

**AGREEMENT FOR CONTRACT SERVICES
BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND
EMPLOYERS GROUP SERVICE CORP.**

THIS AGREEMENT FOR CONTRACT SERVICES (herein "Agreement") is made and entered into this 12th day of May, 2021 by and between the CITY OF CARSON, a California municipal corporation ("City") and Employers Group Service Corp., a California corporation ("Consultant"). City and Consultant are sometimes hereinafter individually referred to as "Party" and hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Parties."

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. SERVICES OF CONSULTANT

1.1 Scope of Services. In compliance with all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Consultant shall perform the work or services set forth in the "Scope of Services" attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference. Consultant warrants that it has the experience and ability to perform all work and services required hereunder and that it shall diligently perform such work and services in a professional and satisfactory manner.

1.2 Compliance with Law. All work and services rendered hereunder shall be provided in accordance with all ordinances, resolutions, statutes, rules, and regulations of the City and any Federal, State or local governmental agency of competent jurisdiction.

1.3 Licenses, Permits, Fees and Assessments. Consultant shall obtain at its sole cost and expense such licenses, permits, and approvals as may be required by law for the performance of the services required by the Agreement.

1.4 Special Requirements. Additional terms and conditions of this Agreement, if any, which are made a part hereof are set forth in the "Special Requirements" attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and incorporated herein by this reference. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of Exhibit "B" and any other provisions of this Agreement, the provisions of Exhibit "B" shall govern.

2. COMPENSATION

2.1 Contract Sum. For the services rendered pursuant to this Agreement, Consultant shall be compensated in accordance with the "Schedule of Compensation" attached hereto as Exhibit "C" and incorporated herein by this reference, but not exceeding the maximum contract amount of Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$8,700.00) ("Contract Sum").

2.2 Invoices. Each month Consultant shall furnish to City an original invoice for all work performed and expenses incurred during the preceding month in a form approved by City's Director of Finance. By submitting an invoice for payment under this Agreement, Consultant is certifying compliance with all provisions of the Agreement. The invoice shall

detail charges for all necessary and actual expenses by the following categories: labor (by sub-category), travel, materials, equipment, supplies, and subcontractor contracts. Subcontractor charges shall also be detailed by such categories. Consultant shall not invoice City for any duplicate services performed by more than one person.

City shall independently review each invoice submitted by the Consultant to determine whether the work performed and expenses incurred are in compliance with the provisions of this Agreement. Except as to any charges for work performed or expenses incurred by Consultant which are disputed by City, City will use its best efforts to cause Consultant to be paid within forty five (45) days of receipt of Consultant's correct and undisputed invoice; however, Consultant acknowledges and agrees that due to City warrant run procedures, the City cannot guarantee that payment will occur within this time period. In the event any charges or expenses are disputed by City, the original invoice shall be returned by City to Consultant for correction and resubmission. Review and payment by the City of any invoice provided by the Consultant shall not constitute a waiver of any rights or remedies provided herein or any applicable law.

2.3 Additional Services. City shall have the right at any time during the performance of the services, without invalidating this Agreement, to order extra work beyond that specified in the Scope of Services or make changes by altering, adding to or deducting from said work. No such extra work may be undertaken unless a written order is first given by the Contract Officer to the Consultant, incorporating therein any adjustment in (i) the Contract Sum for the actual cost of the extra work, and/or (ii) the time to perform this Agreement, which said adjustments are subject to the written approval of the Consultant. Any increase in compensation of up to ten percent (10%) of the Contract Sum but not exceeding a total contract amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) or in the time to perform of up to ninety (90) days may be approved by the Contract Officer. Any greater increases, taken either separately or cumulatively, must be approved by the City Council. No claim for an increase in the Contract Sum or time for performance shall be valid unless the procedures established in this Section are followed.

3. PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

3.1 Time of Essence. Time is of the essence in the performance of this Agreement.

3.2 Schedule of Performance. Consultant shall commence the services pursuant to this Agreement upon receipt of a written notice to proceed and shall perform all services within the time period(s) established in the "Schedule of Performance" attached hereto as Exhibit "D" and incorporated herein by this reference. When requested by the Consultant, extensions to the time period(s) specified in the Schedule of Performance may be approved in writing by the Contract Officer but not exceeding thirty (30) days cumulatively.

3.3 Force Majeure. The time period(s) specified in the Schedule of Performance for performance of the services rendered pursuant to this Agreement shall be extended because of any delays due to unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Consultant, including, but not restricted to, acts of God or of the public enemy, unusually severe weather, fires, earthquakes, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, riots, strikes, freight embargoes, wars, litigation, and/or acts of any governmental agency, including the City, if the Consultant shall within ten (10) days of the commencement of such

delay notify the Contract Officer in writing of the causes of the delay. The Contract Officer shall ascertain the facts and the extent of delay, and extend the time for performing the services for the period of the enforced delay when and if in the judgment of the Contract Officer such delay is justified. The Contract Officer's determination shall be final and conclusive upon the parties to this Agreement. In no event shall Consultant be entitled to recover damages against the City for any delay in the performance of this Agreement, however caused, Consultant's sole remedy being extension of the Agreement pursuant to this Section.

3.4 Term. Unless earlier terminated in accordance with Article 7 of this Agreement, this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until completion of the services but not exceeding one (1) year from the date hereof, except as otherwise provided in the Schedule of Performance (Exhibit "D").

