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PACKAGED SEWAGE GRINDER PUMPING UNITS

1.0 General

- 1.01 GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** The **MANUFACTURER** shall furnish complete factory-built and tested grinder pump unit(s), each consisting of a grinder pump core suitably mounted on an integral stand of stainless steel, special polyethylene tank, electrical quick disconnect (NEMA 6P), pump removal harness, discharge assembly/shut-off valve, anti-siphon valve/check valve assembly, electrical alarm assembly and all necessary internal wiring and controls. For ease of serviceability, all pump motor/grinder units shall be of like type and horsepower throughout the system.
- 1.02 SUBMITTALS:** After receipt of notice to proceed, the **MANUFACTURER** shall furnish a minimum of six sets of shop drawings detailing the equipment to be furnished including dimensional data and materials of construction. The **ENGINEER** shall promptly review this data, and return two copies as accepted, or with requested modifications. Upon receipt of accepted shop drawings, the **MANUFACTURER** shall proceed immediately with fabrication of the equipment.
- 1.03 MANUFACTURER:** Grinder pump stations, complete with all appurtenances, form an integral system, and as such, shall be supplied by one grinder pump station manufacturer. The **CONTRACTOR** shall be responsible for the satisfactory operation of the entire system. The equipment specified shall be a product of a company experienced in the design and manufacture of grinder pumps for specific use in low pressure sewage systems. The company shall submit detailed installation and user instructions for its product, submit evidence of an established service program including complete parts and service manuals, and be responsible for maintaining a continuing inventory of grinder pump replacement parts. The **MANUFACTURER** shall provide, upon request, a reference and contact list from ten of its largest contiguous grinder pump installations of the type of grinder pumps described within this specification.

The **MANUFACTURER** of the grinder pump station shall be Environment One Corporation (or Proposed Alternate).

Attention is directed to the fact that the drawings and overall system design are based on a particular piece of equipment from a particular manufacturer. These specifications are intended to provide guidelines for standard equipment of a recognized manufacturer who already meets all the requirements of this specification.

- 1.03a ALTERNATE EQUIPMENT:** In the event that the **CONTRACTOR** or another supplier proposes an Alternate to the specified **MANUFACTURER**, the **ENGINEER** recognizes that it will be difficult to conform to certain details of this Specification due to different manufacturing techniques or grinder pump station designs. If proposing an Alternate, the **CONTRACTOR** (supplier) must submit, no less than 15 business days in advance of the bid date, a complete description of any changes that will be necessary to the system design, a complete submittal package as outlined in Section 1.02 SUBMITTALS, a system hydraulic analysis based on the proposed pump (including pipe sizes, flows, velocities, retention times and number and location of recommended valves and cleanouts, if any), a list of exceptions to this specification, and demonstration of compliance to Section 1.04 EXPERIENCE CLAUSE of this specification. The **CONTRACTOR** (supplier) must also complete the Manufacturer Disclosure Statement found at the end of this specification. This information must be submitted to the **ENGINEER** for pre-approval of the alternate equipment being proposed and determination of compliance with these Contract Documents. If the equipment differs materially or differs from the dimensions given on the Drawings, the **CONTRACTOR** (supplier) shall submit complete drawings showing elevations, dimensions, or any necessary changes to the Contract Documents for the proposed equipment and its installation. Pre-approval, if granted, will be provided in writing by the **ENGINEER** to the **CONTRACTOR** (supplier) at least five business days

in advance of the bid date. If the **ENGINEER'S** approval is obtained for Alternate Equipment, the **CONTRACTOR** (supplier) must make any needed changes in the structures, system design, piping or electrical systems necessary to accommodate the proposed equipment at the expense of the **CONTRACTOR** (supplier).

- 1.04 EXPERIENCE CLAUSE:** The equipment furnished hereunder shall be the product of a company experienced in the design and manufacture of grinder pumps specifically designed for use in low pressure systems. All manufacturers proposing equipment for this project shall have at least 10 years of experience in the design and manufacture of units of identical size(s) and performance to the specified units. All manufacturers proposing equipment for this project must also have not less than 500 successful installations of low pressure sewer systems utilizing grinder pumps of like type to the grinder pumps specified herein. An installation is defined as a minimum of 25 pumps discharging into a common force main which forms a low pressure sewer system. The **CONTRACTOR** (supplier) proposing alternate equipment shall also submit, as part of the bid schedule, an installation list with contact person(s), phone number(s) and date(s) of at least 10 installations of the type of pump specified herein that have been in operation for at least 10 years.

In lieu of this experience clause, the **CONTRACTOR** (supplier) of alternate equipment will be required to submit a 5-year performance bond for 100 percent of the stipulated cost of the equipment as bid and as shown in the Bid Schedule. This performance bond will be used to guarantee the replacement of the equipment in the event that it fails within the bond period.

