types of messages. ESI is also meant to include any records of such communications or messages, including phone records. For any document kept in electronic form, the term "document" includes any metadata associated with the document.
  - (e) "Employee" means, without limitation, current and former officers, directors, executives, managers, analysts, supervisors, department heads, sales personnel, secretaries, clerical staff, messengers, agents, attorneys, representatives, or any person acting or authorized to act on behalf of Defendant.

- (f) "Person" is defined as any natural person or any business, legal, or governmental entity or association.
- (g) "You" or "your" means Defendant.
- 3. All documents produced for inspection shall be produced as they are kept in the usual course of business or shall be organized and labeled to correspond to the categories in the particular document requests, as required by Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. Documents attached to one another shall not be separated for production, the sequence of the documents shall not be disturbed from the condition in which they are normally kept, and all folders and containers for the documents shall be produced as well as the documents in the folders and containers.
- 4. In producing documents and ESI, you are requested to furnish all documents, ESI, or things in your possession, custody or control, regardless of the physical location of the documents or ESI, or whether such documents or ESI or other materials are possessed directly by you or your current and former directors, officers, agents, employees, representatives, subsidiaries, managing agents, affiliates, investigators, or by your current and former attorneys or their agents, employees, representatives, or investigators.
  - 5. All ESI shall be produced in a format to be agreed upon by the parties.
- 6. Any alteration of a requested document, including any marginal notes, handwritten notes, underlining, date stamps, received stamps, endorsed or filed stamps, drafts, revisions, modifications and other versions of a final document, is a separate and distinct document and should be produced.
- 7. If you object to any of these Requests, state your specific objection and clearly indicate whether you are complying with the request notwithstanding your objection, pursuant to

the requirements of the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. If your objection goes to only part of the request, produce all documents that do not fall within the scope of your objection and respond to the remainder of the request to which you do not object. If you object to any request on the ground of overbreadth, you shall respond to the request as narrowed to conform to your objection within the time period allowed for a response.

- 8. If no documents responsive to a request exist, please state that no responsive documents exist.
- 9. Regardless of any verb tense used in the document requests, these Requests are intended to cover all documents in existence or effect at any time during the Relevant Time Period. That is, in the event that the documents responsive to a request have changed over the time period for which the request has been made, produce all responsive documents even if they reflect policies that are no longer in effect.
- destroyed, discarded, or otherwise disposed of, you should produce a copy of your document retention policy applicable during the Relevant Time Period and provide a list setting forth as to each such document the following information: (a) The nature of the document (*e.g.*, email, memorandum, etc.); (b) The name, address, occupation, title, and business affiliation of each person who prepared, received, viewed, has knowledge of the contents of, or had possession, custody, or control of the document; (c) The date of the document; (d) The identification number of the document, if any; (e) A description of the subject matter of the document; (f) The date of destruction or other disposition; (g) A statement of the reasons for destruction or other disposition; (h) The name, address, occupation, title, and business affiliation of each person who authorized destruction or other disposition; (i) The name, address, occupation, title, and business

affiliation of each person who destroyed or disposed of the document; and (j) The request or requests to which the document is responsive.

- 11. You are specifically instructed to search all document management systems, computer archives, and/or backup tapes or disks for documents responsive to the following requests, and production of such documents should be made regardless of whether such documents exist in tangible or "hard" copy form. Production is also sought regardless of whether the user purported to "delete" the document, if such document is capable of being retrieved from archives and/or backup tapes or disks.
- 12. If you contend or believe that a privilege or other protection enables you to withhold any document sought by a request, you must produce a log containing the following information: (a) The nature of the privilege or protection claimed; (b) The nature and identity of the attorney (or other appropriate party) with respect to whom the privilege or protection is claimed; (c) The basis for claiming the privilege or protection as to the specific information or document involved in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the non-producing party, to assess the claim; (d) Each person who has knowledge of such information or to whom such information has been communicated in any way at any time; and (e) The following information about the purportedly privileged document: (i) The author, primary addressee, and secondary addressee or persons copied, including the relationship of those persons to any party in this litigation and/or author of the document; (ii) A brief description sufficient to identify the type, subject matter, and purpose of the document; (iii) All persons to whom its contents have been disclosed; (iv) The date the document was prepared, the date the document was sent, and the date the document was received; and (v) Other information sufficient

to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.

