



**SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR  
WORK ON RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY (IOWA INTERSTATE RAILROAD)**

**Polk County  
STP-U-8260(634)--70-77**

**Effective Date  
May 19, 2015**

**THE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS, SERIES OF 2012, ARE AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONS AND MODIFICATIONS. THESE ARE SPECIAL PROVISIONS AND THEY SHALL PREVAIL OVER THOSE PUBLISHED IN THE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS.**

**121046a.01 PERMITS.**

Contractor shall, before entering upon Iowa Interstate Railroad (Railroad) property for performance of work secure permission from Railroad's Vice President of Engineering for occupancy and use of Railroad's property and shall confer with Railroad relative to requirements for railroad clearances, operation, and general safety regulations. (In this specification, references to the Railroad's Vice President of Engineering is intended to mean the following: Railroad's Vice President of Engineering or authorized representative)

Contractor shall provide Engineer and Railroad with proposed construction schedule outlining the timing of activities that will need track protection services.

Contractor shall conduct work in a manner satisfactory to Railroad's Vice President of Engineering and shall not damage Railroad property or interfere with their operations.

Railroad's Vice President of Engineering will at all times have jurisdiction over the safety of Railroad operations, and the decision of Railroad's Vice President of Engineering as to procedures which may affect safety of Railroad operations shall be final, and Contractor shall be governed by such decision.

Should damage occur to Railroad property as a result of Contractor's operations, and Railroad deems it necessary to repair such damage or to perform work for protection of its property, the required materials, labor, and equipment shall be furnished by Railroad, and Contractor shall reimburse Railroad for costs so incurred as defined in Section E. Railroad Reimbursements.

**121046a.02 TEMPORARY GRADE CROSSINGS.**

If Contractor requires construction of a temporary grade crossing across Railroad's track(s) for use during performance of the contract, Contractor shall make necessary arrangements with Railroad for construction, protection, and later removal of such temporary grade crossing. Costs of such temporary grade crossing construction, protection, maintenance, and later removal shall be reimbursed to Railroad on the basis of Railroad's bills, to be rendered monthly.

Contractor shall not cross Railroad's property or track(s) with vehicles or equipment of any kind or

character except at such temporary grade crossing as may be constructed as outlined herein, or at an existing and open public grade crossing.

**121046a.03 CONTRACTOR SAFETY ORIENTATION**

Contractor Safety Orientation training is not required for work performed on Contracting Authority property, or property of the Railroad subject to drainage or temporary easements or drainage easements acquired by the Contracting Authority for this project.

No employee of the Contractor, its subcontractors, agents or invitees that is working on the project may enter Railroad property outside of drainage or temporary easements without first having successfully passed an annual Railroad approved safety course. Proof of passing said course shall be in the employee's possession at all times when on Railroad property. Cost for the required training will be borne by Contractor.

Information on approved safety courses can be obtained from Railroad's authorized representative.

**121046a.04 RAILROAD FLAGGING AND WATCHMAN TRACK PROTECTION SERVICES.**

Flagging Track protection or watchman services required by Railroad for safety of Railroad operations because of work being performed by Contractor, or in connection therewith, will be provided by Railroad and the cost shall be reimbursed to Railroad on the basis of Railroad's bills, to be rendered monthly. Requirements of Railroad are as follows:

~~Services of at least one and possibly two watchmen or flagmen~~ Track protection will be required during: anytime construction is outside of temporary easements obtained for this project; excavation, placing, and removal of cofferdams or sheeting; driving of foundation piling and placing of the concrete footings for piers adjacent to track(s); construction and removal of falsework, bracing, or forms over or adjacent to track(s); construction or equipment across the track; setting or placing of beams or girders in span(s) over any track(s); any construction operations involving direct interference with Railroad's track(s) or traffic, fouling of Railroad operating clearances or reasonable probability of accidental hazard to railroad traffic; or whenever workers or equipment will be working within 25 feet of the centerline of any live track. ~~If an existing bridge or other structure is to be removed, services of at least one and possibly two watchmen or flagmen will be required during removal of that portion of existing structure immediately over or adjacent to any track.~~ ~~Flagmen~~ Track protection services will also be furnished whenever, in the opinion of the Railroad, such protection is needed.

In order that Railroad may be prepared to furnish protective services, Contractor shall notify Railroad at least 72 hours in advance of when protective services will be needed. Services are subject to availability of Railroad personnel.

Any time track protection services are not being provided, Contractor must provide and maintain an effective physical barrier at the drainage and temporary easement limits to prevent unauthorized trespassing. Physical barrier must be posted with a sign stating "CAUTION, LIVE TRACK, TRACK PROTECTION NEEDED BEYOND THIS POINT". Typical barriers included concrete "J" barriers or safety fencing. Other barriers may be used to accommodate varying construction sites with approval of Railroad.

