

# **COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT**

## **High Voltage Traffic Control Services**

**October 12, 2011 – December 31, 2012**

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## **AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO ON THIS 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2011.

BETWEEN: HIGH VOLTAGE TRAFFIC CONTROL SERVICES

(Hereinafter called the “Company” and sometimes referred to as the “Employer”)

OF THE FIRST PART;

AND: LOCAL UNION 258 OF THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS, being a trade union within the meaning of the Labour Relations Code (1993) and amendments thereto.

(Hereinafter called the “Union” and sometimes referred to as the “Local Union”)

OF THE SECOND PART;

WHEREAS the Employer and the Local Union wish to create and maintain continuing harmonious labour/management relations, therefore, in pursuance thereof, the Employer and the Union wish to make a common Collective Agreement; and

WHEREAS the Employer and the Union have carried on collective bargaining, and the Employer and the Union are prepared to enter into a common Collective Agreement upon the terms and conditions contained herein; and

WHEREAS it is recognized that the Agreement is a contract between parties of equal status; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, subject to applicable legislation, the parties mutually agree as follows:

### **ARTICLE 1 - TERM OF AGREEMENT**

#### **Article 1.01**

Commencing on October 12, 2011, this Agreement shall be in full force and effect and shall be binding on the parties until the December 31, 2012, and thereafter reopened as provided herein. Either party may at any time within four (4) months immediately preceding the day of expiry of the Agreement by written notice require the other party to the Agreement to commence collective bargaining.

The operation of Section 50(2) of the Labour Relations Code (1993) as amended is hereby excluded pursuant to Section 50(3) of the said Code.

### Article 1.02

Should any part hereof or any provision herein contained be rendered or declared invalid by reason of existing or subsequently enacted legislation or by any degree of a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidation or such part or portion of the Agreement shall not invalidate the remaining portions hereof and such remaining portions shall continue in full force and effect. The parties shall thereupon seek to negotiate substitute provisions, which are in conformity with the applicable laws.

### Article 1.03

Any amendments or substitution as aforementioned shall be reduced to writing stating the effective date and duration thereof, and be executed by the parties hereto in the same manner as this Agreement.

### Article 1.04

Should it become necessary during the life of this Agreement to introduce in any phase of the operation, any new class of work, within the scope of this Agreement, the job classification and its associated rate shall be discussed and agreed upon prior to introduction. Should the parties fail to reach agreement, the matter shall be submitted to Arbitration in accordance with Article 4.02 herein.

## **ARTICLE 2 - UNION RECOGNITION AND WORK JURISDICTION**

### Article 2.01

For the purpose of collective bargaining with respect to rates of pay, wages and other conditions of employment, the Company recognizes the Local Union as the exclusive representative of those employees coming under jurisdiction of the Local Union.

### Article 2.02

All employees covered by this Agreement if not already members of the Union shall make immediate application for membership, and sign a Union Dues Deduction Authorization Card that shall be provided by the Employer, on behalf of the Local Union and, if accepted, shall become members and remain in good standing of the Union while employed in any capacity covered by this Agreement.

### Article 2.03

Upon hire, employees will be advised that as a condition of employment they are required to execute an assignment of dues to the Local Union. The Employer will honour assignment for union dues and fees and remit the fees and dues to the Financial Secretary of Local Union 258 within fifteen (15) days from the end of the month that the dues are deducted for, providing the employee's name, rate, dues assessment and month deducted.

#### Article 2.04

It is agreed that no part of this Agreement is to be interpreted as requiring members of the Local Union to work behind a legal picket line where a strike, lockout or other conditions detrimental to the interest of the Local Union prevail.

#### Article 2.05

The parties agree that there will not be any strike or lockout during the life of this Agreement.

#### Article 2.06

Representatives of the Local Union may, with permission from the Company, have access to that portion of the Company's operations where Local Union members are employed. Such permission shall not be unreasonably withheld.

#### Article 2.07

Subject to the provisions of this Agreement, the management, direction, promotion and discipline of the working force is vested exclusively in the Employer. Where discipline is imposed by the Employer, the Local Union will be advised in writing.