- claim of privilege pursuant to the preceding instruction, any non-privileged portion of such document must be produced with the portion claimed to be privileged redacted. For each such document, please provide a redaction log identifying: (a) The nature of the privilege or protection claimed; (b) The nature and identity of the attorney (or other appropriate party) with respect to whom the privilege or protection is claimed; (c) A brief description sufficient to identify the type, subject matter, and purpose of the redacted information; (d) The basis for claiming the privilege or protection as to the specific information involved in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the non-producing party to assess the claim; (e) Each person who has knowledge of such information or to whom such information has been communicated in any way at any time; and (f) Other information sufficient to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.
- 14. These Requests are continuing in nature and you are required to supplement your responses to these Requests in a continuing and timely manner. Accordingly, if you obtain or become aware of additional information or responsive documents at any time after serving a response, you are required to promptly serve a further response supplementing or revising your initial response and provide such additional responsive documents.

# **REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS**

- 1) All communications You have had with RIDOT pertaining to voids in the grout surrounding the post-tensioning cables regarding the Washington Bridge.
- 2) All communications You have had with RIDOT pertaining to corrosion concerns with any component of the post-tensioning system of the Washington Bridge, including but not limited to the post-tensioned cables.
- 3) All time sheets for each engineer involved in any project performed by You or Your contractors on the Washington Bridge.
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- 5) All documents related to the evaluation of the existing cantilever beams at Abutment 1, piers 2-6, and piers 8-13 in Your possession, including but not limited to the names, dates, and hours for Your employees and subconsultant employees related to this topic and all meetings and correspondence related to this topic.
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- 7) All internal memoranda, emails, reports, meeting minutes, and other communications documenting Your concerns about the Washington Bridge's structural integrity at any point in time.
- 8) All inspection reports, engineering analyses, test results, and other documents that identify, describe, or evaluate the presence of voids in the concrete grout surrounding the post-tensioning cables, including any documents that assess how these voids impact the Washington Bridge's structural integrity.
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- 15) All documents, including but not limited to risk assessment protocols, reports, analyses, and resulting recommendations related to risk assessments conducted for the Washington Bridge's critical areas.
- 16) All documents, including but not limited to inspection protocols, testing methodologies, equipment specifications, and industry standards that describe methods that should have been employed to properly assess the condition of the post-tensioned cables and grout over the years.
- 17) All documents, including but not limited to internal reviews, third-party evaluations, and correspondence that reference any potential oversights or errors in the various inspections and rehabilitation plans developed for the Washington Bridge.
- 18) All contracts, agreements, correspondence, and other documents that define the roles and responsibilities of the various engineering firms involved in inspecting and designing repairs for the Washington Bridge over the years.
- 19) All documents in support of Your contention that any other entity is liable, in whole or in part, for any of the allegations asserted against You in the Amended Complaint.

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BRIDGE NORTH PHASE 2 JV,	)
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VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN, INC.,	)
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# PLAINTIFF STATE OF RHODE ISLAND'S FIRST SET OF REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO BARLETTA/AETNA I-195 WASHINGTON BRIDGE NORTH PHASE 2 JV

Defendants.

Pursuant to Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure 26 and 34, plaintiff the State of Rhode Island ("Plaintiff") requests that defendant BARLETTA/AETNA I-195 WASHINGTON BRIDGE NORTH PHASE 2 JV, produce the following documents for inspection and copying, within forty (40) days of service, at the offices of Savage Law Partners, LLP, 564 South Water Street, Providence, RI 02903, or at such other location that the parties may mutually designate in writing.

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- 19) All documents in support of Your contention that any other entity is liable, in whole or in part, for any of the allegations asserted against You in the Amended Complaint.
- 20) All documents in support of Your contention in paragraph 11 of Your Counterclaim which states: "Radiographic, ground penetrating radar ("GPR"), ultrasonic shear wave tomography ("MIRA"), and/or other testing was available to evaluate the true condition of the Washington Bridge after 1999 and before March 17, 2021."
- 21) All documents, including internal communications, meeting notes, and analyses, in which the JV or its members discussed, evaluated, or relied upon any representations by RIDOT regarding the condition or rehabilitatability of the Washington Bridge, including but not limited to the Base Technical Concept (BTC) and the 2021 RFP.
- 22) All documents and communications within the JV or between the JV and third parties concerning the 1992 Lichtenstein report, its recommendations, or the absence of its disclosure in the 2021 RFP.
- 23) All documents reflecting any consideration, performance, or rejection of additional non-visual testing (such as radiographic, GPR, MIRA, or ultrasonic testing) by the JV or its consultants prior to or during the Project, and any communications with RIDOT regarding such testing.