Railroad will notify Engineer and Contractor when non-compliance is reported by Railroad train crews or other Railroad employees. Contractor work performed without proper flagging services, when such flagging is required, will be subject to a \$5,000.00 per day price adjustment to Contractor, and may result in the removal of Contractor by Railroad or Engineer from the project.

**121046a.05 RAILROAD REIMBURSEMENT.**

Rates of pay for Railroad employees will be the prevailing Railroad hourly wage for an 8 hour day for the class of employee(s) involved during the regularly assigned hours, overtime in accordance with any Labor Agreements and Schedules and Railroad's standard additives, all as in effect at the time the work is performed.

Wage rates are subject to change, at any time, by law or by agreement between Railroad and employees, and may be retroactive as a result of negotiations or a ruling of an authorized Governmental Agency. If wage rates are changed, Contractor shall pay on the basis of the new rates.

Contractor shall reimburse, monthly, the Railroad for costs of all services performed by Railroad for the Contractor, and furnish Engineer written evidence that Railroad has acknowledged receipt of same before final payment will be made for the project.

#### **121046a.06 SAFETY OF OPERATIONS.**

During construction of footings ~~or piers or other supports~~ or structures adjacent to any track of the Railroad, Contractor shall make adequate provision against sliding, shifting, sinking, or in any way disturbing railroad embankment and track(s) adjacent to said ~~piers, supports, or structures~~ due to said construction operations, by driving temporary sheeting in a manner satisfactory to both the Engineer and Railroad.

~~Before commencing work on any pier or structure adjacent to any track, Contractor shall submit prints of proposed sheeting, bracing details, or temporary structure for protection of Railroad's track(s) to the Engineer and Railroad for review. This submittal shall include the proposed method of installation and be accompanied by supporting data, including design computations, logs of soil borings, and other pertinent information.~~

~~The Track Shield Detail (attached) shall control the requirements for track protection during bridge demolition.~~

After review by the Engineer, two sets of prints of proposed sheeting and bracing details bearing the seal of a registered structural or professional engineer, registered in the state of Iowa together with the supporting documents, shall be forwarded to the Railroad's Vice President of Engineering for review and approval.

Contractor shall notify the Railroad's Vice President of Engineering in writing no less than ~~seven~~ ~~calendar~~ 10 working days in advance of the proposed time of the beginning of the construction of the ~~piers, supports, or structures~~ adjacent to the track(s).

#### **121046a.07 TEMPORARY CLEARANCES.**

~~The following temporary clearances are the minimum which shall be maintained at all times during construction operations:~~

Vertical: \_\_\_\_\_ 21.5 feet above top of highest rail  
 Horizontal: \_\_\_\_\_ 15.0 feet from centerline of nearest track,  
 measured at right angles thereto

~~If lesser clearances than the above are required for any part of the work, Contractor shall secure written authorization from Railroad's Vice President of Engineering for such lesser clearances in advance of the start of work of that portion of the project along, on, over, or across the property or track(s) of the Railroad.~~

Contractor shall not store any materials, supplies or equipment outside of the temporary easement or closer than 25.0 feet from centerline of any Railroad track, measured at right angles thereto, whichever is more restrictive.

#### **121046a.08 FINAL CLEANUP.**

Contractor shall, upon completion of the work, remove from within the limits of the property of the Railroad, all machinery, equipment, surplus materials, falsework, rubbish, or temporary buildings of said Contractor; remove the approaches to any temporary grade crossing(s) constructed for Contractor's use, restoring same as nearly as practicable to conform to adjoining terrain; remove any accumulated silt in Railroad's side ditches, restoring proper flow thereto, employ erosion control

measures as appropriate to prevent further siltation until ground cover is reestablished; and in all other respects leave said property in a neat condition satisfactory to Railroad's Vice President of Engineering.

**121046a.09 RESPONSIBILITY OF SUPERVISION.**

Nothing in this specification shall be construed to place any responsibility on Railroad for quality or conduct of the work performed by the Contractor hereunder. Any approval given or supervision exercised by Railroad hereunder, or failure of Railroad to object to any work done, material used, or method of operation shall not be construed to relieve Contractor of any obligations pursuant hereto or under the agreement this specification is appended to.

**121046a.10 LIABILITY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE FOR WORK WHOLLY OR PARTLY WITHIN RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY.**

In addition to the requirements of Article 1107.02, A, of the Standard Specifications, Contractor shall carry insurance of the following kinds and amounts.