- 1.05 OPERATING CONDITIONS:** The pumps shall be capable of delivering 15 GPM against a rated total dynamic head of 0 feet (0 PSIG), 11 GPM against a rated total dynamic head of 92 feet (40 PSIG), and 7.8 GPM against a rated total dynamic head of 185 feet (80 PSIG). The pump(s) must also be capable of operating at negative total dynamic head without overloading the motor(s). Under no conditions shall in-line piping or valving be allowed to create a false apparent head.
- 1.06 WARRANTY:** The grinder pump **MANUFACTURER** shall provide a part(s) and labor warranty on the complete station and accessories, including, but not limited to, the panel for a period of 24 months after notice of **OWNER'S** acceptance, but no greater than 27 months after receipt of shipment. Any manufacturing defects found during the warranty period will be reported to the **MANUFACTURER** by the **OWNER** and will be corrected by the **MANUFACTURER** at no cost to the **OWNER**.
- 1.07 WARRANTY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATION:** As a bid certification requirement, each bidder shall provide with their bid schedule a Warranty Performance Certification statement executed by the most senior executive officer of the grinder pump **MANUFACTURER**, which certifies a minimum of a 24-month warranty. They must further detail any exclusions from the warranty or additional cost items required to maintain the equipment in warrantable condition, including all associated labor and shipping fees, and certify that the **MANUFACTURER** will bear **all** costs to correct any original equipment deficiency for the effective period of the warranty. All preventive maintenance type requirements shall be included in this form as exclusions. These requirements include, but are not limited to, unjamming of grinder mechanism, periodic motor maintenance, and periodic cleaning of liquid level controls. Should the **CONTRACTOR** (supplier) elect to submit a performance bond in lieu of the experience clause outlined above, this Warranty Performance Certification shall also be used as a criterion to evaluate the **CONTRACTOR'S** (supplier's) performance over the warranty period. A Warranty Performance Certification form is included with the bid schedule and must be completed and submitted as part of the bid package. Bids with incomplete forms or missing forms will be considered nonresponsive.

## 2.0 PRODUCT

- 2.01 PUMP:** The pump shall be a custom designed, integral, vertical rotor, motor driven, solids handling pump of the **progressing cavity type** with a single mechanical seal. Double radial O-ring seals are

required at all casting joints to minimize corrosion and create a protective barrier. All pump castings shall be cast iron, fully epoxy coated to 8-10 mil Nominal dry thickness, wet applied. The rotor shall be through-hardened, highly polished, precipitation hardened stainless steel. The stator shall be of a specifically compounded ethylene propylene synthetic elastomer. This material shall be suitable for domestic wastewater service. Its physical properties shall include high tear and abrasion resistance, grease resistance, water and detergent resistance, temperature stability, excellent aging properties, and outstanding wear resistance. Buna-N is not acceptable as a stator material because it does not exhibit the properties as outlined above and required for wastewater service.

- 2.02 GRINDER:** The grinder shall be placed immediately below the pumping elements and shall be direct-driven by a single, one-piece motor shaft. The grinder impeller (cutter wheel) assembly shall be securely fastened to the pump motor shaft by means of a threaded connection attaching the grinder impeller to the motor shaft. Attachment by means of pins or keys will not be acceptable. The grinder impeller shall be a one-piece, 4140 cutter wheel of the rotating type with inductively hardened cutter teeth. The cutter teeth shall be inductively hardened to Rockwell 50 – 60c for abrasion resistance. The shredder ring shall be of the stationary type and the material shall be white cast iron. The teeth shall be ground into the material to achieve effective grinding. The shredder ring shall have a staggered tooth pattern with only one edge engaged at a time, maximizing the cutting torque. These materials have been chosen for their capacity to perform in the intended environment as they are materials with wear and corrosive resistant properties.

This assembly shall be dynamically balanced and operate without objectionable noise or vibration over the entire range of recommended operating pressures. The grinder shall be constructed so as to minimize clogging and jamming under all normal operating conditions including starting. Sufficient vortex action shall be created to scour the tank free of deposits or sludge banks which would impair the operation of the pump. These requirements shall be accomplished by the following, in conjunction with the pump:

1. The grinder shall be positioned in such a way that solids are fed in an upward flow direction.
2. The maximum flow rate through the cutting mechanism must not exceed 4 feet per second. This is a critical design element to minimize jamming and as such must be adhered to.
3. The inlet shroud shall have a diameter of no less than 5 inches. Inlet shrouds that are less than 5 inches in diameter will not be accepted due to their inability to maintain the specified 4 feet per second maximum inlet velocity which by design prevents unnecessary jamming of the cutter mechanism and minimizes blinding of the pump by large objects that block the inlet shroud.
4. The impeller mechanism must rotate at a nominal speed of no greater than 1800 rpm.

The grinder shall be capable of reducing all components in normal domestic sewage, including a reasonable amount of "foreign objects," such as paper, wood, plastic, glass, wipes, rubber and the like, to finely-divided particles which will pass freely through the passages of the pump and the 1-1/4" diameter stainless steel discharge piping.

- 2.03 ELECTRIC MOTOR:** As a maximum, the motor shall be a 1 HP, 1725 RPM, 240 Volt 60 Hertz, 1 Phase, capacitor start, ball bearing, air-cooled induction type with Class F insulation, low starting current not to exceed 30 amperes and high starting torque of 8.4 foot pounds. The motor shall be press-fit into the casting for better heat transfer and longer winding life. Inherent protection against running overloads or locked rotor conditions for the pump motor shall be provided by the use of an automatic-reset, integral thermal overload protector incorporated into the motor. The motor protector shall be specifically investigated and listed by Underwriters Laboratories Inc. for the application. Non-capacitor start motors or permanent split capacitor motors will not be accepted because of their reduced starting torque and consequent diminished grinding capability. The wet

portion of the motor armature must be 300 Series stainless steel. To reduce the potential of environmental concerns, the expense of handling and disposing of oil, and the associated maintenance costs, oil-filled motors will not be accepted. Pump operation during instances of potentially damaging high current or low voltage conditions shall be inhibited by an in-pump electrical monitoring system that has been investigated and listed by Underwriters Laboratories Inc. for the application. Motor start shall be controlled by a DC driven electromechanical relay integrated within the control compartment of the pump. Electrical monitoring shall ensure the relay operates reliably. AC Mechanical contactors for motor start are susceptible to damage from short cycling and will not be accepted.