24) All documents relating to the identification, notification, and assessment of the alleged Differing Site Condition at Piers 6 and 7, including internal reports, correspondence with RIDOT, and any analyses of the impact on design, construction, or schedule.

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v.	) C.A. No. PC-2024-04526
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BARLETTA/AETNA I-195 WASHINGTON	)
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COLLINS ENGINEERS, INC.,	
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TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION, AND	)
VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN, INC.,	)
Defendants	<i>)</i> }

# PLAINTIFF STATE OF RHODE ISLAND'S FIRST SET OF REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANT MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Pursuant to Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure 26 and 34, plaintiff the State of Rhode Island ("Plaintiff") requests that defendant MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, INC., produce the following documents for inspection and copying, within forty (40) days of service, at the offices of Savage Law Partners, LLP, 564 South Water Street, Providence, RI 02903, or at such other location that the parties may mutually designate in writing.

## **DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. The definitions and rules of construction set forth in Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure are hereby incorporated and shall apply to Plaintiff's First Set of Requests for Production (hereinafter, the "Requests"). These definitions shall apply throughout the Requests without regard to capitalization.
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  - (a) "RIDOT" refers to the Rhode Island Department of Transportation.
  - (b) "Washington Bridge" references the I-195 westbound bridge as described in the Amended Complaint.
  - (c) "Defendant" means MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, INC., and all of its parents, U.S. and non-U.S. subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, predecessors, successors, officers, directors, employees, agents, partners, limited partners, and independent contractors, as well as aliases, trade names, or business names used by, or formerly used by, any of the foregoing.
  - (d) "Electronically stored information" or "ESI" refers to any portion of data available on a computer or other device capable of storing electronic data. "Electronically stored information" includes, but is not limited to, email (whether conducted using company email addresses or conducted through an individual, non-company account (e.g., Gmail)), spreadsheets, databases, word processing documents, images, presentations, application files, executable files, log files, and all other files present on any type of device capable of storing electronic data. Devices capable of storing electronically stored information include, but are not limited to: servers, desktop computers, portable computers, handheld computers, flash memory devices, wireless communication devices, pagers, workstations, minicomputers, mainframes, and all other forms of online or offline storage, whether on or off company premises. ESI is meant to include instant messages, cell phone text messages, voicemail messages, and similar types of messages. ESI is also meant to include any records of such communications or messages, including phone records. For any document kept in electronic form, the term "document" includes any metadata associated with the document.
  - (e) "Employee" means, without limitation, current and former officers, directors, executives, managers, analysts, supervisors, department heads, sales personnel, secretaries, clerical staff, messengers, agents, attorneys, representatives, or any person acting or authorized to act on behalf of Defendant.

- (f) "Person" is defined as any natural person or any business, legal, or governmental entity or association.
- (g) "You" or "your" means Defendant.
- 3. All documents produced for inspection shall be produced as they are kept in the usual course of business or shall be organized and labeled to correspond to the categories in the particular document requests, as required by Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. Documents attached to one another shall not be separated for production, the sequence of the documents shall not be disturbed from the condition in which they are normally kept, and all folders and containers for the documents shall be produced as well as the documents in the folders and containers.
- 4. In producing documents and ESI, you are requested to furnish all documents, ESI, or things in your possession, custody or control, regardless of the physical location of the documents or ESI, or whether such documents or ESI or other materials are possessed directly by you or your current and former directors, officers, agents, employees, representatives, subsidiaries, managing agents, affiliates, investigators, or by your current and former attorneys or their agents, employees, representatives, or investigators.
  - 5. All ESI shall be produced in a format to be agreed upon by the parties.
- 6. Any alteration of a requested document, including any marginal notes, handwritten notes, underlining, date stamps, received stamps, endorsed or filed stamps, drafts, revisions, modifications and other versions of a final document, is a separate and distinct document and should be produced.
- 7. If you object to any of these Requests, state your specific objection and clearly indicate whether you are complying with the request notwithstanding your objection, pursuant to

the requirements of the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. If your objection goes to only part of the request, produce all documents that do not fall within the scope of your objection and respond to the remainder of the request to which you do not object. If you object to any request on the ground of overbreadth, you shall respond to the request as narrowed to conform to your objection within the time period allowed for a response.