4. COORDINATION OF WORK

4.1 Representative of Consultant. William C. Stephens is hereby designated as being the representative of Consultant authorized to act on its behalf with respect to the work and services specified herein and make all decisions in connection therewith. All personnel of Consultant and any authorized agents shall be under the exclusive direction of the representative of Consultant. Consultant shall utilize only competent personnel to perform services pursuant to this Agreement. Consultant shall make every reasonable effort to maintain the stability and continuity of Consultant's staff and subcontractors, and shall keep City informed of any changes.

4.2 Contract Officer. The Senior Human Resource Analyst, Pierre Demian, or such person as may be designated by the City Manager, is hereby designated as being the representative the City authorized to act in its behalf with respect to the work and services specified herein and to make all decisions in connection therewith ("Contract Officer").

4.3 Prohibition Against Subcontracting or Assignment. Consultant shall not contract with any entity to perform in whole or in part the work or services required hereunder without the express written approval of the City. Neither this Agreement nor any interest herein may be assigned or transferred, voluntarily or by operation of law, without the prior written approval of City. Any such prohibited assignment or transfer shall be void.

4.4 Independent Consultant. Neither the City nor any of its employees shall have any control over the manner, mode or means by which Consultant, its agents or employees, perform the services required herein, except as otherwise set forth. Consultant shall perform all services required herein as an independent contractor of City with only such obligations as are consistent with that role. Consultant shall not at any time or in any manner represent that it or any of its agents or employees are agents or employees of City, or that it is a member of a joint enterprise with City.

5. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

5.1 Insurance Coverages. The Consultant shall procure and maintain, at its sole cost and expense, in a form and content satisfactory to City, during the entire term of this Agreement including any extension thereof, the following policies of insurance which shall cover all elected and appointed officers, employees and agents of City:

(a) Commercial General Liability Insurance (Occurrence Form CG0001 or equivalent). A policy of comprehensive general liability insurance written on a per occurrence basis for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. The policy of insurance shall be in an amount not less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence or if a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this contract/location, or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the occurrence limit.

(b) Worker's Compensation Insurance. A policy of worker's compensation insurance in such amount as will fully comply with the laws of the State of California and which shall indemnify, insure and provide legal defense for the Consultant against any loss, claim or damage arising from any injuries or occupational diseases occurring to any worker employed by or any persons retained by the Consultant in the course of carrying out the work or services contemplated in this Agreement.

(c) Automotive Insurance (Form CA 0001 (Ed 1/87) including "any auto" and endorsement CA 0025 or equivalent). A policy of comprehensive automobile liability insurance written on a per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage in an amount not less than either (i) bodily injury liability limits of \$100,000 per person and \$300,000 per occurrence and property damage liability limits of \$150,000 per occurrence or (ii) combined single limit liability of \$1,000,000. Said policy shall include coverage for owned, non-owned, leased, hired cars, and any other automobile.

(d) Professional Liability. Professional liability insurance appropriate to the Consultant's profession. This coverage may be written on a "claims made" basis, and must include coverage for contractual liability. The professional liability insurance required by this Agreement must be endorsed to be applicable to claims based upon, arising out of or related to services performed under this Agreement. The insurance must be maintained for at least 5 consecutive years following the completion of Consultant's services or the termination of this Agreement. During this additional 5-year period, Consultant shall annually and upon request of the City submit written evidence of this continuous coverage.

(e) Additional Insurance. Policies of such other insurance, as may be required in the Special Requirements in Exhibit "B".

(f) Subcontractors. Consultant shall include all subcontractors as insureds under its policies or shall furnish separate certificates and certified endorsements for each subcontractor. All coverages for subcontractors shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein.

5.2 General Insurance Requirements.

All of the above policies of insurance shall be primary insurance and shall name the City, its elected and appointed officers, employees and agents as additional insureds and any insurance maintained by City or its officers, employees or agents may apply in excess of, and not contribute with Consultant's insurance. The insurer is deemed hereof to waive all rights of subrogation and contribution it may have against the City, its officers, employees and agents and their respective insurers. The insurance policy must specify that where the primary insured does not satisfy the self-insured retention, any additional insured may satisfy the self-insured

retention. All of said policies of insurance shall provide that said insurance may not be amended or cancelled by the insurer or any party hereto without providing thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail return receipt requested to the City. In the event any of said policies of insurance are cancelled, the Consultant shall, prior to the cancellation date, submit new evidence of insurance in conformance with this Section 5.1 to the Contract Officer. No work or services under this Agreement shall commence until the Consultant has provided the City with Certificates of Insurance, additional insured endorsement forms or appropriate insurance binders evidencing the above insurance coverages and said Certificates of Insurance or binders are approved by the City. City reserves the right to inspect complete, certified copies of and endorsement to all required insurance policies at any time. Any failure to comply with the reporting or other provisions of the policies including breaches or warranties shall not affect coverage provided to City.

The insurance required by this Agreement shall be satisfactory only if issued by companies qualified to do business in California, rated "A" or better in the most recent edition of Best Rating Guide, The Key Rating Guide or in the Federal Register, and only if they are of a financial category Class VII or better, unless such requirements are waived by the City's Risk Manager or other designee of the City due to unique circumstances.