**2.04 MECHANICAL SEAL:** The pump/core shall be provided with a mechanical shaft seal to prevent leakage between the motor and pump. The seal shall have a stationary ceramic seat and carbon rotating surface with faces precision lapped and held in position by a stainless steel spring.

**2.05 TANK: Polyethylene Construction.** The tank shall be made of rotational molded polyethylene with high environmental stress cracking resistance. All seams created during tank construction are to be thermally welded and factory tested for leak tightness. The tank wall and bottom must withstand the pressure exerted by saturated soil loading at maximum burial depth. All station components must function normally when exposed to 150 percent of the maximum external soil and hydrostatic pressure.

The overall basin capacity shall be 476 gallons. The basin shall incorporate a tapered bottom with an inside diameter of no greater than 46 inches, reducing to a diameter no greater than 42 inches, to minimize the retained volume. The largest diameter must be no less than 50 inches and no greater than 52 inches.

A station that is 77 inches tall shall have no greater than a 36 inch outside diameter flat fiberglass cover. The 77 inch tall station can be extended in 6 inch increments with normal cylindrical fiberglass extensions.

Taller stations shall have an accessway with a shroud and domed cover. The accessway shall be an integral extension of the wetwell assembly and shall include a lockable cover assembly with integral vent providing low profile mounting and watertight capability. The cover shall be high density polyethylene, green in color, with a load rating of 150 lbs per square foot. To minimize the station's on-site footprint, the domed cover shall have an outside diameter of no greater than 30 inches. Accessway design and construction shall enable field adjustment of station height in 3-inch increments without the use of any adhesives or sealants requiring cure time before installation can be completed. Corrugated sections are to be made of a double-wall HDPE construction with the internal wall being generally smooth. Corrugations of the outside wall are to be of a minimum amplitude of 1-1/2 inch to provide necessary transverse stiffness. Any incidental sections of a single-wall construction are to be a minimum .250 inch thick. All seams created during tank construction are to be thermally welded and factory tested for leak tightness. The accessway wall must withstand the pressure exerted by saturated soil loading at maximum burial depth and must function normally when exposed to 150 percent of the maximum external soil and hydrostatic pressure.

The tank and factory penetrations shall be factory tested and guaranteed to be watertight.

The tank shall be furnished with one EPDM grommet fitting to accept a 4.50" OD DWV or Schedule 40 pipe. Tank dimensions shall be as shown on the contract drawings.

**2.06 DISCHARGE HOSE AND DISCONNECT/VALVE:** All discharge fittings and piping shall be constructed of polypropylene, EPDM or PVC. The discharge hose assembly shall include a shut-off valve rated for 200 psi WOG and a quick disconnect feature to simplify installation and pump

removal. The bulkhead penetration shall be factory installed and warranted by the manufacturer to be watertight.

- 2.07 ELECTRICAL QUICK DISCONNECT:** The grinder pump core shall include a factory-installed NEMA 6P electrical quick disconnect (EQD) for all power and control functions. The EQD will be supplied with 32' total, 25' of useable, electrical supply cable (ESC) to connect to the alarm panel. The EQD shall require no tools for assembly, seal against water before the electrical connection is made, and include radial seals to assure a watertight seal regardless of tightening torque. Plug-type connections of the power cable onto the pump housing will not be acceptable due to the potential for leaks and electrical shorts. Junction boxes are not acceptable due to the large number of potential leak points. The EQD shall be so designed to be conducive to field wiring as required.
- 2.08 CHECK VALVE:** The pump discharge shall be equipped with a factory installed, gravity operated, flapper-type integral check valve built into the discharge piping. The check valve will provide a full-ported passageway when open, and shall introduce a friction loss of less than 6 inches of water at maximum rated flow. Moving parts will be made of a 300 Series stainless steel and fabric reinforced synthetic elastomer to ensure corrosion resistance, dimensional stability, and fatigue strength. A nonmetallic hinge shall be an integral part of the flapper assembly providing a maximum degree of freedom to assure seating even at a very low back-pressure. The valve body shall be an injection molded part made of an engineered thermoplastic resin. The valve shall be rated for continuous operating pressure of 235 psi. Ball-type check valves are unacceptable due to their limited sealing capacity in slurry applications.
- 2.09 ANTI-SIPHON VALVE:** The pump discharge shall be equipped with a factory-installed, gravity-operated, flapper-type integral anti-siphon valve built into the discharge piping. Moving parts will be made of 300 Series stainless steel and fabric-reinforced synthetic elastomer to ensure corrosion resistance, dimensional stability, and fatigue strength. A nonmetallic hinge shall be an integral part of the flapper assembly, providing a maximum degree of freedom to ensure proper operation even at a very low pressure. The valve body shall be injection-molded from an engineered thermoplastic resin. Holes or ports in the discharge piping are not acceptable anti-siphon devices due to their tendency to clog from the solids in the slurry being pumped. The anti-siphon port diameter shall be no less than 60% of the inside diameter of the pump discharge piping.
- 2.10 CORE UNIT:** The grinder pump station shall have an easily removable core assembly containing pump, motor, grinder, all motor controls, check valve, anti-siphon valve, electrical quick disconnect and wiring. The watertight integrity of the core unit shall be established by a 100% factory test at a minimum of 5 PSIG.
- 2.11 CONTROLS:** All necessary motor starting controls shall be located in the cast iron enclosure of the core unit secured by stainless steel fasteners. Locating motor starting controls in a plastic enclosure is not acceptable. Wastewater level sensing controls shall be housed in a separate enclosure from motor starting controls. Level sensor housing must be sealed via a radial type seal; solvents or glues are not acceptable. Level sensing control housing must be integrally attached to pump assembly so that it may be removed from the station with the pump and in such a way as to minimize the potential for the accumulation of grease and debris accumulation, etc. Level sensing housing must be a high-impact thermoplastic copolymer over-molded with a thermo plastic elastomer. The use of PVC for the level sensing housing is not acceptable.