- 8. If no documents responsive to a request exist, please state that no responsive documents exist.
- 9. Regardless of any verb tense used in the document requests, these Requests are intended to cover all documents in existence or effect at any time during the Relevant Time Period. That is, in the event that the documents responsive to a request have changed over the time period for which the request has been made, produce all responsive documents even if they reflect policies that are no longer in effect.
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affiliation of each person who destroyed or disposed of the document; and (j) The request or requests to which the document is responsive.

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to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.

- claim of privilege pursuant to the preceding instruction, any non-privileged portion of such document must be produced with the portion claimed to be privileged redacted. For each such document, please provide a redaction log identifying: (a) The nature of the privilege or protection claimed; (b) The nature and identity of the attorney (or other appropriate party) with respect to whom the privilege or protection is claimed; (c) A brief description sufficient to identify the type, subject matter, and purpose of the redacted information; (d) The basis for claiming the privilege or protection as to the specific information involved in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the non-producing party to assess the claim; (e) Each person who has knowledge of such information or to whom such information has been communicated in any way at any time; and (f) Other information sufficient to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.
- 14. These Requests are continuing in nature and you are required to supplement your responses to these Requests in a continuing and timely manner. Accordingly, if you obtain or become aware of additional information or responsive documents at any time after serving a response, you are required to promptly serve a further response supplementing or revising your initial response and provide such additional responsive documents.

# **REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS**

- 1) All communications You have had with RIDOT pertaining to voids in the grout surrounding the post-tensioning cables regarding the Washington Bridge.
- 2) All communications You have had with RIDOT pertaining to corrosion concerns with any component of the post-tensioning system of the Washington Bridge, including but not limited to the post-tensioned cables.
- 3) All time sheets for each engineer involved in any project performed by You or Your contractors on the Washington Bridge.
- 4) All supporting data used for any reports You prepared during the work you performed on the Washington Bridge, including test data, inspection data, internal notes, and records.
- 5) All documents related to the evaluation of the existing cantilever beams at Abutment 1, piers 2-6, and piers 8-13 in Your possession, including but not limited to the names, dates, and hours for Your employees and subconsultant employees related to this topic and all meetings and correspondence related to this topic.
- 6) All documents related to the evaluation of the existing tie-down assemblies at Abutment 1, piers 2-6, and piers 8-13 in Your possession, including but not limited to the names, dates, and hours for Your employees and subconsultant employees related to this topic and all meetings and correspondence related to this topic.
- 7) All internal memoranda, emails, reports, meeting minutes, and other communications documenting Your concerns about the Washington Bridge's structural integrity at any point in time.
- 8) All inspection reports, engineering analyses, test results, and other documents that identify, describe, or evaluate the presence of voids in the concrete grout surrounding the post-tensioning cables, including any documents that assess how these voids impact the Washington Bridge's structural integrity.
- 9) All engineering reports, risk assessments, analyses, and other documents that discuss or evaluate the potential consequences of corrosion in the post-tensioning cables and/or how this affects the Washington Bridge's safety.
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- 11) All documents related to inspections of the existing Washington Bridge that were considered but not performed due to cost, constructability, traffic interruptions, and/or other reasons.
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- 13) All documents, including but not limited to policies, procedures, correspondence, meeting minutes, inspection protocols, and oversight reports that identify RIDOT's oversight provided during Your work with the Washington Bridge.
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- 15) All documents, including but not limited to risk assessment protocols, reports, analyses, and resulting recommendations related to risk assessments conducted for the Washington Bridge's critical areas.
- 16) All documents, including but not limited to inspection protocols, testing methodologies, equipment specifications, and industry standards that describe methods that should have been employed to properly assess the condition of the post-tensioned cables and grout over the years.
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- 18) All contracts, agreements, correspondence, and other documents that define the roles and responsibilities of the various engineering firms involved in inspecting and designing repairs for the Washington Bridge over the years.
- 19) All documents in support of Your contention that any other entity is liable, in whole or in part, for any of the allegations asserted against You in the Amended Complaint.

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# PLAINTIFF STATE OF RHODE ISLAND'S FIRST SET OF REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANT PRIME AE GROUP, INC.

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Defendants	<i>)</i> )

## PLAINTIFF STATE OF RHODE ISLAND'S FIRST SET OF REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANT STEERE ENGINEERING, INC.