#### Article 2.08

It is understood that all Traffic Control Persons hired by the Employer are hired to an "on-call" position.

### **ARTICLE 3 - SHOP STEWARDS**

#### Article 3.01

The Union shall appoint a Shop Steward or Stewards at each location considered necessary. In some instances where there is more than one (1) Shop Steward, the Union may appoint a Chief Shop Steward. The Union shall notify the local management of the Employer as to the names of each Steward. The Employer shall likewise notify the Brotherhood as to the names and locations of each supervisor.

#### Article 3.02

Stewards shall report to their immediate supervisors and request permission to leave the job before leaving work to conduct Union business during working hours.

#### Article 3.03

The Company shall allow Stewards to conduct said business within their assigned areas of representation, unless such action would seriously interfere with operations. In such instances, the immediate supervisor will make arrangements for the Stewards to leave the job as soon thereafter as operations will permit.

#### Article 3.04

No Shop Steward, committee member or employee shall be discriminated against or jeopardized in standing or suffer any loss of conditions or employment on account of membership in or for legitimate activities on behalf of the Local Union.

#### Article 3.05

The Company shall pay employees at prevailing regular rates for Union business conducted during their regular business hours. When the Union requests an employee be off work to conduct Union Business, the Union will pay the employee's regular hourly rate.

#### Article 3.06 – Bulletin Board

At least one bulletin board shall be maintained at the Employer's office for rules and regulations of the Company and Union notices to the employees represented by the Union.

### **ARTICLE 4 - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE AND ARBITRATION**

#### Article 4.01 - Preamble

The following is the procedure that shall be used to adjust and settle all matters of complaints, disputes, grievances and controversies pertaining to the interpretation, application, operation or any alleged violation of this Agreement and any matter, which may arise between the Company and the Union. It is mutually agreed by both Parties that it is the spirit and intent to adjust complaints and grievances as quickly as possible, and it is generally understood that an employee has no grievance until they have first given their foreman or supervisor an opportunity to adjust the complaint. If the complaint is not adjusted to the satisfaction of the employee within a period of ten (10) working days or such longer period as may be mutually agreed upon, it may be processed in accordance with the following grievance steps.

## Article 4.02 - Grievance Steps

### Step 1

The grievor, with the assistance of their Shop Steward, where applicable, will submit the grievance in writing to the Business Manager of the Union who will take the matter up with the appropriate Company official within ten (10) working days of the Company's reply in Step 1.

### Step 2

Failing resolution of the difference or dispute at Step 1, the matter may be referred to a Board of Arbitration constituted under the provisions of the Arbitration Act. Arbitration proceedings must be commenced with sixty (60) calendar days after failure of settlement at Step 1. The said Board shall consist of a single Arbitrator who shall be agreed to by both parties, or failing agreement to be appointed by the Labour Relations Board at the request of the parties to this Agreement. The decision of the Board of Arbitration shall be final and binding on both parties. Each party shall pay one-half (2) of the fees and expenses of the Board of Arbitration. The Board of Arbitration shall complete its sitting and hand down its award within thirty (30) days of its appointment, except that this time may be extended with the mutual consent of the Employer and the Local Union.

The Board of Arbitration shall not have power to alter or change any of the provisions of this Agreement or to substitute any new provisions for any existing provisions thereof, and, in reaching its decision it shall be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 5 – SENIORITY AND PROBATION**

### Article 5.01 - Definition of Seniority

Seniority is defined as an employee's accumulated service with the Employer from the initial date of hiring and will be the major consideration in determining the order of dispatch, subject to the ability to perform the required work. .

Where employees have been dispatched to a job site and there is a reduction in the number of employees required, the remaining work will be performed by the most senior qualified employee among those already dispatched to that job. The Union recognizes that in some instances the seniority list could be circumvented by a contractor name requesting a specific person.

The Employer may find it necessary to move an employee to another job, however the employee will be returned to their original position as soon as possible. When a job ceases for more than fourteen (14) days, it will be considered a new job.

Employees absent due to WCB, vacation or personal injury will be returned to the job they left from, if that job still exists. When employees request a removal from a job they will lose their call back.