Non-fouling wastewater level controls for controlling pump operation shall be accomplished by monitoring the pressure changes in an integral air column connected to a pressure switch. The air column shall be integrally molded from a thermoplastic elastomer suitable for use in wastewater and with excellent impact resistance. The air column shall have only a single connection between the water level being monitored and the pressure switch. Any connections are to be sealed radially with redundant O-rings. The level detection device shall have no moving parts in direct contact with the wastewater and shall be integral to the pump core assembly in a single, readily-exchanged unit.

Depressing the push to run button must operate the pump even with the level sensor housing removed from the pump.

All fasteners throughout the assembly shall be 300 Series stainless steel. High-level sensing will be accomplished in the manner detailed above by a separate air column sensor and pressure switch of the same type. Closure of the high-level sensing device will energize an alarm circuit as well as a redundant pump-on circuit. For increased reliability, pump ON/OFF and high-level alarm functions shall not be controlled by the same switch. Float switches of any kind, including float trees, will not be accepted due to the periodic need to maintain (rinsing, cleaning) such devices and their tendency to malfunction because of incorrect wiring, tangling, grease buildup, and mechanical cord fatigue. To assure reliable operation of the pressure switches, each core shall be equipped with a factory installed equalizer diaphragm that compensates for any atmospheric pressure or temperature changes. Tube or piping runs outside of the station tank or into tank-mounted junction boxes providing pressure switch equalization will not be permitted due to their susceptibility to condensation, kinking, pinching, and insect infestation. The grinder pump will be furnished with a 6 conductor 14 gauge, type SJOW cable, pre-wired and watertight to meet UL requirements with a **FACTORY INSTALLED NEMA 6P EQD** half attached to it.

- 2.12 STAINLESS STEEL CURB STOP/CHECK VALVE ASSEMBLY (UNI-LATERAL):** The curb stop shall be pressure-tight in both directions. The ball valve actuator shall include position stop features at the fully opened and closed positions. The curb stop/check valve assembly shall be designed to withstand a working pressure of 235 psi.

The stainless-steel check valve shall be integral with the curb stop valve. The check valve will provide a full-ported 1-1/4" passageway and shall introduce minimal friction loss at maximum rated flow. The flapper hinge design shall provide a maximum degree of freedom and ensure seating at low back pressure.

**Engineered Thermoplastic Fittings** – All plastic fitting components are to be in compliance with applicable ASTM standards.

All pipe connections shall be made using compression fitting connections including a Buna-N O-ring for sealing to the outside diameter of the pipe. A split-collet locking device shall be integrated into all pipe connection fittings to securely restrain the pipe from hydraulic pressure and external loading caused by shifting and settling.

**Curb Boxes** – Curb boxes shall be constructed of ABS, conforming to ASTM-D 1788. Lid top casting shall be cast iron, conforming to ASTM A-48 Class 25, providing magnetic detectability, and be painted black. All components shall be inherently corrosion-resistant to ensure durability in the ground. Curb boxes shall provide height adjustment downward (shorter) from their nominal height.

**High Density Polyethylene Pipe (Supplied by others)** – Pipe shall be have a working pressure of 160 psi minimum and shall be classified SDR per ASTM D 3035.

**Pipe Dimensions** – The SDR (Standard Dimension Ratio) of the pipe supplied shall be as specified by the **SPECIFYING ENGINEER**. SDR 7, 9 and 11 fittings are available from the **MANUFACTURER**.

**Factory Test** – The stainless steel, combination curb stop/check valve component shall be 100 percent hydrostatically tested to 150 psi in the factory.

**Construction Practices** – Pipe shall be stored on clean, level ground to prevent undue scratching or gouging of the pipe. If the pipe must be stacked for storage, such stacking should be in accordance with the pipe manufacturer's recommendations. The pipe should be handled in such a

manner that it is not damaged by being dragged over sharp objects or cut by chokers or lifting equipment.

Segments of pipe having cuts or gouges in excess of 10 percent of the wall thickness of the pipe shall be cut out and removed. The undamaged portions of the pipe shall be rejoined using the butt fusion joining method. Sections of polyethylene pipe should be joined into continuous lengths on the job site above ground. The joining method shall be the butt-fusion method and shall be performed in strict accordance with the pipe manufacturer's recommendations. The butt-fusion equipment used in the joining procedure shall be capable of meeting all conditions recommended by the pipe manufacturer, including, but not limited to, fusion temperature, alignment, and fusion pressure.

Fused segments of pipe shall be handled so as to avoid damage to the pipe. When lifting fused sections of pipe, chains or cable-type chokers should be avoided. Nylon slings are preferred. Spreader bars should be used when lifting long, fused sections. Care should be exercised to avoid cutting or gouging the pipe.

**Installation** – Assemble the compression fittings according to the fitting manufacturer's recommendations.

The trench and trench bottom should be constructed in accordance with ASTM D 2321. Embedment materials should be Class I, materials as defined in ASTM D 2321. The use of Class II, III, IV and/or Class V materials for embedment is not allowed. Bedding of the pipe should be performed in accordance with ASTM D 2321. Compaction should be as specified in ASTM D 2321. Deviations from the specified compaction shall be approved by the **SPECIFYING ENGINEER**.