Pursuant to Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure 26 and 34, plaintiff the State of Rhode Island ("Plaintiff") requests that defendant STEERE ENGINEERING, INC., produce the following documents for inspection and copying, within forty (40) days of service, at the offices of Savage Law Partners, LLP, 564 South Water Street, Providence, RI 02903, or at such other location that the parties may mutually designate in writing.

### **DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. The definitions and rules of construction set forth in Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure are hereby incorporated and shall apply to Plaintiff's First Set of Requests for Production (hereinafter, the "Requests"). These definitions shall apply throughout the Requests without regard to capitalization.
- 2. As used in the Requests, the following terms are to be interpreted in accordance with the following definitions:
  - (a) "RIDOT" refers to the Rhode Island Department of Transportation.
  - (b) "Washington Bridge" references the I-195 westbound bridge as described in the Amended Complaint.
  - (c) "Defendant" means STEERE ENGINEERING, INC., and all of its parents, U.S. and non-U.S. subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, predecessors, successors, officers, directors, employees, agents, partners, limited partners, and independent contractors, as well as aliases, trade names, or business names used by, or formerly used by, any of the foregoing.
  - (d) "Electronically stored information" or "ESI" refers to any portion of data available on a computer or other device capable of storing electronic data. "Electronically stored information" includes, but is not limited to, email (whether conducted using company email addresses or conducted through an individual, non-company account (e.g., Gmail)), spreadsheets, databases, word processing documents, images, presentations, application files, executable files, log files, and all other files present on any type of device capable of storing electronic data. Devices capable of storing electronically stored information include, but are not limited to: servers, desktop computers, portable computers, handheld computers, flash memory devices, wireless communication devices, pagers, workstations, minicomputers, mainframes, and all other forms of online or offline storage, whether on or off company premises. ESI is meant to include instant messages, cell phone text messages, voicemail messages, and similar types of messages. ESI is also meant to include any records of such communications or messages, including phone records. For any document kept in electronic form, the term "document" includes any metadata associated with the document.
  - (e) "Employee" means, without limitation, current and former officers, directors, executives, managers, analysts, supervisors, department heads, sales personnel, secretaries, clerical staff, messengers, agents, attorneys, representatives, or any person acting or authorized to act on behalf of Defendant.

- (f) "Person" is defined as any natural person or any business, legal, or governmental entity or association.
- (g) "You" or "your" means Defendant.
- 3. All documents produced for inspection shall be produced as they are kept in the usual course of business or shall be organized and labeled to correspond to the categories in the particular document requests, as required by Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. Documents attached to one another shall not be separated for production, the sequence of the documents shall not be disturbed from the condition in which they are normally kept, and all folders and containers for the documents shall be produced as well as the documents in the folders and containers.
- 4. In producing documents and ESI, you are requested to furnish all documents, ESI, or things in your possession, custody or control, regardless of the physical location of the documents or ESI, or whether such documents or ESI or other materials are possessed directly by you or your current and former directors, officers, agents, employees, representatives, subsidiaries, managing agents, affiliates, investigators, or by your current and former attorneys or their agents, employees, representatives, or investigators.
  - 5. All ESI shall be produced in a format to be agreed upon by the parties.
- 6. Any alteration of a requested document, including any marginal notes, handwritten notes, underlining, date stamps, received stamps, endorsed or filed stamps, drafts, revisions, modifications and other versions of a final document, is a separate and distinct document and should be produced.
- 7. If you object to any of these Requests, state your specific objection and clearly indicate whether you are complying with the request notwithstanding your objection, pursuant to

the requirements of the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. If your objection goes to only part of the request, produce all documents that do not fall within the scope of your objection and respond to the remainder of the request to which you do not object. If you object to any request on the ground of overbreadth, you shall respond to the request as narrowed to conform to your objection within the time period allowed for a response.

