SECTION 692 – VOLUNTARY PARTNERING

692.01 Description. This section describes voluntary partnering and applies to non-resurfacing projects with a construction cost estimated at over $10 million.

692.02 Materials. Not applicable.

692.03 Construction. Department intends to encourage foundation of cohesive partnership with Contractor and its principal subcontractors and suppliers. Each organization will structure this partnership to draw on strengths and to identify and achieve reciprocal goals. Objectives are effective and efficient contract performance and completion within budget, on schedule, and in accordance with contract documents.

Partnership will be bilateral in makeup and participation will be voluntary. Both parties will agree and share equally in costs associated with effectuating this partnering.

Contractor's management personnel and Highways Division's Construction and Maintenance Branch (HWY-C) or District Office will initiate partnering before start of work and before preconstruction conference. Initiate a partnering development seminar/team building workshop. Department's District Construction Engineer and Contractor's authorized representative will be coordinators in determining attendees, agenda, location, and duration of workshop.

Persons attending seminar/workshop will be Department's and Contractor's Project Site Engineers, other key on-site project personnel, senior management level personnel and authorized representatives of subcontractors and suppliers. Other attendees, as applicable to the project, include key personnel from:

(1) Design consultants and subconsultants.

(2) State division branches such as:
   (a) Traffic.
   (b) Materials Testing & Research Laboratory.
   (c) Design.
   (d) Planning.
   (e) Right-of-Way.

(3) Other State Departments or Agencies such as:
(a) Health.
(b) Land & Natural Resources.
(c) Disabilities Communication Access Board.

(4) County Departments or Agencies such as:
(a) Public Works.
(b) Transportation Services.
(c) Wastewater Management.

(5) Federal Agencies such as:
(a) Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).
(b) U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
(c) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

(6) Utility Owners such as:
(a) Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO).
(b) Verizon Hawaii.
(c) The Gas Company.
(d) U.S. Army Signal Corps.
(e) Oceanic Cable TV.

Contractor's authorized representative and Department's Construction or Resident Engineer may hold follow-up workshop periodically throughout duration of contract.

Establishment of a partnership charter on a project will not change legal relationship of parties to contract nor relieve either party from terms of contract.

692.04 Measurement. Engineer will measure voluntary partnering on a force account basis in accordance with Subsection 109.06 - Force Account Provisions and Compensation and as ordered by Engineer.
692.05 **Basis of Payment.** Engineer will pay for accepted voluntary partnering on a contract force account basis in accordance with Subsection 109.06 - Force Account Provisions and Compensation. Payment will be full compensation for work prescribed in this section, by Engineer and contract documents.

Engineer will pay for following pay item when included in proposal schedule:

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An estimated amount for force account may be allocated in proposal schedule under “Voluntary Partnering”, but actual amount to be paid will be the sum shown on accepted force account records, whether this sum be more or less than estimated amount allocated in proposal schedule.

END OF SECTION 692