#### Article 5.02 – Emergency/Trouble Call

The senior first available employee living closest to the trouble area will be called for the job. Emergencies and trouble calls will include: traffic accident; wire down; gas leak; police incident or another circumstance of similar nature to the above mentioned.

#### Article 5.03 - Probationary Period

New employees will be required to complete an initial probationary period of not more than an accumulation of eight hundred (800) hours to determine their suitability for continuing employment.

During this period they may be discharged for reasons of proven unsuitable conduct, insufficient experience or incompetence. The aforementioned shall not be applicable to former employees of the Employer who have completed a probationary period. The Employer may request the Union to agree to an extension of the probationary period.

Effective January 1, 2012 probationary hour requirement to be decreased to seven hundred (700) hours.

All new Lane Closure Technicians shall have a probationary period of four hundred (400) working hours to determine their suitability as a Lane Closure Technician only. This probationary period can run simultaneously as the regular probationary period if the employee has not yet concluded the same.

#### Article 5.04 - Loss of Seniority

An employee will lose his/her seniority and will be deemed to be terminated under the following circumstances:

- (a) terminated for just cause.
- (b) voluntarily terminates employment.
- (c) fails to return from Leave of Absence without notifying and/or getting an extension from the Employer.
- (d) performs no work in a twelve (12) month period.
- (e) Fails to qualify during the probationary period.
- (f) Accepting other employment during leave of absence.

#### Article 5.05 - Seniority List

The Employer will provide a current seniority list to the Union Hall upon request.

#### Article 5.06 - Credited Seniority

- (a) Absence due to annual vacation, Workers' Compensation, Local Union business, sickness and accident will in no way reduce an employee's accumulated seniority. Should a

reduction in staff occur during any of the aforementioned periods, such reductions shall be in accordance with Article 5.01.

- (b) It shall be the duty of each employee to notify the Company of the reason for absence and upon request shall furnish evidence to support the absence (excluding annual vacation, Local Union business and Workers' Compensation) and keep the Company informed of the anticipated date of return to duty.

#### Article 5.07 – Work Opportunities

When a vacancy in a position other than Traffic Control Person occurs, the Employer shall notify all employees who have completed their probationary period of the vacancy. The most senior qualified person will be offered the position.

### **ARTICLE 6 – LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

#### Article 6.01 - Union

- (a) The Company, upon receiving four (4) weeks' notice in writing from the Business Manager or designate of the Local Union, agrees to grant Leave of Absence without pay to not more than three (3) employees for full-time service with the Local Union.
- (b) The Company, upon receiving two (2) weeks' notice in writing from the Business Manager or designate of the Local Union, agrees to grant Leave of Absence without pay to Local Union members for the purposes of attending to Local Union business. Such Leaves of Absence shall not exceed three (3) in number of any one time.

#### Article 6.02 – Personal Leave

Employees requesting a Leave of Absence must do so in writing; likewise the Employer's response will be in writing. The Employer reserves the right to refuse leave when staffing requirements deem it not possible. Any employee found accepting other employment during a personal leave of absence will be terminated.

#### Article 6.03 – Bereavement Leave

Bereavement Leave of two (2) days paid at the employee's regular rate of pay will be granted where death has taken place in the immediate family. Immediate family shall be defined as: spouse, child, and parents of employee. Leave of one (1) day paid at the employee's regular rate of pay will be granted where death has taken place of in-laws, brother, sister and grandparents of the employee.

To qualify for bereavement leave an employee's seniority would have to be such as they would have worked this day.

#### Article 6.04 – Maternity Leave

An employee will be entitled to fifty-two (52) weeks of unpaid maternity leave. Maternity leave will commence eleven (11) weeks prior to the expected delivery date or later with the written consent of an employee's physician. An employee may request as additional leave if the baby has a physical, psychological or emotional condition requiring an additional period of parental care.

#### Article 6.05 – Adoption Leave

An employee will be entitled to an adoption leave of up to fifty-two (52) consecutive weeks of unpaid leave upon adoption of a child. The Employer may request proof of adoption prior to the leave being granted.