5.3 Indemnification. To the full extent permitted by law, Consultant agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees and agents ("Indemnified Parties") against, and will hold and save them and each of them harmless from, any and all actions, either judicial, administrative, arbitration or regulatory claims, damages to persons or property, losses, costs, penalties, obligations, errors, omissions or liabilities whether actual or threatened (herein "claims or liabilities") that may be asserted or claimed by any person, firm or entity arising out of or in connection with the negligent performance of the work, operations or activities provided herein of Consultant, its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors, invitees, or any individual or entity for which Consultant is legally liable ("indemnitors"), or arising from Consultant's or indemnitors' reckless or willful misconduct, or arising from Consultant's or indemnitors' negligent performance of or failure to perform any term, provision, covenant or condition of this Agreement, except claims or liabilities occurring as a result of City's sole negligence or willful acts or omissions. The indemnity obligation shall be binding on successors and assigns of Consultant and shall survive termination of this Agreement.

6. RECORDS, REPORTS, AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION

6.1 Records. Consultant shall keep, and require subcontractors to keep, such ledgers, books of accounts, invoices, vouchers, canceled checks, reports, studies or other documents relating to the disbursements charged to City and services performed hereunder (the "books and records"), as shall be necessary to perform the services required by this Agreement and enable the Contract Officer to evaluate the performance of such services and shall keep such records for a period of three years following completion of the services hereunder. The Contract Officer shall have full and free access to such books and records at all times during normal business hours of City, including the right to inspect, copy, audit and make records and transcripts from such records.

6.2 Reports. Consultant shall periodically prepare and submit to the Contract Officer such reports concerning the performance of the services required by this Agreement or as the Contract Officer shall require.

6.3 Confidentiality and Release of Information.

(a) All information gained or work product produced by Consultant in performance of this Agreement shall be considered confidential, unless such information is in the public domain or already known to Consultant. Consultant shall not release or disclose any such information or work product to persons or entities other than the City without prior written authorization from the Contract Officer.

(b) Consultant shall not, without prior written authorization from the Contract Officer or unless requested by the City Attorney, voluntarily provide documents, declarations, letters of support, testimony at depositions, response to interrogatories or other information concerning the work performed under this Agreement. Response to a subpoena or court order shall not be considered "voluntary" provided Consultant gives the City notice of such court order or subpoena.

(c) If Consultant provides any information or work product in violation of this Agreement, then the City shall have the right to reimbursement and indemnity from Consultant for any damages, costs and fees, including attorney's fees, caused by or incurred as a result of Consultant's conduct.

(d) Consultant shall promptly notify the City should Consultant be served with any summons, complaint, subpoena, notice of deposition, request for documents, interrogatories, request for admissions or other discovery request, court order or subpoena from any party regarding this Agreement and the work performed thereunder. The City retains the right, but has no obligation, to represent Consultant or be present at any deposition, hearing or similar proceeding. Consultant agrees to cooperate fully with the City and to provide the City with the opportunity to review any response to discovery requests provided by Consultant.

6.4 Ownership of Documents. All studies, surveys, data, notes, computer files, reports, records, drawings, specifications, maps, designs, photographs, documents and other materials (the "documents and materials") prepared by Consultant in the performance of this Agreement shall be the property of the City and shall be delivered to the City upon request of the Contract Officer or upon the termination of this Agreement, and Consultant shall have no claim for further employment or additional compensation as a result of the exercise by the City of its full rights of ownership use, reuse, or assignment of the documents and materials hereunder. Moreover, Consultant with respect to any documents and materials that may qualify as "works made for hire" as defined in 17 U.S.C. § 101, such documents and materials are hereby deemed "works made for hire" for the City.

7. ENFORCEMENT OF AGREEMENT AND TERMINATION

7.1 California Law. This Agreement shall be interpreted, construed and governed both as to validity and to performance of the parties in accordance with the laws of the State of California. Legal actions concerning any dispute, claim or matter arising out of or in relation to this Agreement shall be instituted in the Superior Court of the County of Los Angeles,

State of California. In the event of litigation in a U.S. District Court, venue shall lie exclusively in the Central District of California, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California.

7.2 Disputes; Default. In the event that Consultant is in default under the terms of this Agreement, the City shall not have any obligation or duty to continue compensating Consultant for any work performed after the date of default. Instead, the City may give notice to Consultant of the default and the reasons for the default. The notice shall include the timeframe in which Consultant may cure the default. This timeframe is presumptively thirty (30) days, but may be extended, if circumstances warrant. During the period of time that Consultant is in default, the City shall hold all invoices and shall, when the default is cured, proceed with payment on the invoices. If Consultant does not cure the default, the City may take necessary steps to terminate this Agreement under this Article.

7.3 Legal Action. In addition to any other rights or remedies, either party may take legal action, in law or in equity, to cure, correct or remedy any default, to recover damages for any default, to compel specific performance of this Agreement, to obtain declaratory or injunctive relief, or to obtain any other remedy consistent with the purposes of this Agreement. Notwithstanding any contrary provision herein, Consultant shall file a statutory claim pursuant to Government Code Sections 905 et. seq. and 910 et. seq., in order to pursue any legal action under this Agreement.

Except with respect to rights and remedies expressly declared to be exclusive in this Agreement, the rights and remedies of the parties are cumulative and the exercise by either party of one or more of such rights or remedies shall not preclude the exercise by it, at the same or different times, of any other rights or remedies for the same default or any other default by the other party.