- 8. If no documents responsive to a request exist, please state that no responsive documents exist.
- 9. Regardless of any verb tense used in the document requests, these Requests are intended to cover all documents in existence or effect at any time during the Relevant Time Period. That is, in the event that the documents responsive to a request have changed over the time period for which the request has been made, produce all responsive documents even if they reflect policies that are no longer in effect.
- destroyed, discarded, or otherwise disposed of, you should produce a copy of your document retention policy applicable during the Relevant Time Period and provide a list setting forth as to each such document the following information: (a) The nature of the document (*e.g.*, email, memorandum, etc.); (b) The name, address, occupation, title, and business affiliation of each person who prepared, received, viewed, has knowledge of the contents of, or had possession, custody, or control of the document; (c) The date of the document; (d) The identification number of the document, if any; (e) A description of the subject matter of the document; (f) The date of destruction or other disposition; (g) A statement of the reasons for destruction or other disposition; (h) The name, address, occupation, title, and business affiliation of each person who authorized destruction or other disposition; (i) The name, address, occupation, title, and business

affiliation of each person who destroyed or disposed of the document; and (j) The request or requests to which the document is responsive.

- 11. You are specifically instructed to search all document management systems, computer archives, and/or backup tapes or disks for documents responsive to the following requests, and production of such documents should be made regardless of whether such documents exist in tangible or "hard" copy form. Production is also sought regardless of whether the user purported to "delete" the document, if such document is capable of being retrieved from archives and/or backup tapes or disks.
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to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.

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- 14. These Requests are continuing in nature and you are required to supplement your responses to these Requests in a continuing and timely manner. Accordingly, if you obtain or become aware of additional information or responsive documents at any time after serving a response, you are required to promptly serve a further response supplementing or revising your initial response and provide such additional responsive documents.

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- 3) All time sheets for each engineer involved in any project performed by You or Your contractors on the Washington Bridge.
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- 6) All documents related to the evaluation of the existing tie-down assemblies at Abutment 1, piers 2-6, and piers 8-13 in Your possession, including but not limited to the names, dates, and hours for Your employees and subconsultant employees related to this topic and all meetings and correspondence related to this topic.
- 7) All internal memoranda, emails, reports, meeting minutes, and other communications documenting Your concerns about the Washington Bridge's structural integrity at any point in time.
- 8) All inspection reports, engineering analyses, test results, and other documents that identify, describe, or evaluate the presence of voids in the concrete grout surrounding the post-tensioning cables, including any documents that assess how these voids impact the Washington Bridge's structural integrity.
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- 14) All documents, including but not limited to inspection protocols, reports, analyses, test results, and correspondence related to Your evaluation of the Washington Bridge's fracture-critical elements.
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- 18) All contracts, agreements, correspondence, and other documents that define the roles and responsibilities of the various engineering firms involved in inspecting and designing repairs for the Washington Bridge over the years.
- 19) All documents in support of Your contention that any other entity is liable, in whole or in part, for any of the allegations asserted against You in the Amended Complaint.

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 2025, I electronically served this document through the electronic filing system on counsel of record. The document is available for viewing and/or downloading from the Rhode Island Judiciary's electronic filing system.

/s/ Michael P. Robinson

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V.	) C.A. No. PC-2024-04526
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AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES, INC.,	
AETNA BRIDGE COMPANY,	)
ARIES SUPPORT SERVICES INC.,	
BARLETTA HEAVY DIVISION, INC.,	
BARLETTA/AETNA I-195 WASHINGTON	
BRIDGE NORTH PHASE 2 JV,	
COLLINS ENGINEERS, INC.,	
COMMONWEALTH ENGINEERS &	
CONSULTANTS, INC.,	
JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC.,	
MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.,	
PRIME AE GROUP, INC.,	
STEERE ENGINEERING, INC.,	
TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION, AND	
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ARIES SUPPORT SERVICES INC.,	)
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BARLETTA/AETNA I-195 WASHINGTON	, )
BRIDGE NORTH PHASE 2 JV,	)
COLLINS ENGINEERS, INC.,	)
COMMONWEALTH ENGINEERS &	)
CONSULTANTS, INC.,	)
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MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.,	)
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  - (d) "Electronically stored information" or "ESI" refers to any portion of data available on a computer or other device capable of storing electronic data. "Electronically stored information" includes, but is not limited to, email (whether conducted using company email addresses or conducted through an individual, non-company account (e.g., Gmail)), spreadsheets, databases, word processing documents, images, presentations, application files, executable files, log files, and all other files present on any type of device capable of storing electronic data. Devices capable of storing electronically stored information include, but are not limited to: servers, desktop computers, portable computers, handheld computers, flash memory devices, wireless communication devices, pagers, workstations, minicomputers, mainframes, and all other forms of online or offline storage, whether on or off company premises. ESI is meant to include instant messages, cell phone text messages, voicemail messages, and similar types of messages. ESI is also meant to include any records of such communications or messages, including phone records. For any document kept in electronic form, the term "document" includes any metadata associated with the document.
  - (e) "Employee" means, without limitation, current and former officers, directors, executives, managers, analysts, supervisors, department heads, sales personnel, secretaries, clerical staff, messengers, agents, attorneys, representatives, or any person acting or authorized to act on behalf of Defendant.