**A. Insurance Required of Contractor.**

1. Statutory Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance.
2. Automobile Liability in an amount not less than ~~\$2,000,000~~ \$1,000,000 combined single limit.
3. Comprehensive General Liability Occurrence Form in an amount not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. In the event the policy is Claims Made Policy, coverage shall include an aggregate of ~~\$6,000,000~~ \$4,000,000. ~~The policy shall name the Railroad as additional insured. It also shall have no exclusions regarding doing business on, near, or adjacent to railroad facilities or loss or damage resulting from surface or subsurface pollution contamination, seepage, handling, treatment, disposal, or dumping of waste materials or substances.~~ The Policy shall name Iowa Interstate Railroad as additional insured and shall not contain any exclusions related to:
  - a. Doing business on, near, or adjacent to Railroad facilities.
  - b. Loss or damage resulting from surface, subsurface pollution contamination or seepage, or handling, treatment, disposal, or dumping of waste materials or substances.
4. The above policies shall contain a waiver of the right of subrogation
5. An Occurrence Form Railroad Protective Policy with limits of not less than ~~\$2,000,000~~ \$5,000,000 per occurrence for Bodily Injury Liability. Property Damage Liability and Physical Damage to Property, with ~~\$6,000,000~~ \$10,000,000 aggregate for the term of the policy with respect of Bodily Injury, Liability, Property Damage Liability and Physical Damage to Property. The policy shall name: Iowa Interstate Railroad.

Before ~~commencing work~~ the contract is awarded, Contractor shall submit to the ~~Railroad and Contracting Authority~~ Department a certificate of insurance evidencing the foregoing coverage ~~and a certified, true, and complete copy of the policy or policies.~~ The certificate shall identify the insurance company firm name and address, Contractor firm name, policy period, type of policy, limits of coverage, and scope of work covered (including project number). The policies shall provide for no less than 30 calendar days prior written notice to the Railroad and Contracting Authority of cancellation of or any material change in, the policies. Following award of the Contract, the Contractor shall submit a certificate of insurance evidencing the foregoing coverage to the Railroad and Contracting Authority (if other than the Department), and a certified, true, and complete copy of policy or policies to the Contracting Authority and Railroad. Upon request from either the Contracting Authority or Railroad, a certified duplicate original of any required certificate or policy shall be furnished at no cost to the Contracting Authority or Railroad.

It is understood and agreed that the foregoing insurance coverage is not intended to, and shall not relieve the Contractor from or serve to limit Contractor's liability or indemnity obligations under the provisions herein.

It is further understood and agreed that, so long as the Contract remains in force, the Contracting Authority may from time to time revise the amount or form of insurance coverage provided as circumstances or changing economic conditions may require. Contracting Authority will give Contractor written notice of any such requested change at least 30 calendar days prior to the date of expiration of the then existing policy or policies, and Contractor agrees to, and shall, thereupon provide Contracting Authority with such revised policy or policies therefore. Cost of additional insurance beyond that required by this specification will be paid for according to Article 1109.03, B, of the Standard Specifications.

#### **B. Insurance required of Subcontractor**

If a Subcontractor is used by Contractor for performance of the work, before commencing work, Subcontractor shall provide and maintain the following insurance, in form and amount and with companies satisfactory to, and as approved by, the Contracting Authority.

1. Statutory Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability insurance.
2. Automobile Liability in an amount not less than \$2,000,000 combined single limit.
3. The above policies shall contain a waiver of the right of subrogation.
4. An Occurrence Form Railroad Protective Policy with limits of not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence for Bodily Injury Liability, Property Damage Liability and Physical Damage to Property, with \$6,000,000 aggregate for the term of the policy with respect of Bodily Injury, Liability, Property Damage Liability and Physical Damage to Property. The policy shall name: Iowa Interstate Railroad.

Before commencing work, Subcontractor shall deliver to the Contracting Authority a certificate of insurance and original copy of the policy evidencing the foregoing coverage and upon request the Subcontractor shall deliver a certified, true, and complete copy of the policy or policies. Policies shall provide for no less than 30 calendar days prior written notice to Railroad and Contracting Authority of cancellation of or any material change in, the policies.

If the Contractor chooses to hire a different company for performance of the work, before commencing work, the Contractor shall provide proof to the Agency and Railroad that all companies performing work under Contractor's supervision have provided insurance as required above or are covered under Contractor's Insurance.

#### **121046a.11 INDEMNITY**

Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Railroad from any and all claims, demands, lawsuits, or liability for all losses, fines, damages, injuries, and deaths to persons or property (real or personal property) and all expenses and costs, including attorney fees, costs of litigation, and all other defense costs, resulting from or arising from the activities of the contractor(s) or any agents in the performance of the construction, repair, or maintenance work on said project. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein contained is to be deemed or construed as indemnification against the negligence of the Railroad and their officers, employees, or agents.

#### **121046a.12 MECHANICS' LIENS.**

The Contractor shall not permit or suffer any mechanic's or material supplier's liens of any kind or nature to be enforced against any property of Railroad for any work performed. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Railroad from and against any liens, claims, demands, costs, or expenses of

whatsoever nature in any way connected with or growing out of such work done, labor performed, or materials furnished.

**121046a.13 METHOD OF MEASUREMENT AND BASIS OF PAYMENT.**

Railroad Protective Liability Insurance for Iowa Interstate Railroad will be paid for as a Lump Sum bid item. The Contractor will be paid 100% of the Lump Sum bid item once the Engineer has received all necessary certificates of insurance.

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