Haunching and initial backfill should be as specified in ASTM D 2321 using Class I materials. Materials used and compaction shall be as specified in Section 31 23 16.13 Unclassified Excavation for Utilities. ASTM D 2321 sections titled "Minimum Cover for Load Application," "Use of Compaction Equipment" and "Removal of Trench Protection" apply.

## **2.13 ALARM PANEL(S):**

### **DUPLEX STATIONS**

#### **DUPLEX PROTECT PLUS:**

Each grinder pump station shall include a NEMA 4X, UL-listed alarm panel suitable for wall or pole mounting. The NEMA 4X enclosure shall be manufactured of thermoplastic to ensure corrosion resistance. The enclosure shall include a hinged, lockable cover with padlock, preventing access to electrical components, and creating a secured safety front to allow access only to authorized personnel. The standard enclosure shall not exceed 12.5" W x 16" H x 7.5" D.

The panel shall contain one 15-amp single pole circuit breaker for the alarm circuit and one 15-amp double pole circuit breaker per core for the power circuit. The panel shall contain a push-to-run feature, an internal run indicator, and a complete alarm circuit. All circuit boards in the alarm panel are to be protected with a conformal coating on both sides and the AC power circuit shall include an auto resetting fuse.

The visual alarm lamp shall be inside a red, oblong lens at least 3.75" L x 2.38" W x 1.5" H. Visual alarm shall be mounted to the top of the enclosure in such a manner as to maintain NEMA 4X rating. The audible alarm shall be externally mounted on the bottom of the enclosure, capable of 93 dB @ 2 feet. The audible alarm shall be capable of being deactivated by depressing a push-type switch that is encapsulated in a weatherproof silicone boot and mounted on the bottom of the enclosure (push-to-silence button).

The high-level alarm system shall operate as follows:

1. The panel will go into alarm mode if either pump's alarm switch closes. During the initial alarm mode both pumps will run and the alarm light and buzzer will be delayed for a period of time based on user settings (default is 3-1/2 minutes). If the station is still in high-level alarm after the delay, the light and buzzer will be activated.
2. The audible alarm may be silenced by means of the externally mounted push-to-silence button.
3. The visual alarm remains illuminated until the sewage level in the wet well drops below the "off" setting of the alarm switch for both pumps.

The entire alarm panel, as manufactured and including any of the following options shall be listed by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.

Contains the following features:

- **Alarm Activated Dry Contacts** – Normally open relay contact closes upon alarm activation.
- **Alarm Activated Contacts for Remote Indoor Alarm Module** – Will work with or without power to the alarm panel and is designed to work with E/One's Remote Sentry.
- **Includes Inner Door Dead Front**
- **Separate LED's for each condition**

Provides protection from the following operating conditions:

- **Low Voltage (Brownout) Protection** – A lockout cycle will prevent the motor from operating and will illuminate the Trouble LED if:
  - the incoming AC Mains voltage drops below a predetermined minimum, typically 12% of nameplate (211 volts for a 240 volt system) for 2 to 3 seconds, regardless of whether the motor is running
  - the lockout cycle will end if the incoming AC Mains voltage returns to a predetermined value, typically 10% of nameplate (216 volts for a 240 volt system).

The system continues to retest the voltage every second indefinitely. If the lockout cycle has been initiated and the voltage comes back above the predetermined starting voltage, the system will function normally. The Trouble LED remains illuminated during a Brownout condition and a corresponding Brownout message will be displayed on the LCD screen. The LED will turn off when the Brownout condition ends and the LCD message remains latched until the panel is reset. The audible and visual alarm will not be activated unless there is a high wastewater level in the tank.

- **Run Dry Protection** – A 20-minute lockout cycle will prevent the motor from operating and will illuminate the Trouble LED when the wastewater level in the tank is below the pump inlet shroud. A corresponding Run Dry message will be displayed on the LCD screen. The condition is rechecked every 20 minutes and the LCD message remains latched. If the condition is satisfied, the pump is allowed to cycle normally and the Trouble LED will go out, but the LCD message remains latched. The LCD message will remain latched until the panel is reset. If the condition is not satisfied after 3 consecutive attempts, the visual alarm will be activated until the panel is reset or until there is one cycle of normal operation. If a high level condition is presented at any time, a pump run cycle will be activated.
- **High System Pressure Protection** – A 20-minute lockout cycle will prevent the motor from operating and will illuminate the Trouble LED when the pressure in the discharge line is



atypically high (closed valve or abnormal line plug). A corresponding Overpressure message will be displayed on the LCD screen. The condition is rechecked every 20 minutes. If the condition is satisfied, the pump is allowed to cycle normally and the Trouble LED will turn off, but the LCD message remains latched. The LCD message will remain latched until the panel is reset. If the condition is not satisfied after 3 consecutive attempts, the pump is locked out indefinitely and the audible and visual alarm will be activated. The LCD message and alarms will remain latched until the condition is removed and the panel is reset.

In all of the above cases, if more than one error condition is presented, the LCD message depicting the most recent error condition will be displayed.