- (f) "Person" is defined as any natural person or any business, legal, or governmental entity or association.
- (g) "You" or "your" means Defendant.
- 3. All documents produced for inspection shall be produced as they are kept in the usual course of business or shall be organized and labeled to correspond to the categories in the particular document requests, as required by Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. Documents attached to one another shall not be separated for production, the sequence of the documents shall not be disturbed from the condition in which they are normally kept, and all folders and containers for the documents shall be produced as well as the documents in the folders and containers.
- 4. In producing documents and ESI, you are requested to furnish all documents, ESI, or things in your possession, custody or control, regardless of the physical location of the documents or ESI, or whether such documents or ESI or other materials are possessed directly by you or your current and former directors, officers, agents, employees, representatives, subsidiaries, managing agents, affiliates, investigators, or by your current and former attorneys or their agents, employees, representatives, or investigators.
  - 5. All ESI shall be produced in a format to be agreed upon by the parties.
- 6. Any alteration of a requested document, including any marginal notes, handwritten notes, underlining, date stamps, received stamps, endorsed or filed stamps, drafts, revisions, modifications and other versions of a final document, is a separate and distinct document and should be produced.
- 7. If you object to any of these Requests, state your specific objection and clearly indicate whether you are complying with the request notwithstanding your objection, pursuant to

the requirements of the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure. If your objection goes to only part of the request, produce all documents that do not fall within the scope of your objection and respond to the remainder of the request to which you do not object. If you object to any request on the ground of overbreadth, you shall respond to the request as narrowed to conform to your objection within the time period allowed for a response.

- 8. If no documents responsive to a request exist, please state that no responsive documents exist.
- 9. Regardless of any verb tense used in the document requests, these Requests are intended to cover all documents in existence or effect at any time during the Relevant Time Period. That is, in the event that the documents responsive to a request have changed over the time period for which the request has been made, produce all responsive documents even if they reflect policies that are no longer in effect.
- destroyed, discarded, or otherwise disposed of, you should produce a copy of your document retention policy applicable during the Relevant Time Period and provide a list setting forth as to each such document the following information: (a) The nature of the document (*e.g.*, email, memorandum, etc.); (b) The name, address, occupation, title, and business affiliation of each person who prepared, received, viewed, has knowledge of the contents of, or had possession, custody, or control of the document; (c) The date of the document; (d) The identification number of the document, if any; (e) A description of the subject matter of the document; (f) The date of destruction or other disposition; (g) A statement of the reasons for destruction or other disposition; (h) The name, address, occupation, title, and business affiliation of each person who authorized destruction or other disposition; (i) The name, address, occupation, title, and business

affiliation of each person who destroyed or disposed of the document; and (j) The request or requests to which the document is responsive.

- 11. You are specifically instructed to search all document management systems, computer archives, and/or backup tapes or disks for documents responsive to the following requests, and production of such documents should be made regardless of whether such documents exist in tangible or "hard" copy form. Production is also sought regardless of whether the user purported to "delete" the document, if such document is capable of being retrieved from archives and/or backup tapes or disks.
- 12. If you contend or believe that a privilege or other protection enables you to withhold any document sought by a request, you must produce a log containing the following information: (a) The nature of the privilege or protection claimed; (b) The nature and identity of the attorney (or other appropriate party) with respect to whom the privilege or protection is claimed; (c) The basis for claiming the privilege or protection as to the specific information or document involved in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the non-producing party, to assess the claim; (d) Each person who has knowledge of such information or to whom such information has been communicated in any way at any time; and (e) The following information about the purportedly privileged document: (i) The author, primary addressee, and secondary addressee or persons copied, including the relationship of those persons to any party in this litigation and/or author of the document; (ii) A brief description sufficient to identify the type, subject matter, and purpose of the document; (iii) All persons to whom its contents have been disclosed; (iv) The date the document was prepared, the date the document was sent, and the date the document was received; and (v) Other information sufficient

to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.