#### Article 6.06 – Parental Leave

An employee will be entitled to Parental Leave as follows:

- (a) Birth mother – if Leave in Article 6.04 has been taken, Mother is entitled to an additional 35 weeks of unpaid leave, beginning immediately after the Article 6.04 Leave.
- (b) A Birth Mother who does not take Leave in Article 6.04 is entitled to 37 weeks of unpaid leave, beginning after the child's birth and within 52 weeks after that event.
- (c) For a Birth Father – up to 37 consecutive weeks of unpaid leave, beginning after the child's birth and within 52 weeks after that event.
- (d) For Adoptive Parents – up to 37 consecutive weeks, beginning within 52 weeks after the child is placed with the parent.

#### Article 6.07 – Family Responsibility Leave

An employee is entitled to up to 5 days of unpaid leave during each employment year to meet responsibilities related to:

- (a) the care, health or education of a child in the employee's care; or
- (b) the care or health of any other member of the employee's immediate family.

#### Article 6.08 – Return from Leave of Absence

Upon return from Leave of Absence, the employee will be returned to the job held prior to the Leave of Absence or a similar job, if the prior job held by the employee no longer exists. Except in cases where the employee would have been removed from that job for just cause.

#### Article 6.09 Leave for Witness Duty

The Company will compensate an employee for the actual loss of pay when the employee appears on behalf of the Company as a witness before any Court, Board, Commission or Administrative Tribunal to testify on matters related to their work or employment with the Company.

Note: Witness: This term shall not include a person directly or indirectly involved as a party to a proceeding.

## **ARTICLE 7 - SAFETY PRACTICES**

### Article 7.01 – Workers' Compensation Regulations

Both the Employer and the Union hereby declare their intent to conduct a safe operation. Working practices shall be governed by the regulations of the province of British Columbia. All vehicles provided by the Employer shall be maintained in a manner, which makes them safe and reliable for all employees required to operate them.

### Article 7.02 - Safety Committee

The Employer shall adhere to the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Board's Industrial Health and Safety Regulations and hold regular monthly meetings as outlined in the W.C.B. Regulations.

A copy of the minutes of the Safety Committee will be posted on the Union Bulletin Board and a copy will be forwarded to the Union Hall.

### Article 7.03 - Safety Practices

- (a)
  - i Employees requiring glasses must wear glasses, preferably with safety lenses instead of contact lenses while on the job site.
  - ii W.C.B. approved safety footwear must be worn at all times while on the job site.
  - iii Employee attire will be in conformance with W.C.B. Regulation and the Employer's policy.
  
- (b) Qualifications
  - i Each employee must hold a valid Traffic Control Certificate.
  - ii Employees required to operate pilot vehicles shall be properly licensed, with the Employer paying the cost difference between the license required for piloting and a regular license.

### Article 7.04 – Safety Equipment

The Employer will provide equipment to its employees as required by the W.C.B. This equipment will include but not be limited to:

hard hats	paddle	two-way radio with back-up battery
reflective vests	staff (when required)	restrictive hearing device (when

ankle bands  
wristbands

flash light and batteries

required)  
safety goggles (when required)

Employees requiring replacement equipment must return used or faulty equipment to the Employer at the time the replacement equipment is picked up. Equipment that is the property of the Employer will not be used by the employee for any purpose other than working for the Employer.

- (a) Rain Gear: The Employer will provide one (1) set of raingear to each employee who has or attains two (2) years seniority during the term of this agreement.
- (b) Upon termination of employment, employees are required to return the company raingear.

#### Article 7.05 – Safety Boots

Upon completion of three (3) years of service employees will be entitled to a maximum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) from the Employer towards the purchase of WCB approved safety foot wear. The Employer will require a receipt for proof of purchase.

#### Article 7.06 – Inclement Weather

The safety and well-being of the employees shall be considered by the Employer at all times in deciding what work is to be performed during the inclement weather such as rain, snow, icing, severe cold or electrical storms. Employees who have reported to the job site reserve the right to refuse employment during inclement weather.

