

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON §

**SERVICES CONTRACT
FOR FIRE ALARM MONITORING
(TX-MAS-5-03FACO10)**

Important Notice: County Purchase Orders and Contracts constitute expenditures of public funds, and all vendors are hereby placed on notice that any quotes, invoices or any other forms that seek to unilaterally impose contractual or quasicontractual terms are subject to the extent authorized by Texas law, including but not limited to Tex. Const. art. XI, § 7, the Texas Government Code, the Texas Local Government Code, the Texas Transportation Code, the Texas Health & Safety Code, and Opinions of the Texas Attorney General relevant to local governmental entities.

THIS CONTRACT is made and entered into by and between **Williamson County, Texas (hereinafter "The County")**, a political subdivision of the State of Texas, acting herein by and through its governing body, and **Tyco SimplexGrinnell, (hereinafter "Service Provider")**. The County agrees to engage Service Provider as an independent contractor, to assist in providing certain operational services pursuant to the following terms, conditions, and restrictions:

I.

Services: Service Provider shall provide services *as an independent contractor* pursuant to terms and policies of the Williamson County Commissioners Court. Service Provider expressly acknowledges that he, she or it is not an employee of The County. The services include, but are not limited to the following items in order to complete the project:

- A. As described in the attached Statement of Work/Quotation(s) (for newly-added buildings), dated December 12, 2017 and marked Exhibit(s) "A1-A5" which are incorporated herein as if copied in full; and**
- B. As described in the attached Fire Alarm Monitoring Summary (for existing facilities being serviced), dated December 12, 2017 and marked Exhibit "B" which is incorporated herein as if copied in full.**

Should The County choose to add services in addition to those described in Exhibit(s) "A1-A5" and "B," such additional services shall be described in a separate

written amendment to this Contract wherein the additional services shall be described and the parties shall set forth the amount of compensation to be paid by The County for the additional services. Service Provider shall not begin any additional services and The County shall not be obligated to pay for any additional services unless a written amendment to this Contract has been signed by both parties.

II.

Effective Date and Term: This contract shall be in full force and effect when signed by all parties and shall continue for a reasonable time period for the specific project and shall terminate upon project completion or when terminated pursuant to paragraph X below.

III.

Consideration and Compensation: Service Provider will be compensated based as set forth in Exhibit(s) "A1-A5" and "B." Any changes must be made by a change order or amendment and approved by the Williamson County Commissioners Court. **Payment for goods and services shall be governed by Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code. An invoice shall be deemed overdue the 31st day after the later of (1) the date The County receives the goods under the contract; (2) the date the performance of the service under the contract is completed; or (3) the date the Williamson County Auditor receives an invoice for the goods or services. Interest charges for any overdue payments shall be paid by The County in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2251.025. More specifically, the rate of interest that shall accrue on a late payment is the rate in effect on September 1 of The County's fiscal year in which the payment becomes due. The said rate in effect on September 1 shall be equal to the sum of one percent (1%); and (2) the prime rate published in the Wall Street Journal on the first day of July of the preceding fiscal year that does not fall on a Saturday or Sunday.**

IV.

Insurance: Service Provider shall provide and maintain, until the services covered in this Contract is completed and accepted by The County, the minimum insurance coverage in the minimum amounts as described below. Coverage shall be written on an occurrence basis by companies authorized and admitted to do business in the State of Texas and rated A- or better by A.M. Best Company or otherwise acceptable to The County and name The County as an additional insured.

