

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**  
**CONTRACT NO. 455-22-1015A FOR**  
**PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS AND**  
**AARC CONSULTANTS, LLC.**

**THIS AMENDMENT NO. 1** to Contract No. 455-22-1015A (“Contract”) is entered into by and between the State of Texas, acting through the Railroad Commission of Texas (“RRC”), located at 1701 N. Congress Ave., Austin, Texas and AARC Consultants, LLC. (“Vendor”), located at 2000 West Sam Houston Parkway South, Suite 850, Houston, TX 77042 (individually “Party”; collectively “Parties”).

**WHEREAS, SECTION 7.06.** of the Contract provides the Parties may amend the Contract through written agreement; and

**WHEREAS,** the Parties desire to further amend the Contract terms to their mutual benefit to reflect changed circumstances.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Parties agree to amend the Contract as follows:

I. **SECTION 2.01. CONTRACT AWARD.**, subparagraph (a.) is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“This Contract shall be effective as of March 7, 2022, through August 31, 2024 (reflecting the original term of the Contract plus the exercised optional renewal term one of three; collectively, “Contract Term”) unless terminated earlier as provided in RFQ No. 455-22-1015 Part III and/or section **2.02 TERMINATION.**, set forth below.

This Contract may be extended only through written amendment to the Contract, fully executed prior to the expiration of the Contract Term in effect prior to execution of the applicable Amendment to the Contract.

RRC reserves the right to renew the Contract for two (2) additional, one-year renewal terms remaining of the original three (3) one-year renewal terms, in accordance with the renewal term schedule below.

2nd Renewal Term: September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2025  
3rd Renewal Term: September 1, 2025, through August 31, 2026”

Except as expressly amended above, all provisions of the Contract, as amended, remain in full force and effect. In the event of a conflict among provisions of the Contract, the order of precedence shall be: this Amendment No. 1; and then the original Contract in accordance with section **1.03. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE.**, therein.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the Parties hereto have affixed their signatures to this Amendment No. 1 to the Contract. *Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, this Amendment shall take effect no earlier than August 22, 2023, the date of the next open meeting of the Railroad Commission of Texas.* In anticipation that this Amendment is likely to be approved by RRC’s governing body at the next open meeting, RRC’s authorized representative may elect for convenience and to expedite the execution of this Amendment to sign on the line below prior to said date. *If RRC’s authorized representative below elects to sign this Amendment prior to the date of the next open meeting, RRC’s representative certifies that his or her authority to enter into this Amendment is expressly contingent on approval of this Amendment by the Commission at the next open meeting. If the Commission approves this Amendment, signature authority for RRC is effective on the date of August 22, 2023, or the date that RRC’s representative signs below, whichever occurs last. The Parties agree that execution of this Amendment is contingent on Commission approval. If the Commission does not approve this Amendment at the next open meeting, this Amendment shall not take effect.* Otherwise, by the signatures below, each signatory represents and warrants that they have the authority as of the date of their respective signature to enter into this Amendment on behalf of the respective Parties.

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

**AARC CONSULTANTS, LLC**

DocuSigned by:  
By: Wei Wang  
Wei Wang, 43207678801444...  
Executive Director

DocuSigned by:  
By: Rick Chainani  
Rick Chainani, ...  
President

Date of Execution: 8/7/2023

Date of Execution: 8/5/2023

RRC use only below this line.

Division Director: DS  
Asst. Executive Director: KL  
Director of Operations: TL  
Office of General Counsel: DS

Date: 8/2/2023  
Date: 8/2/2023  
Date: 8/1/2023  
Date: 8/2/2023