No employee will be allowed to work more than sixteen (16) hours in any twenty-four (24) hour period without the consent of the Union’s Business Manager or designate. These sixteen (16) hours to include travel time.

#### Article 7.07 – Harassment-Free Work Place

It is the intent of the parties to provide a work environment, which is free of discrimination, harassment and intimidation. No employee will be subjected to any form of a poisoned atmosphere by representatives of the Employer, other employees, or clients of the Employer. Any acts contrary to the above will not be tolerated in the work place and may result in a requirement for education and/or discipline.

#### Article 7.08 - On-the-Job Injury

- (a) If an employee is injured to such an extent that they are obliged to cease work, their wages will continue for the balance of the day on which the injury occurred.
- (b) The Company shall furnish adequate emergency transportation to and from the nearest suitable doctor or hospital for any employee injured or who has become seriously ill while in the Company’s employ.

### Article 7.09 - Accident Investigation

All accidents resulting in a fatality or injury requiring medical treatment will be investigated by one representative of the IBEW and one representative of the Employer.

The accident investigation report will be submitted to:

- (a) W.C.B.;
- (b) Employer; and
- (c) IBEW.

### Article 7.10 – First Aid Premium

First Aid Premiums shall apply when an employee is assigned by the Employer to be a First Aid Attendant on a job site and shall be paid as follows:

Level II	-	\$3.00 per hour.
Level III	-	\$3.00 per hour.

## **ARTICLE 8 – TRAINING**

### Article 8.01 – WHMIS Training

Once each calendar year the Employer will provide a WHMIS course at no cost to the employee. This course will be provided to all employees who have completed their probationary period.

### Article 8.02 – Utilities Training

Once each calendar year the Employer will provide a utility safety orientation course (B.C. Hydro – Fires and Wires, B.C. Gas safety video) at no cost to the employee. These courses are not mandatory to employees and there will not be wages paid to attend the courses.

### Article 8.03 – Probationary Period Training

It is the responsibility of the Employer to ensure that all probationary employees are trained in all aspects of Traffic Control.

### Article 8.04 – Traffic Control Person Renewal Reimbursement

Upon successful completion of the Traffic Control Person renewal exams, all employees with more than three (3) years of service with the Employer will be reimbursed the cost of their renewal exam.

## **ARTICLE 9 - BOARD AND LODGING**

### Article 9.01

The Company will provide Board and Lodging when an employee cannot reasonably return to his/her place of residence at the conclusion of the working day or shift.

Employees who elect to provide their own Board and Lodging shall be provided an allowance of sixty-five dollars (\$65.00) in lieu of same.

Employees who elect to provide their own accommodation shall receive the aforementioned allowance each day they are assigned and report at the work location that attracts a room and board requirement.

#### Article 9.02

Construction camps requiring eating, sleeping, ablution, laundry and recreation facilities that are set up for employees shall generally conform to the provisions set out in the Camp Rules and Regulations covering B.C. and Yukon Territory and the Amalgamated Building and Construction Trades' Council and the Amalgamated Construction Association of B.C. as amended from time to time, with the exception that two (2) compatible persons may be assigned to a room.

### **ARTICLE 10 - HOURS OF WORK**

#### Article 10.01

Eight (8) hours of work shall constitute a workday and forty (40) hours of work shall constitute a workweek. Hours of work may be varied by mutually agreement between the Employer and the Union.

#### Article 10.02

All time worked in addition to eight (8) hours in a day or forty (40) hours in a week shall be at overtime rates.

### **ARTICLE 11 - OVERTIME**

#### Article 11.01

The rate of pay for overtime shall be at one hundred and fifty percent (150%) of the regular rate for the first three (3) hours immediately after the regular work shift, the first eight (8) hours on Saturday.

All other overtime hours worked including time worked on Sundays and Statutory Holidays shall be at double time.

### **ARTICLE 12 – CALL OUT**

- (a) With the exception of call-out, an employee who reports for work and on reporting to work finds no work available, shall be entitled to two (2) hours' pay at their regular rate of pay. This payment shall not apply if, during the preceding workday, the Employer has notified the employee not to report for work on the day following.