Type of Coverage	Limits of Liability
a. Worker's Compensation	Statutory
b. Employer's Liability	

Bodily Injury by Accident	\$500,000 Ea. Accident
Bodily Injury by Disease	\$500,000 Ea. Employee
Bodily Injury by Disease	\$500,000 Policy Limit

- c. Comprehensive general liability including completed operations and contractual liability insurance for bodily injury, death, or property damages in the following amounts:

COVERAGE	PER PERSON	PER OCCURRENCE
Comprehensive General Liability <i>(including premises, completed operations and contractual)</i>	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
Aggregate policy limits:	\$1,000,000	

Service Provider, as an independent contractor, meets the qualifications of an "Independent Contractor" under Texas Worker's Compensation Act, Texas Labor Code, Section 406.141, and must provide its employees, agents and sub-subcontractors worker's compensation coverage. Contactor shall not be entitled to worker's compensation coverage or any other type of insurance coverage held by The County.

Upon execution of this Contract, Service Provider shall provide The County with insurance certificates evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements of this Contract.

V.

Entire Contract & Incorporated Documents: This Contract constitutes the entire Contract between the parties and may not be modified or amended other than by a written instrument executed by both parties. Documents expressly incorporated (as if copied in full) into this Contract include the following:

A. As described in the attached Statement of Work/Quotation(s), dated December 12, 2017 and marked as Exhibit "A1-A5" and "B" which are incorporated herein as if copied in full;

B. TX-MAS-5-03FACO10; and

C. Any required insurance certificates evidencing required coverages.

The County reserves the right and discretion (pursuant to public policy and Texas Constitutional principles) to determine applicable provisions where there is any conflict between this Contract and any of the above-referenced contract documents/exhibits or

incorporated documents.

VI.

No Agency Relationship & Indemnification: It is understood and agreed that Service Provider shall not in any sense be considered a partner or joint venturer with The County, nor shall Service Provider hold himself out as an agent or official representative of The County unless expressly authorized to do so by a majority of the Williamson County Commissioners Court. Service Provider shall be considered an independent contractor for the purpose of this Contract and shall in no manner incur any expense or liability on behalf of The County other than what may be expressly allowed under this Contract. The County will not be liable for any loss, cost, expense or damage, whether indirect, incidental, punitive, exemplary, consequential of any kind whatsoever for any acts by Service Provider or failure to act relating to the services being provided.

VII.

INDEMNIFICATION - EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS: TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, THE SERVICE PROVIDER SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL OF THE COUNTY'S CHOOSING), AND HOLD HARMLESS THE COUNTY, AND THE COUNTY'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, PARTNERS, OFFICERS, AND DIRECTORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "INDEMNITEES") AND SHALL ASSUME ENTIRE RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY (OTHER THAN AS A RESULT OF INDEMNITEES' GROSS NEGLIGENCE) FOR ANY CLAIM OR ACTION BASED ON OR ARISING OUT OF THE PERSONAL INJURY, OR DEATH, OF ANY EMPLOYEE OF THE SERVICE PROVIDER, OR OF ANY SUBCONTRACTOR, OR OF ANY OTHER ENTITY FOR WHOSE ACTS THEY MAY BE LIABLE, WHICH OCCURRED OR WAS ALLEGED TO HAVE OCCURRED ON THE WORK SITE OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF THE WORK. SERVICE PROVIDER HEREBY INDEMNIFIES THE INDEMNITEES EVEN TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH PERSONAL INJURY WAS CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY THE SOLE, COMPARATIVE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE OF THE STRICT LIABILITY OF ANY INDEMNIFIED PARTY. THIS INDEMNIFICATION SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO DAMAGES, COMPENSATION, OR BENEFITS PAYABLE UNDER INSURANCE POLICIES, WORKERS COMPENSATION ACTS, DISABILITY BENEFITS ACTS, OR OTHER EMPLOYEES BENEFIT ACTS.