7.4 Termination Prior to Expiration of Term. This Section shall govern any termination of this Contract except as specifically provided in the following Section for termination for cause. The City reserves the right to terminate this Contract at any time, with or without cause, upon thirty (30) days' written notice to Consultant, except that where termination is due to the fault of the Consultant, the period of notice may be such shorter time as may be determined by the Contract Officer. In addition, the Consultant reserves the right to terminate this Contract at any time, with or without cause, upon sixty (60) days' written notice to City, except that where termination is due to the fault of the City, the period of notice may be such shorter time as the Consultant may determine. Upon receipt of any notice of termination, Consultant shall immediately cease all services hereunder except such as may be specifically approved by the Contract Officer. Except where the Consultant has initiated termination, the Consultant shall be entitled to compensation for all services rendered prior to the effective date of the notice of termination and for any services authorized by the Contract Officer thereafter in accordance with the Schedule of Compensation or such as may be approved by the Contract Officer. In the event the Consultant has initiated termination, the Consultant shall be entitled to compensation only for the reasonable value of the work product actually produced hereunder, but not exceeding the compensation provided therefore in the Schedule of Compensation Exhibit "C". In the event of termination without cause pursuant to this Section, the terminating party need not provide the non-terminating party with the opportunity to cure pursuant to Section 7.2.

7.5 Termination for Default of Consultant. If termination is due to the failure of the Consultant to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement, City may, after compliance with the provisions of Section 7.2, take over the work and prosecute the same to completion by contract or otherwise, and the Consultant shall be liable to the extent that the total cost for completion of the services required hereunder exceeds the compensation herein stipulated (provided that the City shall use reasonable efforts to mitigate such damages), and City may withhold any payments to the Consultant for the purpose of set-off or partial payment of the amounts owed the City as previously stated.

8. MISCELLANEOUS

8.1 Covenant Against Discrimination. Consultant covenants that, by and for itself, its heirs, executors, assigns and all persons claiming under or through them, that there shall be no discrimination against or segregation of, any person or group of persons on account of race, color, creed, religion, sex, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, national origin, ancestry, or other protected class in the performance of this Agreement. Consultant shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, creed, religion, sex, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, national origin, ancestry, or other protected class.

8.2 Non-liability of City Officers and Employees. No officer or employee of the City shall be personally liable to the Consultant, or any successor in interest, in the event of any default or breach by the City or for any amount, which may become due to the Consultant or to its successor, or for breach of any obligation of the terms of this Agreement.

8.3 Notice. Any notice, demand, request, document, consent, approval, or communication either party desires or is required to give to the other party or any other person shall be in writing and either served personally or sent by prepaid, first-class mail, in the case of the City, to the City Manager and to the attention of the Contract Officer (with her/his name and City title), City of Carson, 701 East Carson, Carson, California 90745 and in the case of the Consultant, to the person(s) at the address designated on the execution page of this Agreement. Either party may change its address by notifying the other party of the change of address in writing. Notice shall be deemed communicated at the time personally delivered or in seventy-two (72) hours from the time of mailing if mailed as provided in this Section.

8.4 Integration; Amendment. It is understood that there are no oral agreements between the parties hereto affecting this Agreement and this Agreement supersedes and cancels any and all previous negotiations, arrangements, agreements and understandings, if any, between the parties, and none shall be used to interpret this Agreement. This Agreement may be amended at any time by the mutual consent of the parties by an instrument in writing.

8.5 Severability. In the event that part of this Agreement shall be declared invalid or unenforceable by a valid judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any of the remaining portions of this Agreement which are hereby declared as severable and shall be interpreted to carry out the intent of the parties hereunder unless the invalid provision is so material that its invalidity deprives either party of the basic benefit of their bargain or renders this Agreement meaningless.

8.6 Waiver. No delay or omission in the exercise of any right or remedy by non-defaulting party on any default shall impair such right or remedy or be construed as a waiver. A party's consent to or approval of any act by the other party requiring the party's consent or approval shall not be deemed to waive or render unnecessary the other party's consent to or approval of any subsequent act. Any waiver by either party of any default must be in writing and shall not be a waiver of any other default concerning the same or any other provision of this Agreement.

8.7 Attorneys' Fees. If either party to this Agreement is required to initiate or defend or made a party to any action or proceeding in any way connected with this Agreement, the prevailing party in such action or proceeding, in addition to any other relief which any be granted, whether legal or equitable, shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees, whether or not the matter proceeds to judgment.

8.8 Interpretation.

The terms of this Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the meaning of the language used and shall not be construed for or against either party by reason of the authorship of this Agreement or any other rule of construction which might otherwise apply.

8.9 Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and such counterparts shall constitute one and the same instrument.

8.10 Warranty & Representation of Non-Collusion. No official, officer, or employee of City has any financial interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement, nor shall any official, officer, or employee of City participate in any decision relating to this Agreement which may affect his/her financial interest or the financial interest of any corporation, partnership, or association in which (s)he is directly or indirectly interested, or in violation of any corporation, partnership, or association in which (s)he is directly or indirectly interested, or in violation of any State or municipal statute or regulation. The determination of "financial interest" shall be consistent with State law and shall not include interests found to be "remote" or "noninterests" pursuant to Government Code Sections 1091 or 1091.5. Consultant warrants and represents that it has not paid or given, and will not pay or give, to any third party including, but not limited to, any City official, officer, or employee, any money, consideration, or other thing of value as a result or consequence of obtaining or being awarded any agreement. Consultant further warrants and represents that (s)he/it has not engaged in any act(s), omission(s), or other conduct or collusion that would result in the payment of any money, consideration, or other thing of value to any third party including, but not limited to, any City official, officer, or employee, as a result of consequence of obtaining or being awarded any agreement. Consultant is aware of and understands that any such act(s), omission(s) or other conduct resulting in such payment of money, consideration, or other thing of value will render this Agreement void and of no force or effect.