Notwithstanding the aforementioned, it shall be the intent of the Employer to notify an employee as to work assignments for the following day as soon as requirements are known.

- (b) Call-out shall be for a minimum period of four (4) hours or four (4) hours' pay, starting when the employee arrives at the work site and finishing when the employee leaves the work site.

**ARTICLE 13 – SHIFT WORK AND PREMIUMS**

Article 13.01 – Definition of Shifts

- (a) First (1<sup>st</sup>) Shift - to a maximum of eight (8) continuous hours of work between the hours of 4:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- (b) Second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Shift - to a maximum of eight (8) continuous hours of work between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.
- (c) If the majority of hours worked are after 6:00 p.m. this will be considered a second shift and appropriate shift premiums shall be paid for all hours worked.

Article 13.02 – Shift Premiums

The shift premium for the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Shift will be one dollar (\$1.00) per hour for all hours worked.

**ARTICLE 14 - STATUTORY HOLIDAYS AND VACATIONS**

14.01 Annual Vacation pay and Statutory Holiday pay shall be paid to all employees on the following basis:

Up to 900 hours	900 hours to 36 months	Over 36 months
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Annual Vacation Pay:

4%	5%	6%
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Statutory Holiday Pay:

4%	5%	6%
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14.02 Annual Vacation pay and Statutory Holiday Pay shall be added each pay period to the

employee's pay cheque.

14.03 In computing the actual earnings for vacation pay, the following items shall be included: actual wages earned (including bonuses and overtime payments) and vacation pay for the preceding year.

14.04 Employees with one (1) year of service shall be granted two (2) week's vacation leave as per the Employment Standards Act, upon request. Employees with three (3) years of service shall be granted three (3) week's vacation leave as per the Employment Standards Act, upon request.

14.05 Statutory Holidays will be:

New Year's Day	Good Friday
Easter Monday	Victoria Day
Canada Day	B.C. Day
Labour Day	Thanksgiving Day
Remembrance Day	Christmas Day
Boxing Day	

14.06 In addition, days in lieu of as designated by the provincial or federal governments, and any additional holiday not related to the above holidays and gazetted by the provincial or federal governments.

## **ARTICLE 15 - PAYMENT OF WAGES**

### **Article 15.01**

- (a) Employees shall be paid not later than Friday every two (2) weeks.
- (b) If the regular payday falls on a Statutory Holiday, employees will be paid on the preceding workday.
- (c) Wages will be paid in accordance with Appendix "A" of this Collective Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 16 – LUNCH AND REST BREAKS**

### **Article 16.01 – Rest Break**

Wherever possible the Company agrees to grant all employees covered by this Agreement, two (2) fifteen (15) minute rest periods each day, one in the morning and one in the afternoon.

Wherever possible employees called upon to work overtime shall be granted a fifteen (15) minute rest period every two (2) hours while overtime lasts.

### **Article 16.02 - Lunch Break**

When an employee works five (5) continuous hours or more he/she shall be given an unpaid one-half (1/2) hour lunch period commencing between the fourth (4th) and fifth (5th) hour of work. When an employee works overtime they will be granted an unpaid one-half (1/2) hour break five (5) hours after their last half (1/2) hour break.

Article 16.03 – Missed Breaks

If an employee agrees to work through lunch breaks because no relief is available due to unforeseen circumstances, the employee shall receive payment at time and one-half (1.5) their regular rates.

**ARTICLE 17 - JOB DESCRIPTIONS**

Employees listed below shall be fully certified by way of having successfully completed a recognized Traffic Control Course.