**PROTECT PLUS FEATURES:**

- High/Low Voltage monitoring with Trouble indication
- High/Low Wattage (wattage is used instead of current because it is a better indicator of pump performance) monitoring with Trouble indication
- Extended Run Time monitoring with Trouble indication
- Cycle/Event Counter
- Run Time Counter (Hour Meter)
- Run Time Limit — time adjustable, user-selected options: 10 minutes (default) to 120 minutes in 1-minute intervals
- Power-up Delay — time adjustable, user-selected options: None (default), to 300 minutes in 1-minute intervals
- Alarm Delay — time adjustable, user-selected options: zero to 10 minutes in 30-second increments; 4 minutes is default
- System self-test diagnostic
- User-selectable Alarm latch
- User-selectable Protect Mode disable
- User-selectable buzzer timer

Specific Duplex Protect PLUS indicators and programming features shall include:

- Ready LED to indicate AC power to the station is satisfactory
- Pump Run LED to indicate pump is operating (LCD indicates which pump is running)
- Trouble LED indicator and predictive Visual Alarm notification (“blinking” alarm lamp; clears on Normal cycle)
- High Level Alarm LED indicator (LCD indicates which pump is in alarm)
- Manual Run switch to manually activate pumps
- Lead/Lag indication (LCD indicates which pump is lead)
- Menu-driven programmable controller with navigation overlay-type buttons (Enter, Scroll, Up, Down)
- Normal Operation LED and Mode button for Mode status
- Pump Performance menu LED with LCD display of the following pump performance statistics:
  - Real-time Voltage
  - Real-time Amperage
  - Real-time Wattage
  - Minimum/Maximum/Average Voltage
  - Minimum/Maximum/Average Amperage
  - Minimum/Maximum/Average Wattage
  - Minimum/Maximum Run-time
  - Average Run-time
  - Last Run-time
  - Cycle/Event Counter
  - Run Time Counter (Hour Meter)

- Diagnostics Menu LED
- Initialize System Menu LED
- Run Limit Menu LED
- Alarm Delay Menu LED
- Power Delay Menu LED
- Pump alternating options (no alternation, adjustable time based and test)
- Pump alternating time options — 24 hours to 72 hours in 12-hour increments

**Service Equipment/Main Service Disconnect Breaker** – A separate, internal breaker that is rated and approved for use as “service equipment” and acts as a main service disconnect of the grinder pump station shall be provided.

**Remote Sentry Indoor Alarm Module** – A separate, remote indoor alarm module shall be provided to indicate a high level alarm with or without AC power to the grinder pump station. The Remote Sentry indoor alarm module shall have an internal power source enabling its continued operation without AC power. The Remote Sentry shall have an audible alarm and a visual alarm, both of which shall automatically reset if the high level alarm condition is eliminated. The Remote Sentry indoor alarm module shall include a Silence button for the audible alarm and a Test button. This item shall be installed inside the adjacent pre-engineered metal building where visible to the occupants, but protected from damage.

- 2.14 SERVICEABILITY:** The grinder pump core, including level sensor assembly, shall have two lifting hooks complete with lift-out harness connected to its top housing to facilitate easy core removal when necessary. The level sensor assembly must be easily removed from the pump assembly for service or replacement. All mechanical and electrical connections must provide easy disconnect capability for core unit removal and installation. Each EQD half must include a water-tight cover to protect the internal electrical pins while the EQD is unplugged. A pump push-to-run feature will be provided for field trouble shooting. The push-to-run feature must operate the pump even if the level sensor assembly has been removed from the pump assembly. All motor control components shall be mounted on a readily replaceable bracket for ease of field service.
- 2.15 OSHA CONFINED SPACE:** All maintenance tasks for the grinder pump station must be possible without entry into the grinder pump station (as per OSHA 1910.146 Permit-required confined spaces). *“Entry means the action by which a person passes through an opening into a permit-required confined space. Entry includes ensuing work activities in that space and is considered to have occurred as soon as any part of the entrant’s body breaks the plane of an opening into the space.”*
- 2.16 SAFETY:** The grinder pump shall be free from electrical and fire hazards as required in a residential environment. As evidence of compliance with this requirement, the completely assembled and wired grinder pump station shall be listed by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., to be safe and appropriate for the intended use. UL listing of components of the station, or third-party testing to UL standard are not acceptable.

The grinder pump shall meet accepted standards for plumbing equipment for use in or near residences, shall be free from noise, odor, or health hazards, and shall have been tested by an independent laboratory to certify its capability to perform as specified in either individual or low pressure sewer system applications. As evidence of compliance with this requirement, the grinder pump shall bear the seal of NSF International. Third-party testing to NSF standard is not acceptable.

### 3.0 EXECUTION

- 3.01 FACTORY TEST:** Each grinder pump shall be submerged and operated for 1.5 minutes (minimum). Included in this procedure will be the testing of all ancillary components such as, the anti-siphon

valve, check valve, discharge assembly and each unit's dedicated level controls and motor controls. All factory tests shall incorporate each of the above listed items. Actual appurtenances and controls which will be installed in the field shall be particular to the tested pump only. A common set of appurtenances and controls for all pumps is not acceptable. Certified test results shall be available upon request showing the operation of each grinder pump at two different points on its curve. Additional validation tests include: integral level control performance, continuity to ground and acoustic tests of the rotating components.

The **ENGINEER** reserves the right to inspect such testing procedures with representatives of the **OWNER**, at the **GRINDER PUMP MANUFACTURER'S** facility.

All completed stations shall be factory leak tested to assure the integrity of all joints, seams and penetrations. All necessary penetrations such as inlets, discharge fittings and cable connectors shall be included in this test along with their respective sealing means (grommets, gaskets etc.).