Consultant's Authorized Initials

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8.11 Corporate Authority. The persons executing this Agreement on behalf of the parties hereto warrant that (i) such party is duly organized and existing, (ii) they are duly

authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement on behalf of said party, (iii) by so executing this Agreement, such party is formally bound to the provisions of this Agreement, and (iv) the entering into this Agreement does not violate any provision of any other Agreement to which said party is bound. This Agreement shall be binding upon the heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns of the parties.

[Signatures on the following page.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the date(s) set forth below, with the express intent that this Agreement be effective as of July 1, 2021.

CITY:

CITY OF CARSON, a municipal corporation

Sharon Landers, City Manager

Date: Sept 30, 2021



ATTEST:

John W. Carroll, Sr.
John W. Carroll, Sr., Chief Deputy Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
ALESHIRE & WYNDER, LLP

Sunny K. Soltani
Sunny K. Soltani, City Attorney
[tc/ndp]

CONSULTANT:** **

EMPLOYMENT GROUP SERVICE CORP., a California corporation

By: Mark Wilbur
Name: Mark Wilbur
Title: President & CEO

By: William C. Stephens
Name: William C. Stephens
Title: Secretary
Address: 400 North Continental Blvd.
Suite 300
El Segundo, CA 90245
Date:

**Two corporate officer signatures required when Consultant is a corporation, with one signature required from each of the following groups: 1) Chairman of the Board, President or any Vice President; and 2) Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, Chief Financial Officer or any Assistant Treasurer.

***CONSULTANT'S SIGNATURES SHALL BE DULY NOTARIZED, AND APPROPRIATE ATTESTATIONS SHALL BE INCLUDED AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE BYLAWS, ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, OR OTHER RULES OR REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO CONSULTANT'S BUSINESS ENTITY.

CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy or validity of that document.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

On _____, 2021 before me, _____, personally appeared _____, proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose names(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature: _____

OPTIONAL

Though the data below is not required by law, it may prove valuable to persons relying on the document and could prevent fraudulent reattachment of this form

CAPACITY CLAIMED BY SIGNER

DESCRIPTION OF ATTACHED DOCUMENT

☐ INDIVIDUAL
☐ CORPORATE OFFICER

TITLE(S)

TITLE OR TYPE OF DOCUMENT

☐ PARTNER(S) ☐ LIMITED
☐ ATTORNEY-IN-FACT ☐ GENERAL
☐ TRUSTEE(S)
☐ GUARDIAN/CONSERVATOR
☐ OTHER _____

NUMBER OF PAGES

DATE OF DOCUMENT

SIGNER IS REPRESENTING:
(NAME OF PERSON(S) OR ENTITY(IES))

SIGNER(S) OTHER THAN NAMED ABOVE

EXHIBIT "A"

SCOPE OF SERVICES

I. Consultant will perform the following Unemployment Insurance Claims Administration Services:

A. Unemployment Insurance Claims Processing

1. Claims shall go directly to the Consultant, unless otherwise directed by the Contract Officer. The Consultant shall respond to each claim in manner that is timely and compliant with State law.
2. Consultant shall assign a Claims Specialist to the City's account to handle the daily duties of claims processing, interacting with the various State agencies, protesting claims, gathering necessary documentation from City records, and appealing for hearings, where necessary.

B. Hearing Representation – When a hearing is requested and granted, Consultant shall assign an experienced Hearing Representative to the case to prepare the City's witnesses and attend the hearing, either by phone or in person, as required by the State.

C. Appeals Board Representation – If the City deems necessary, the Consultant shall prepare a written appeal, and shall represent the City up to and including the last level of appeal to the State unemployment insurance board. For each anticipated appeal, provide the Contract Officer with an estimated timeline for the appeal process. If directed by the Contract Officer, prepare the written appeal. Provide a draft to the Contract Officer to allow the Contract Officer (and City Attorney's Office, if necessary) 14 days to review and provide comments. Obtain the Contract Officer's approval prior to filing the written appeal.

D. Auditing Accounts – Consultant shall provide auditing services to investigate and protest questionable charges on the City's account to avoid and correct the State's miscalculations. Consultant shall also audit the City's tax rates.

E. Reports – Consultant shall electronically provide (in PDF format) quarterly reports to track claims and hearing activity, track potential and actual account costs, and assist with identifying account issues.

F. Consulting – Consultant shall assign an Unemployment Insurance Claims Manager to manage the City's account, answer questions regarding unemployment insurance, and advise on difficult disciplinary actions and terminations. The Claims Manager shall also be available to discuss reports and advise on unemployment insurance issues.

