

**GENERAL NOTES**

1) LOCATION OF UTILITIES AND PROPERTY LINES ARE FROM THE BEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE. EXACT LOCATION AND COMPLETENESS ARE NOT GUARANTEED.

2) THE CONTRACTOR MUST VERIFY THE LOCATION OF UNDERGROUND UTILITIES WITH THE UTILITY OWNERS PRIOR TO DOING ANY WORK IN THE VICINITY. THE CONTRACTOR MUST COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS OF UTILITY OWNERS REGARDING NOTICE OF WORK AND PROTECTION OF UTILITIES. THE CONTRACTOR MUST COMPLY WITH THE CITY OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DAMAGE PREVENTION PROTOCOL CITY INFRASTRUCTURE DEPARTMENTS. ALL UTILITIES MUST BE NOTIFIED AT LEAST 48 HOURS BEFORE CONSTRUCTION. (CALL DIGGER 312-744-7000).

3) TEST PITS MUST BE EXCAVATED IN ADVANCE OF PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION IN ORDER TO CONFIRM DEPTH AND LOCATION OF EXISTING UTILITIES AND WHEN DIRECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT MANAGER. NO ADDITIONAL PAYMENT WILL BE MADE FOR TEST PIT EXCAVATION.

4) IF ANY PUBLIC OR PRIVATE UTILITIES CROSS THE WATER MAIN TRENCH AND MUST REMAIN IN PLACE, THE CONTRACTOR MUST PROTECT SAID UTILITY IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS OR AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.

5) FITTINGS AND THEIR LOCATIONS INDICATED ON THE DRAWINGS ARE TENTATIVE. THE CONTRACTOR MUST COMPLETE THE INSTALLATION WITH THE NECESSARY FITTINGS DICTATED BY FIELD CONDITIONS. NO ADDITIONAL PAYMENT WILL BE MADE FOR DEVIATIONS FROM THE INDICATED FITTINGS.

6) WORK INDICATED ON THE PLANS AND NOT REFERENCED TO A BID ITEM IS CONSIDERED INCIDENTAL TO THE WORK TO WHICH IT APPLIES AND NO ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION WILL BE ALLOWED.

7) WATER MAIN AND FITTINGS LOCATIONS SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS FOR THE NEW WATER MAINS AND APPURTENANCES MAY BE CHANGED BY THE ENGINEER DUE TO FIELD CONDITIONS. NO ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION WILL BE ALLOWED FOR SUCH CHANGES, UNLESS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER.

8) THE CONTRACTOR MUST PROVIDE THRUST RESTRAINTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS. THE CONTRACTOR MUST FURNISH AND INSTALL MECHANICAL JOINT THRUST RESTRAINT GLANDS AT ALL FITTINGS AND MECHANICAL JOINTS.

9) THE CONTRACTOR MUST VERIFY THE OPERATION OF EVERY VALVE NECESSARY FOR THE REQUIRED WATER MAIN SHUT DOWN FOR EACH PIPE SECTION. FOR VALVES OR WATER MAINS UNDER 16-INCHES IN DIAMETER THE WORK MUST BE DONE UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE AT LEAST 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO THE START OF THE JOB. A 24 HOUR ADVANCE NOTICE MUST BE GIVEN TO ALL CONSUMERS EFFECTED AND THE BUREAU OF OPERATIONS AND DISTRIBUTION. THE OPERATION OF ALL VALVES 16-INCHES IN DIAMETER AND LARGER MUST BE PERFORMED BY THE CITY FORCES PURSUANT TO A 72 HOUR ADVANCE NOTIFICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT. ANY VALVE FOUND NOT OPERABLE WILL BE REPAIRED OR REPLACED BY THE DEPARTMENT UNLESS DIRECTED OTHERWISE BY THE ENGINEER.

10) IN INSTANCES WHERE CHLORINATION IS TO BE DONE AGAINST ANY EXISTING VALVE, AT THE TIME THAT THE EXISTING WATER MAIN IS BREACHED FOR FINAL CONNECTION, THE CONTRACTOR IS TO VERIFY THAT THE EXISTING VALVES ARE IN GOOD OPERATING CONDITION AND DO NOT LEAK. ANY LEAKING VALVE SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE COMMISSIONERS' ATTENTION AND BE REPAIRED OR REPLACED PRIOR TO MAKING PIPE CONNECTIONS TO THE EXISTING WATER MAIN. THE VALVE SHOULD REMAIN IN THE CLOSED POSITION UNTIL THE NEW WATER MAIN IS APPROVED FOR SERVICE.

11) ALL OPENINGS IN EXISTING WATER MAINS MUST BE PLUGGED OR CAPPED WITH DUCTILE IRON FITTINGS UNTIL THE MAIN IS ABANDONED.

12) IF A STANDARD MECHANICAL JOINT SLEEVE DOES NOT FIT TO MAKE CONNECTION OF THE NEW PIPE TO THE EXISTING PIPE, A TRANSITION SLEEVE MUST BE USED. NO GRINDING OF THE EXISTING PIPE IS PERMITTED.

13) THE DEPARTMENT WILL PROVIDE THE NECESSARY I.E.P.A. WATER MAIN CONSTRUCTION PERMITS FOR THIS CONTRACT.

14) ABANDON EXISTING WATER MAINS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS.

15) SWAB PIPE AND FITTINGS THAT WILL NOT BE PRESSURE TESTED OR CHLORINATED WITH CHLORINE SOLUTION DURING INSTALLATION AND USE EXTRA PRECAUTION TO PREVENT SOIL AND DEBRIS FROM ENTERING THE PIPE. INCORPORATE UNTESTED PIPE INTO THE FLUSHING ROUTINE WHEN POSSIBLE. WHEN CONNECTING NEW PIPE TO THE EXISTING WATER SYSTEM, USE OPERATING PRESSURE TO VISUALLY INSPECT FOR LEAKS. WHEN FEASIBLE, PERFORM INSPECTION PRIOR TO BACKFILLING. COMPLY WITH ALL STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO BUREAU OF WATER QUALITY (312) 744-8190.