- 3.02 CERTIFIED SERVICE PROGRAM:** The grinder pump **MANUFACTURER** shall provide a program implemented by the **MANUFACTURER'S** personnel as described in this specification to certify the service company as an authorized serviced center. As evidence of this, the **MANUFACTURER** shall provide, when requested, sufficient evidence that they have maintained their own service department for a minimum of 30 years and currently employ a minimum of five employees specifically in the service department.

As part of this program, the **MANUFACTURER** shall evaluate the service technicians as well as the service organization annually. The service company will be authorized by the **MANUFACTURER** to make independent warranty judgments. The areas covered by the program shall include, as a minimum:

1. Pump Population Information — The service company will maintain a detailed database for the grinder pumps in the territory that tracks serial numbers by address.
2. Inventory Management — The service company must maintain an appropriate level of inventory (pumps, tanks, panels, service parts, etc.) including regular inventory review and proper inventory labeling. Service technicians will also maintain appropriate parts inventory and spare core(s) on service vehicles.
3. Service Personnel Certification — Service technicians will maintain their level-specific certification annually. The certifications are given in field troubleshooting, repair, and training.
4. Service Documentation and Records — Start up sheets, service call records, and customer feedback will be recorded by the service company.
5. Shop Organization — The service company will keep its service shop organized and pumps will be tagged with site information at all times. The shop will have all required equipment, a test tank, and cleaning tools necessary to service pumps properly.

- 3.03 DELIVERY:** All grinder pump core units, including level controls, will be delivered to the job site 100 percent completely assembled, including testing, ready for installation. Grinder pump cores will be shipped separately from the tanks. Installing the cores and discharge piping/hose into the tanks is the only assembly step required and allowed due to the workmanship issues associated with other on-site assembly. Grinder pump cores must be boxed for ease of handling.

- 3.04 INSTALLATION:** Earth excavation and backfill are specified under **SITE WORK**, but are also to be done as a part of the work under this section, including any necessary sheeting and bracing.

The **CONTRACTOR** shall be responsible for handling ground water to provide a firm, dry subgrade for the structure, and shall guard against flotation or other damage resulting from general water or flooding.

The grinder pump stations shall not be set into the excavation until the installation procedures and excavation have been approved by the **ENGINEER**.

Remove packing material. User instructions **MUST** be given to the **OWNER**. Hardware supplied with the unit, if required, will be used at installation. The basin will be supplied with standard inlet grommets sized for the incoming sewer lines. Appropriate inlet piping must be used. The basin may not be dropped, rolled or laid on its side for any reason.

Installation shall be accomplished so that 1 inch to 4 inches of accessway, below the bottom of the lid, extends above the finished grade line. The finished grade shall slope away from the unit. The diameter of the excavated hole must be large enough to allow for the concrete anchor.

A 6" inch (minimum) layer of naturally rounded aggregate, clean and free flowing, with particle size of not less than 1/8" or more than 3/4" shall be used as bedding material under each unit.

A concrete anti-flotation collar, as detailed on the drawings, and sized according to the manufacturer's instructions, shall be required and shall be poured in place.

When the concrete is poured in place, the unit shall be leveled, and filled with water, to the bottom of the inlet, to help prevent the unit from shifting while the concrete is being poured. The concrete must be manually vibrated to ensure there are no voids. If it is necessary to pour the concrete to a level higher than the inlet piping, an 8" sleeve is required over the inlet prior to the concrete being poured.

E/One requires that an E/One Uni-Lateral assembly (E/One part number NB0184PXX or NC0193GXX) or E/One Redundant Check Valve (E/One part number PC0051GXX) be installed in the pipe lateral outside between the pump discharge and the street main on all installations.

The electrical enclosure shall be furnished, installed and wired to the grinder pump station by the **CONTRACTOR**. An alarm device is required on every installation, there shall be **NO EXCEPTIONS**. It will be the responsibility of the **CONTRACTOR** and the **ENGINEER** to coordinate with the individual property owner(s) to determine the optimum location for the alarm panel.

The **CONTRACTOR** shall mount the alarm device in a conspicuous location, as per national and local codes. The alarm panel will be connected to the grinder pump station by a length of 6-conductor type TC cable as shown on the contract drawings. The power and alarm circuits must be on separate power circuits. The grinder pump stations will be provided with 32 feet total, 25 feet of useable, electrical supply cable to connect the station to the alarm panel. This cable shall be supplied with a **FACTORY INSTALLED** EQD half to connect to the mating EQD half on the core.

- 3.05 BACKFILL REQUIREMENTS:** Proper backfill is essential to the long-term reliability of any underground structure. Several methods of backfill are available to produce favorable results with different native soil conditions. The most highly recommended method of backfilling is to surround the unit to grade using Class I backfill material as defined in ASTM 2321. Class 1A and Class 1B are recommended where frost heave is a concern.

If you are unsure of the consistency of the native soil, it is recommended that a geotechnical evaluation of the material is obtained before specifying backfill.

Another option is the use of a flowable fill (i.e., low slump concrete). This is particularly attractive when installing grinder pump stations in augured holes where tight clearances make it difficult to

assure proper backfilling and compaction with dry materials. Flowable fills should not be dropped more than four feet from the discharge to the bottom of the hole to avoid separation of the constituent materials.

Backfill of clean, native earth, free of rocks, roots, and foreign objects, shall be thoroughly compacted in lifts not exceeding 6" to a final Proctor Density of not less than 90%. Improper backfilling may result in damaged accessways. The grinder pump station shall be installed at a minimum depth from grade to the top of the 1 1/4" discharge line, to assure maximum frost protection. The finish grade line shall be 1" to 4" below the bottom of the lid, and final grade shall slope away from the grinder pump station.