- II. As part of the Services, Consultant will prepare and deliver the following tangible work products to the City:**
- A. Quarterly Reports** – Consultant shall electronically provide (in PDF format) quarterly reports to track claims and hearing activity, track potential and actual account costs, and assist with identifying account issues.
 - B. Written reports** regarding timely updates on hearings and appeals.
 - C. Claim summaries** at a frequency determined by the Contract Officer. Consultant shall also maintain accessibility to on-demand reports, including claims summaries on the Consultant's client-accessible web portal.
 - D. Report on auditing activity and issues**, annually (or more frequently if the Contract Officer deems necessary).
 - E. Appeals Board Representation** – Provide an estimated timeline for the appeal process on each claim that is anticipated to be appealed. If directed by the Contract Officer to prepare a written appeal, provide a draft of the written appeal to the Contract Officer for comments. Modify in accordance with the City's comments and concerns, and prior to filing the final written appeal, provide the final written appeal for the Contract Officer's approval.
- III. All work product is subject to review and acceptance by the City, and must be revised by the Consultant without additional charge to the City until found satisfactory and accepted by City.**
- IV. Consultant will utilize the following personnel to accomplish the Services:**
- A. Marquita Smith** (Claims Administrator)
 - B. Madison Apodaca** (Claims Manager)
 - C. William C. Stephens** (Client Service Director)
 - D. Hearing representatives** assigned by the Consultant on a case-by-case basis. To the extent hearing representatives are Consultant's independent contractors and not employees, Consultant is fully responsible for ensuring that work performed by such independent contractors are in compliance with this Agreement.

EXHIBIT "B"

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (Superseding Contract Boilerplate)

The Agreement is hereby amended as follows (deletions shown in ~~striketrough~~ and additions shown in ***bold italics***):

I. Section 2.2, "Invoices," of the Agreement is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

2.2 Invoices. Prior to the beginning of each quarter, Consultant shall furnish to City an original invoice for services to be rendered in the immediately upcoming quarter. To the extent necessary, quarterly invoices may include fees for services rendered in the prior quarter that were not covered by the prior quarter's invoice. Invoices shall be in a form approved by City's Director of Finance. By submitting an invoice for payment under this Agreement, Consultant is certifying compliance with all provisions of the Agreement. The invoice shall detail charges for all necessary and actual expenses by the following categories: labor (by sub-category), travel, materials, equipment, supplies, and subcontractor contracts. Subcontractor charges shall also be detailed by such categories. Consultant shall not invoice City for any duplicate services performed by more than one person.

City shall independently review each invoice submitted by the Consultant to determine whether the work to be performed and expenses to be incurred are in compliance with the provisions of this Agreement. Except as to any charges for work to be performed or expenses to be incurred by Consultant which are disputed by City, City will use its best efforts to cause Consultant to be paid within forty five (45) days of receipt of Consultant's correct and undisputed invoice; however, Consultant acknowledges and agrees that due to City warrant run procedures, the City cannot guarantee that payment will occur within this time period. In the event any charges or expenses are disputed by City, the original invoice shall be returned by City to Consultant for correction and resubmission. Review and payment by the City of any invoice provided by the Consultant shall not constitute a waiver of any rights or remedies provided herein or any applicable law."

II. Section 3.4, "Term," of the Agreement is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

3.4 Term. Unless earlier terminated in accordance with Article 7 of this Agreement, this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until completion of the services but not exceeding three (3) years from July 1, 2021, except as otherwise provided in the Schedule of Performance (Exhibit "D"). City may, in its sole discretion, extend the term of the Agreement for two (2) additional one-year terms, with the first extension period expiring on June 30, 2025 and the second extension period expiring on June 30, 2026."

EXHIBIT "C"

SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION

I. Consultant shall perform the following Services at the following rates:

A. For a flat fee of \$2,400 annually, which shall be invoiced at \$600.00 prior to the start of each quarter during which services will be rendered, the Consultant shall provide services as described in Exhibit "A" – Scope of Services. This flat fee includes:

1. Claims Processing for up to forty (40) non-protestable unemployment insurance (UI) claims per year.
2. Protest up to ten (10) UI claims per year
3. Hearing representation, in person, for one (1) case per year
4. Appeals Board representation is not included in this flat fee.

B. The following rates apply to services exceeding the annual quantity described in Section I.A immediately above, with the annual period being defined as the calendar year:

1. Claims Processing: \$11.00 per claim
2. Protesting Claims: \$47.00 per claim
3. Hearing Representation: \$317.00 per in-person hearing
4. Appeals Board Representation: \$185.00 per appeal

C. Employers Group shall waive overage fees on claims up to a total of 100 claims for the calendar year 2021.

II. The City will compensate Consultant for the Services performed upon submission of a valid invoice, in accordance with Section 2.2. Each invoice is to include:

- A. Line items for all the work performed.
- B. Line items for all materials and equipment properly charged to the Services.
- C. Line items for all other approved reimbursable expenses claimed, with supporting documentation.
- D. Line items for all approved subcontractor labor, supplies, equipment, materials, and travel properly charged to the Services. Travel expenses are subject to the Contract Officer's approval in advance, and shall be billed at cost.

EXHIBIT "D"