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Probationary Traffic Control Person: | An employee who has successfully completed a recognized Traffic Control Course, and has yet to complete their probationary period.                                             |
| Traffic Control Person:              | An employee who is fully qualified in all aspects of traffic control.                                                                                                          |
| Dispatch/Flag Person:                | A certified Traffic Control Person assigned the additional responsibilities of dispatching of Flag Persons.                                                                    |
| Probationary Lane Closure Tech:      | A Lane Closure Technician who has yet to complete their probationary period.                                                                                                   |
| Lane Closure Technician:             | A Traffic Control Person trained in all aspects of traffic control and is qualified in the operation of a Lane Closure Vehicle.                                                |
| Trainer:                             | A fully qualified Traffic Control Person who trains new probationary Traffic Control Persons and reports to the Employer and training committee the progress of new employees. |
| Charge hand:                         | A fully qualified Traffic Control Person who is responsible for and directs the workforce in situations of remoteness or when the crew consists of 15 or more employees.       |

NOTES:

1. Any employee whose wage rate is greater than the respective rates in Article 14 at the date of signing this Agreement shall have their rate protected until a negotiated rate exceeds the protected rate.
2. While holding the position of Dispatcher, the Dispatch will hold top seniority in their area. Upon completion of this position, the employee will return to the spot on the seniority list that their seniority allows.
3. To receive the rate of Dispatcher/Traffic Control Person, an employee must dispatch more than two (2) crews (four (4) Traffic Control Persons.)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto affixed their hands and seals through their respective Officers on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011.

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**APPENDIX "A"**

	October 12/11	January 1/12
<u>TRAFFIC CONTROL</u>		
TRAINING RATE	\$ 15.50	\$ 15.50
TRAFFIC CONTROL PERSON	\$ 17.18	\$ 17.43
<u>LANE CLOSURE</u>		
TRAINING RATE	\$ 18.75	\$18.75
LANE CLOSURE TECHNICIAN	\$ 21.00	\$ 21.43
CHARGEHAND	\$ 22.41	\$ 22.75

The employer maintains the right to determine who is eligible to operate Company owned vehicles at any time.

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**APPENDIX "B"**

**TRAFFIC CONTROL TRAINING COMMITTEE**

TRAINING COMMITTEE:      Equal representation from Employer and Union.  
Meet quarterly.  
Discuss training needs with Employer.  
Discuss probationers' progress with Employer.

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**APPENDIX “C”**

**FAIR WAGE POLICY JOBS**

Fair Wage Policy jobs will be dispatched as per the terms of the Collective Agreement. The Fair Wage rate of pay includes all premiums and benefits payable to an employee.

However, overtime shall be paid using the base Fair Wage rate in accordance with the premiums set out in Article 11.

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**APPENDIX “D”**

When a traffic control company bids on work outside of their normal area of work, they will sign on to the Local 258 IBEW Traffic Control Agreement in effect in the area the work is to be performed in. This will not apply to wages if the wages are inferior to the wages the employees are receiving under their current Collective Agreement.

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**APPENDIX "E"**

**TRAVEL AND/OR OTHER ALLOWANCES**

Travel:

Employees required to travel more than two hundred (200) kilometers in the course of a working day, for their employment, will be paid an additional one dollar (\$1.00) per hour for all hours worked.

Sign Delivery:

Employees required to deliver signs to the job site will be paid twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per day for each day they deliver signs.

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**APPENDIX "F"**

**LANE CLOSURE TECHNICIANS**

Lane Closure Technicians will receive one-half (1/2) hours pay to pick up trucks at yard or designate place, and one-half (1/2) hours pay when they return the truck to the designated location.

All new Lane Closure Technicians hired will be placed at the bottom of the initial Lane Closure Technicians' Seniority List, as agreed to in December 2004.

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**APPENDIX "G"**  
**HEALTH AND WELFARE**  
**Effective October 1, 2012**

- (a) Effective October 1, 2012 all benefit premiums for ((b) i - iv) will be paid on a 75/25 cost share basis the employer paying 75 %. Long term disability will be self paid by the employee.
- (b)           i       Life Insurance of \$50,000.00.
- ii       Dental: Ninety percent (90%) of basic dental). Sixty percent (60%) of major dental ) combined two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) maximum per person per year.
- iii       Extended Health at ninety percent (90%) coverage with Drug Card. Add acupuncture treatment to extended health.
- iv       Vision Care: \$250.00 every twenty-four (24) months.
- v       Long term Disability coverage of one thousand, two hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) per month eligible after 17 weeks of disability.
- (c) B. C. Medical: One hundred percent (100%) employer paid after twelve (12) months of employment.

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