All restoration will be the responsibility of the **CONTRACTOR**. Per unit costs for this item shall be included in the **CONTRACTOR'S** bid price for the individual grinder pump station. The properties shall be restored to their original condition in all respects, including, but not limited to, curb and sidewalk replacement, landscaping, loaming and seeding, and restoration of the traveled ways, as directed by the **ENGINEER**.

- 3.06 START-UP AND FIELD TESTING:** The **MANUFACTURER** shall provide the services of qualified factory trained technician(s) who shall inspect the placement and wiring of each station, perform field tests as specified herein, and instruct the **OWNER'S** personnel in the operation and maintenance of the equipment before the stations are accepted by the **OWNER**.

All equipment and materials necessary to perform testing shall be the responsibility of the **INSTALLING CONTRACTOR**. This includes, as a minimum, a portable generator and power cable (if temporary power is required), water in each basin (filled to a depth sufficient to verify the high level alarm is operating), and opening of all valves in the system. These steps shall be completed prior to the qualified factory trained technician(s) arrival on site.

The services of a trained, factory-authorized technician shall be provided at a rate of 40 hours for every 100 grinder pump stations supplied.

Upon completion of the installation, the authorized factory technician(s) will perform the following test on each station:

1. Make certain the discharge shut-off valve in the station is fully open.
2. Turn ON the alarm power circuit and verify the alarm is functioning properly.
3. Turn ON the pump power circuit. Initiate the pump operation to verify automatic "on/off" controls are operative. The pump should immediately turn ON.
4. Consult the Manufacturer's Service Manual for detailed start-up procedures.

Upon completion of the start-up and testing, the **MANUFACTURER** shall submit to the **ENGINEER** the start-up authorization form describing the results of the tests performed for each grinder pump station. Final acceptance of the system will not occur until authorization forms have been received for each pump station installed and any installation deficiencies corrected.

#### **4.0 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**

- 4.01 SPARE CORE:** The **MANUFACTURER** will supply one spare grinder pump core for every 50 grinder pump stations installed or portion thereof, complete with all operational controls, level sensors, check valve, anti-siphon valve, pump/motor unit, and grinder.

**4.02 MANUALS:** The **MANUFACTURER** shall supply four copies of Operation and Maintenance Manuals to the **OWNER**, and one copy of the same to the **ENGINEER**.

END OF SECTION

**WARRANTY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATION**

As a pre-bid certification requirement, each bidder shall provide a Warranty Performance Certification executed by the most senior executive officer, which certifies a minimum of a two (2) year warranty. They must further detail any exclusions from the warranty or additional cost items required to maintain the equipment in warrantable condition, including all associated labor and shipping fees, and certify that the manufacturer will bear **all** costs to correct original equipment deficiency for the effective period of the warranty.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, by and through my duly authorized signature below as its most senior operating executive, certify that \_\_\_\_\_ will provide a two (2) year warranty on grinder pump equipment manufactured and supplied by \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ project. I further certify that, other than failure to install equipment in accordance with manufacturer's instructions, no exclusions and/or cost items to maintain said equipment in warrantable condition, including labor, travel and shipping fees, exist except as detailed immediately below:

EXCLUSIONS: \_\_\_\_\_ 1.  
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_

COST ITEMS TO MAINTAIN EQUIPMENT IN WARRANTABLE CONDITION:	Required Frequency (mos)	Avg. monthly cost (\$) times warranty period
1. _____	_____	\$ _____
2. _____	_____	\$ _____
3. _____	_____	\$ _____
4. _____	_____	\$ _____
5. _____	_____	\$ _____

Total labor/material cost to maintain equipment in warrantable condition for warranty period (\$): \_\_\_\_\_

For any items not identified as exclusions or additional cost items above, OR for additional labor & material costs required to maintain equipment in warrantable condition that exceed the Avg. monthly cost (\$) detailed above, \_\_\_\_\_ will bear all costs to correct such original equipment deficiency for the effective period of the warranty including all applicable labor, travel and shipping fees.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

## MANUFACTURER'S DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Note: To be completed if proposing an alternate

### 1.0 GENERAL:

#### 1.01 General Description

Describe all non-conforming aspects to the specification:

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#### 1.04 Experience

List 10 low pressure sewer system installations ***of the type of pump/station specified (progressive cavity type)*** that have been in operation for a period of no less than ten years with a minimum of 100 pumps pumping into a "common" low pressure sewer system. Provide Name and Location, Contact Name, Phone Number, Number of Pumps, and Install Date for each.

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#### 1.05 Operating Conditions

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#### 1.06 Warranty

Fully state the manufacturer's warranty:

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### 2.0 PRODUCT:



**2.01 Pump**

Describe all non-conforming aspects to the specification:

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**2.02 Grinder**

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**2.03 Motor**

Describe all non-conforming aspects to the specification:

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**2.05 Tank**

Describe all non-conforming aspects to the specification:

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**2.07 Electrical Quick Disconnect**

Describe all non-conforming aspects to the specification:

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**2.08 Check Valve**

Describe all non-conforming aspects to the specification:

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**2.09 Anti-Siphon Valve**

Describe all non-conforming aspects to the specification:

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**2.11 Controls**

Describe all non-conforming aspects to the specification:

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**2.16 Safety**

Describe all non-conforming aspects to the specification:

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**3.0 EXECUTION:**

**3.01 Factory Test**

Describe all non-conforming aspects to the specification:

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I attest that all questions are answered truthfully and all non-conforming aspects to the specifications have been described where requested.

Manufacturer: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Corporate Officer Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of Corporate Officer

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Signature