SCHEDULE OF PERFORMANCE

- I. Consultant shall perform all Services timely in accordance with the following schedule:**
- A. Process Unemployment Insurance Claims in a timely manner, and document the claims process in sufficient detail to determine whether the Consultant is handling claims in a timely manner and in a manner compliant with State law.
 - B. The Consultant's Claims Specialist and Claims Manager assigned to the City's account as described in Exhibit "A" above, shall respond to the City within one (1) business day of the date of the City's telephone call or email.
 - C. Provide ongoing auditing services as described in Exhibit "A" – Scope of Services, and provide an auditing report on an annual basis. Provide auditing reports on a more frequent basis if deemed necessary by the Contract Officer.
 - D. Consultant shall provide reports, claim summaries, auditing reports, and other reports as described below.
 - E. Hearing Representation
 - 1. When applicable, at least 30 days prior to any hearing, commence preparing the City's witness for said hearing.
 - 2. When applicable, within seven (7) days prior to any hearing, confirm with the City's witness (and cc the Contract Officer) regarding any questions related to the upcoming hearing.
 - F. Appeals Board Representation
 - 1. For each anticipated appeal, provide the Contract Officer with an estimated timeline for the appeal process.
 - 2. If directed by the Contract Officer, prepare the written appeal. Provide a draft to the Contract Officer to allow the Contract Officer (and City Attorney's Office, if necessary) at least 14 days to review and provide comments. Obtain the Contract Officer's approval of the final written appeal prior to filing.
- II. Consultant shall deliver the following tangible work products to the City by the following dates.**
- A. Quarterly Reports - Consultant shall electronically provide (in PDF format) quarterly reports to track claims and hearing activity, track potential and actual account costs, and assist with identifying account issues.

- B. Written reports regarding timely updates on hearings and appeals.
 - C. Claim summaries at a frequency determined by the Contract Officer
 - D. Report on auditing activity and issues, annually (or more frequently if the Contract Officer deems necessary).
- III. The Contract Officer may approve extensions for performance of the Services in accordance with Section 3.2.**



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CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

12/22/2020

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER License # 0633339 Olson Duncan Insurance Service Inc. 25550 Hawthorne Blvd. Suite 203 Torrance, CA 90505		CONTACT NAME: Elisa Solorzano PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): FAX (A/C, No): E-MAIL ADDRESS: esolorzano@olsonduncan.com	
		INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE	
		INSURER A: Citizens Insurance Company of	
		INSURER B: Hanover American Ins Co	
		INSURER C: Beazley Ins Co	
		INSURER D:	
		INSURER E:	
		INSURER F:	

INSURED

Employers Group
400 N Continental Blvd Ste 300
El Segundo, CA 90245

COVERAGES

CERTIFICATE NUMBER:

REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PROJECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC OTHER:	X	X	OB3H43859000	11/25/2020	11/25/2021	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 2,000,000 DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$ 300,000 MED EXP (Any one person) \$ 5,000 PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ 2,000,000 GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ 4,000,000 PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$ 4,000,000
A	<input type="checkbox"/> AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO OWNED AUTOS ONLY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY	X	X	OB3H43859000	11/25/2020	11/25/2021	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$ 2,000,000 BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$ PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> UMBRELLA LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> EXCESS LIAB DED \$ RETENTION \$						EACH OCCURRENCE \$ AGGREGATE \$
B	<input type="checkbox"/> WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) <input type="checkbox"/> Y/N If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below	N/A	X	WZ3H438745	11/25/2020	11/25/2021	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PER STATUTE <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$ 1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$ 1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$ 1,000,000
C	Professional Liab.			V2D7D0200101	12/21/2020	12/21/2021	Each Claim \$ 1,000,000
C	Professional Liab.			V2D7D0200101	12/21/2020	12/21/2021	Aggregate \$ 1,000,000

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

As respects the General and Hired Non-owned Auto Liability, the City of Carson, its elected and appointed officers, employees, volunteers and agents are additional insureds where required by written agreement or contract per attached form. Primary and non-contributory wording applies to the General Liability per attached form. Waiver of subrogation applies to all coverages per attached forms, except Professional Liability.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER

CANCELLATION

City of Carson
701 E Carson Street
Carson, CA 90745

Approved

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12/24/2020

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Elisa Solorzano

c. This provision does not apply:

- (1) Unless the written contract or written agreement was executed or permit was issued prior to the "bodily injury", "property damage", or "personal injury and advertising injury".
- (2) To any person or organization included as an insured by another endorsement issued by us and made part of this Coverage Part.
- (3) To any lessor of equipment:
 - (a) After the equipment lease expires; or
 - (b) If the "bodily injury", "property damage", "personal and advertising injury" arises out of sole negligence of the lessor
- (4) To any:
 - (a) Owners or other interests from whom land has been leased if the "occurrence" takes place or the offense is committed after the lease for the land expires; or
 - (b) Managers or lessors of premises if:
 - (i) The "occurrence" takes place or the offense is committed after you cease to be a tenant in that premises; or
 - (ii) The "bodily injury", "property damage", "personal injury" or "advertising injury" arises out of structural alterations, new construction or demolition operations performed by or on behalf of the manager or lessor.
- (5) To "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising out of the rendering of or the failure to render any professional services.

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage" or the offense which caused the "personal and advertising injury" involved the rendering of or failure to render any professional services by or for you.

d. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to **SECTION II – LIABILITY, D. Liability and Medical Expense Limits of Insurance**:

The most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured for a covered claim is the lesser of the amount of insurance:

1. Required by the contract, agreement or permit described in Paragraph a.; or
2. Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.

This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations

e. All other insuring agreements, exclusions, and conditions of the policy apply.

2. Additional Insured – Broad Form Vendors

The following is added to **SECTION II – LIABILITY, C. Who Is An Insured**:

Additional Insured – Broad Form Vendors

- a. Any person or organization that is a vendor with whom you agreed in a written contract or written agreement to include as an additional insured under this Coverage Part is an insured, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of "your products" which are distributed or sold in the regular course of the vendor's business.
- b. The insurance afforded to such vendor described above:
 - (1) Only applies to the extent permitted by law;
 - (2) Will not be broader than the insurance which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such vendor;
 - (3) Will not be broader than coverage provided to any other insured; and
 - (4) Does not apply if the "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" is otherwise excluded from coverage under this Coverage Part, including any endorsements thereto
- c. With respect to insurance afforded to such vendors, the following additional exclusions apply:

The insurance afforded to the vendor does not apply to:

 - (1) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which the vendor is obligated to pay damages by reasons of the assumption of liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages that the insured would have in the absence of the contract or agreement;
 - (2) Any express warranty unauthorized by you;

emergency medical technician or paramedic employed by you if you are not engaged in the business or occupation of providing medical, paramedical, surgical, dental, x-ray or nursing services.

