NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF RIGHT OF WAY

AGREEMENT FOR ADVANCE PAYMENT Inclusive of Interest and Pro-Rata Taxes

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COUNTY Niagara T	OWN/CITY Niagara Falls	VILLAGE
THIS AGREEMENT, made this	day of <u>x</u>	, <u>X</u> , between

City of Niagara Falls 745 Main Street Niagara Falls, NY 14301

hereinafter referred to as "Claimant," and the **COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK**, hereinafter referred to as "the State," <u>pursuant to statute</u>,

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the aforementioned statute, the State is appropriating or has appropriated, for the purpose of the above identified project, certain property shown and described on the above designated map(s), and

WHEREAS, the Claimant represents that Claimant is or was at the time of said appropriation the owner of the property affected by said appropriation or of some right, title, or interest therein, and

WHEREAS, the value of the property appropriated and legal damages caused by said appropriation, as set forth in paragraph numbered 1 below, cannot be agreed upon, and

WHEREAS, the State is willing to pay an amount equal to the amount determined by the Commissioner of Transportation to be the value of all claims for the property appropriated and legal damages caused by said appropriation, as so set forth in paragraph numbered 1 below, on the terms and conditions hereinafter stated,

NOW, THEREFORE, it is understood and agreed by and between the parties as follows:

- 1. The State will pay to the Claimant the sum of **Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$500.00)**, the amount hereby determined by the Commissioner of Transportation to be the value of all claims for the property appropriated and legal damages caused by such appropriation, including all damages incurred by virtue and during the pendency of said appropriation proceedings, and including all damages to the remainder of said affected property, if any, of which the appropriated area formed a part, whether caused by said appropriation or by the use of said appropriated property, excepting the aggregate value, if any, of claims hereinafter specifically excluded.
- It is understood and agreed that the compensation herein fixed includes interest up to and including the date of payment, and also is inclusive of any amount claimed for pro-rata payment of all real property taxes, water and sewer rents, levies, or charges paid or payable to a taxing entity.
- 3. The Claimant agrees, as a prerequisite to such advance payment, to execute and deliver or cause the execution and delivery to the Attorney General of all formal papers which the Attorney General deems reasonably necessary, which will be identified upon written request by the Claimant to the Department of Transportation, to authorize payment and to secure to the State a full release of all claims (other than the claim of Claimant) by reason of the aforementioned appropriation, including claims by reason of any estate or interest in the streams, lakes, drainage and irrigation ditches or channels, streets, roads, highways, or public or private rights of way, if any, adjacent to or abutting the above-mentioned property required for the purposes of said project.
- 4. Payment is to be made hereunder only upon approval of this Agreement by the Comptroller of the State of New York or the Director of Office of Right of Way and upon certificate of the Attorney General of the State of New York as required by law.
- 5. This Agreement is exclusive of the claims, if any, of persons other than owners of the appropriated property, their tenants, mortgagees, and lienors, having any right or interest in any stream, lake, drainage and irrigation ditch or channel, street, road, highway, or public or private rights of way, or the bed thereof, within the limits of the appropriated property or contiguous thereto.
- 6. This Agreement is also exclusive of claims, if any, (other than the claim of Claimant) for the value of or damage to easements and appurtenant facilities for the construction, operation, and maintenance of publicly owned or public service electric, telephone, telegraph, pipe, water, sewer, and railroad lines. This agreement is made exclusive of the rights, if any, of any and all persons other than the claimant of, in and to any and all mines, minerals and mineral, ore, quarries, petroleum deposits, or any lease covering oil, gas or mineral rights.

- 7. The Claimant hereby reserves the right to file a claim with the Court of Claims, or, if a claim has been filed, reserves the right to prosecute said claim, it being understood, however, that such reservation shall not extend or affect in any way the time limit for the filing of such claim as provided for in the Eminent Domain Procedure Law.
- 8. It is agreed that, if the Court of Claims finds the value of the property appropriated and legal damages caused by said appropriation as set forth in paragraph numbered 1 above is equal to or exceeds the advance payment made hereunder, the amount of such advance payment shall be deducted from the amount so found by the Court and the award of said Court shall be in the amount of the excess, if any, over and above said advance payment. It is also agreed that no interest shall be allowed in such award on the amount of such advance payment. In the event the amount so found by the Court is less than the amount of said advance payment, upon the filing in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Claims of a Certified copy of this Agreement together with Certification by the Comptroller of the State of New York of such payment and upon application made to the Court on at least eight days notice to Claimant, the Court shall direct the Clerk to enter judgment dismissing the claim and awarding to the State the difference between the awards as found by the Court and the amount of said advance payment with appropriate interest. It is further agreed that in any trial of a claim that may be filed by Claimant, neither the determination of the Commissioner of Transportation, as hereinabove set forth, nor any data, estimates, or appraisals made or prepared in support thereof, shall be evidence of the value of the claim or of the property affected by said claim.
- 9. It is understood and agreed by and between the parties hereto that, pursuant to statute, if no claim is filed by Claimant in the Court of Claims within the statutory time limit set forth in the Eminent Domain Procedure Law, then, upon the expiration of that time, this Agreement for Advance Payment shall automatically become an Agreement of Adjustment in full and complete settlement of all claims as referred to in Paragraph #1 hereof without further ratification, approval, or consent by Claimant and Claimant shall be deemed to have released Claimant's claim against the State without further acquittance, receipt, or satisfaction therefor in consideration of the payment made hereunder.
- 10. This Agreement is exclusive of claims, if any, for payment of allowable moving expenses of owners, occupants, or tenants of residential and commercial property.

THIS AGREEMENT shall inure to the benefit of and bind the distributees, legal representatives, successors, and assigns of the parties.

 $\hbox{IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.}\\$

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