- claim of privilege pursuant to the preceding instruction, any non-privileged portion of such document must be produced with the portion claimed to be privileged redacted. For each such document, please provide a redaction log identifying: (a) The nature of the privilege or protection claimed; (b) The nature and identity of the attorney (or other appropriate party) with respect to whom the privilege or protection is claimed; (c) A brief description sufficient to identify the type, subject matter, and purpose of the redacted information; (d) The basis for claiming the privilege or protection as to the specific information involved in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the non-producing party to assess the claim; (e) Each person who has knowledge of such information or to whom such information has been communicated in any way at any time; and (f) Other information sufficient to enable a full assessment of the applicability of the privilege or protection claims, as required by the Rhode Island Superior Court Rules of Civil Procedure.
- 14. These Requests are continuing in nature and you are required to supplement your responses to these Requests in a continuing and timely manner. Accordingly, if you obtain or become aware of additional information or responsive documents at any time after serving a response, you are required to promptly serve a further response supplementing or revising your initial response and provide such additional responsive documents.

### **REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS**

- 1) All communications You have had with RIDOT pertaining to voids in the grout surrounding the post-tensioning cables regarding the Washington Bridge.
- 2) All communications You have had with RIDOT pertaining to corrosion concerns with any component of the post-tensioning system of the Washington Bridge, including but not limited to the post-tensioned cables.
- 3) All time sheets for each engineer involved in any project performed by You or Your contractors on the Washington Bridge.
- 4) All supporting data used for any reports You prepared during the work you performed on the Washington Bridge, including test data, inspection data, internal notes, and records.
- 5) All documents related to the evaluation of the existing cantilever beams at Abutment 1, piers 2-6, and piers 8-13 in Your possession, including but not limited to the names, dates, and hours for Your employees and subconsultant employees related to this topic and all meetings and correspondence related to this topic.
- 6) All documents related to the evaluation of the existing tie-down assemblies at Abutment 1, piers 2-6, and piers 8-13 in Your possession, including but not limited to the names, dates, and hours for Your employees and subconsultant employees related to this topic and all meetings and correspondence related to this topic.
- 7) All internal memoranda, emails, reports, meeting minutes, and other communications documenting Your concerns about the Washington Bridge's structural integrity at any point in time.
- 8) All inspection reports, engineering analyses, test results, and other documents that identify, describe, or evaluate the presence of voids in the concrete grout surrounding the post-tensioning cables, including any documents that assess how these voids impact the Washington Bridge's structural integrity.
- 9) All engineering reports, risk assessments, analyses, and other documents that discuss or evaluate the potential consequences of corrosion in the post-tensioning cables and/or how this affects the Washington Bridge's safety.
- 10) All inspection reports, photographs, field notes, correspondence, and other documents identifying deficiencies in any inspections of the Washington Bridge.
- 11) All documents related to inspections of the existing Washington Bridge that were considered but not performed due to cost, constructability, traffic interruptions, and/or other reasons.
- 12) All documents related to strategies for rehabilitation of the existing Washington Bridge that were considered but not performed due to cost, constructability, traffic interruptions, and/or other reasons.

- 13) All documents, including but not limited to policies, procedures, correspondence, meeting minutes, inspection protocols, and oversight reports that identify RIDOT's oversight provided during Your work with the Washington Bridge.
- 14) All documents, including but not limited to inspection protocols, reports, analyses, test results, and correspondence related to Your evaluation of the Washington Bridge's fracture-critical elements.
- 15) All documents, including but not limited to risk assessment protocols, reports, analyses, and resulting recommendations related to risk assessments conducted for the Washington Bridge's critical areas.
- 16) All documents, including but not limited to inspection protocols, testing methodologies, equipment specifications, and industry standards that describe methods that should have been employed to properly assess the condition of the post-tensioned cables and grout over the years.
- 17) All documents, including but not limited to internal reviews, third-party evaluations, and correspondence that reference any potential oversights or errors in the various inspections and rehabilitation plans developed for the Washington Bridge.
- 18) All contracts, agreements, correspondence, and other documents that define the roles and responsibilities of the various engineering firms involved in inspecting and designing repairs for the Washington Bridge over the years.
- 19) All documents in support of Your contention that any other entity is liable, in whole or in part, for any of the allegations asserted against You in the Amended Complaint.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 2025, I electronically served this document through the electronic filing system on counsel of record. The document is available for viewing and/or downloading from the Rhode Island Judiciary's electronic filing system.

/s/ Michael P. Robinson