6. Personal Injury – Broad Form

a. **SECTION II – LIABILITY, B. Exclusions, 2. Additional Exclusions Applicable only to “Personal and Advertising Injury”,** paragraph e. is deleted.

b. **SECTION II – LIABILITY, F. Liability and Medical Expenses Definitions, 14.** “Personal and advertising injury”, paragraph b. is replaced by the following:

b. Malicious prosecution or abuse of process.

c. The following is added to **SECTION II – LIABILITY, F. Liability and Medical Expenses Definitions, Definition 14.** “Personal and advertising injury”:

“Discrimination” (unless insurance thereof is prohibited by law) that results in injury to the feelings or reputation of a natural person, but only if such “discrimination” is:

(1) Not done intentionally by or at the direction of:

(a) The insured;

(b) Any officer of the corporation, director, stockholder, partner or member of the insured; and

(2) Not directly or indirectly related to an “employee”, not to the employment, prospective employment or termination of any person or persons by an insured.

d. For purposes of this endorsement, the following definition is added to **SECTION II – LIABILITY, F. Liability and Medical Expenses Definitions:**

1. “Discrimination” means the unlawful treatment of individuals based upon race, color, ethnic origin, gender, religion, age, or sexual preference. “Discrimination” does not include the unlawful treatment of individuals based upon developmental, physical, cognitive, mental, sensory or emotional impairment or any combination of these.

e. This coverage does not apply if liability coverage for “personal and advertising injury” is excluded either by the provisions of the Coverage Form or any endorsement thereto.

7. Product Recall Expense

a. **SECTION II – LIABILITY, B. Exclusions, 1. Applicable To Business Liability Coverage,**

o. **Recall of Products, Work or Impaired Property** is replaced by the following:

o. **Recall of Products, Work or Impaired Property**

Damages claimed for any loss, cost or expense incurred by you or others for the loss of use, withdrawal, recall, inspection, repair, replacement, adjustment, removal or disposal of:

(1) “Your product”;

(2) “Your work”; or

(3) “Impaired property”;

If such product, work or property is withdrawn or recalled from the market or from use by any person or organization because of a known or suspected defect, deficiency, inadequacy or dangerous condition in it, but this exclusion does not apply to “product recall expenses” that you incur for the “covered recall” of “your product”.

However, the exception to the exclusion does not apply to “product recall expenses” resulting from:

(4) Failure of any products to accomplish their intended purpose;

(5) Breach of warranties of fitness, quality, durability or performance;

(6) Loss of customer approval, or any cost incurred to regain customer approval;

(7) Redistribution or replacement of “your product” which has been recalled by like products or substitutes;

(8) Caprice or whim of the insured;

(9) A condition likely to cause loss of which any insured knew or had reason to know at the inception of this insurance;

(10) Asbestos, including loss, damage or clean up resulting from asbestos or asbestos containing materials; or

(11) Recall of “your products” that have no known or suspected defect solely because a known or suspected defect in another of “your products” has been found.

b. The following is added to **SECTION II – LIABILITY, C. Who Is An Insured, paragraph 3.b.:**

“Product recall expense” arising out of any withdrawal or recall that occurred before you acquired or formed the organization.

- (2) Shipping the recalled products from any purchaser, distributor or user to the place or places designated by you;
 - (3) Remuneration paid to your regular "employees" for necessary overtime;
 - (4) Hiring additional persons, other than your regular "employees";
 - (5) Expenses incurred by "employees" including transportation and accommodations;
 - (6) Expenses to rent additional warehouse or storage space;
 - (7) Disposal of "your product", but only to the extent that specific methods of destruction other than those employed for trash discarding or disposal are required to avoid "bodily injury" or "property damage" as a result of such disposal,
- you incur exclusively for the purpose of recalling "your product"; and
- b. Your lost profit resulting from such "covered recall".
- f. This Product Recall Expense Coverage does not apply:

- (1) If the "products – completed operations hazard" is excluded from coverage under this Coverage Part including any endorsement thereto; or
- (2) To "product recall expense" arising out of any of "your products" that are otherwise excluded from coverage under this Coverage, Part including endorsements thereto.

8. Unintentional Failure to Disclose Hazards

The following is added to **SECTION II – LIABILITY, E. Liability and Medical Expenses General Conditions:**

Representations

We will not disclaim coverage under this Coverage Part if you fail to disclose all hazards existing as of the inception date of the policy provided such failure is not intentional.

9. Unintentional Failure to Notify

The following is added to **SECTION II – LIABILITY, E. Liability and Medical Expenses General Conditions, 2. Duties in the Event of Occurrence, Offense, Claim or Suit:**

Your rights afforded under this Coverage Part shall not be prejudiced if you fail to give us notice of an "occurrence", offense, claim or "suit", solely due to your reasonable and documented belief that the "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" is not covered under this Policy.

ALL OTHER TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND EXCLUSIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED.