

INFORMATION FOR CLIENTS REGARDING EARTH CONSULTANTS INTERNATIONAL'S SERVICES

We provide technical consulting services in the fields of geotechnical and environmental engineering. As consultants, we provide professional opinions based on limited observations and often-changing conditions. Due to the nature of our work, there are unavoidable risks. We call your attention specifically to the following points:

- Our professional opinions will be based in part upon data obtained from a limited number of soil and/or other samples, tests analyses, histories of occurrences, spaced subsurface explorations and limited numbers of historical events and observations. Such information is necessarily limited and incomplete.

The accuracy, value and analytical significance of borings and other field and laboratory procedures and data relate only to their specific time and location. The nature of many sites is such that differing characteristics can be experienced within small distances and under various climatic conditions. Greater accuracy is obtained when the number and frequency of procedures and analyses are increased, but we recognize the necessity of budgetary constraints, and have agreed with you on the Scope of Work taking into account such constraints.

If conditions change, unexpected events occur, or variations or latent conditions are later discovered, they may have an impact on the way systems perform, and/or it will be necessary to reevaluate conclusions and recommendations. Such impacts may also necessitate a change in the applicable Scope(s) of Work.

- The Services involve tests, calculations, analyses and procedures which are in a constant of development and refinement. Evaluative techniques are evolving.

Modifications of procedures have been made in the past, and are now being made, and are expected to continue to be made in the future. Standards existing at present may be revised as knowledge increases and the state of the practice in our profession continues to improve.

Because of the inherent risks and uncertainties in our Services, our contract contains specific limitations of liability. EARTH CONSULTANTS cannot guarantee that geotechnical services or opinions will prove adequate and the client assumes the risk of failure of such services.

At times, clients elect to utilize new, state of the art, or innovative techniques, system, or approaches for cost, schedule or other reasons. Sometimes governmental or regulatory agencies will allow the use of a new technique, process, or system before it has been thoroughly tested. If you elect to use unproven or new techniques, they may fail, despite the exercise of due care on our part, and despite agency approvals.

- Our work products shall be based solely upon the Services described in the Scope of Work, and not on tasks, procedures or tests beyond the scope of described Services on the time and budgetary constraints reflected in the Scope of Work.

We appreciate your business and look forward to working with you.