INDEMNIFICATION - OTHER THAN EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS: TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, SERVICE PROVIDER SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL OF THE COUNTY'S CHOOSING), AND HOLD HARMLESS THE COUNTY, AND THE COUNTY'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, PARTNERS, OFFICERS, AND DIRECTORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "INDEMNITEES") FROM AND AGAINST CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LOSSES AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ATTORNEYS' FEES, ARISING OUT OF OR ALLEGED TO BE RESULTING FROM THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT OR THE WORK DESCRIBED HEREIN, TO THE EXTENT CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE, ACTS, ERRORS, OR OMISSIONS OF SERVICE PROVIDER OR ITS SUBCONTRACTORS, ANYONE EMPLOYED BY THEM OR ANYONE FOR WHOSE ACTS THEY MAY BE LIABLE, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT SUCH CLAIM,

DAMAGE, LOSS OR EXPENSE IS CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY A PARTY INDEMNIFIED HEREUNDER.

VIII.

No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity or Powers: Nothing in this Contract will be deemed to constitute a waiver of sovereign immunity or powers of The County, the Williamson County Commissioners Court, or the Williamson County Judge.

IX.

Compliance with All Laws: Service Provider agrees and will comply with any and all local, state or federal requirements with respect to the services rendered.

X.

Termination: This Contract may be terminated at any time at the option of either party, without future or prospective liability for performance upon giving thirty (30) days written notice thereof.

XI.

Venue and Applicable Law: Venue of this Contract shall be Williamson County, Texas, and the laws of the State of Texas shall govern all terms and conditions.

XII.

Severability: In case any one or more of the provisions contained in this Contract shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision in this Contract and this Contract shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained in it.

XIII.

Right to Audit: Service Provider agrees that The County or its duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after final payment under this Contract, have access to and the right to examine and photocopy any and all books, documents, papers and records of Service Provider which are directly pertinent to the services to be performed under this Contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. Service Provider agrees that The County shall have access during normal working hours to all necessary Service Provider facilities and shall be provided adequate and appropriate work space in order to conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this section. The County shall give Service Provider reasonable advance notice of intended audits.

XIV.

Confidentiality: Service Provider expressly agrees that he or she will not use any incidental confidential information that may be obtained while working in a governmental setting for his or her own benefit, and agrees that he or she will not enter any unauthorized areas or access confidential information and he or she will not disclose any information to unauthorized third parties, and will take care to guard the security of the information at all times.

XV.

Good Faith Clause: Service Provider agrees to act in good faith in the performance of this Contract.

XVI.

No Assignment: Service Provider may not assign this Contract.

XVIII.

County Judge or Presiding Officer Authorized to Sign Contract: The presiding officer of The County's governing body who is authorized to execute this instrument by order duly recorded may execute this Contract on behalf of The County.

WITNESS that this Contract shall be effective as of the date of the last party's execution below.

WILLIAMSON COUNTY:


Authorized Signature

Don A. C. T. T. T.
Printed Name

Date: 12-21, 2017

SERVICE PROVIDER:


Authorized Signature

Adette Thompson
Printed Name

Date: Dec 13, 2017

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Printed Name

Date: _____, 2017

SERVICE PROVIDER:



Authorized Signature



Printed Name

Date: Dec 13 _____, 2017

Exhibit "A1-A5" & "B"
Statement of Work/Quotation

SimplexGrinnell Agreement Addendum to Services Contract for Fire Alarm Monitoring

The underlying Commercial Sales Agreement for monitoring services (the "Agreement") between SimplexGrinnell LP ("SimplexGrinnell") and Williamson County, Texas ("Subscriber") is amended as specifically set forth herein to incorporate the terms and conditions of this Addendum. This Addendum shall take effect as of the date of the Agreement. All terms used in this Addendum shall have the meanings attributed to them in the Agreement. This Addendum supersedes any and all prior understandings and agreements, oral or written, relating to the subject matter. In the event there is a conflict between the terms and conditions of the Agreement and the terms and conditions of this Addendum, the following terms and conditions of this Addendum shall control:

1. Important Notice: County Purchase Orders and Contracts constitute expenditures of public funds, and all vendors are hereby placed on notice that any quotes, invoices or any other forms that seek to unilaterally impose contractual or quasicontractual terms are subject to the extent authorized by Texas law, including but not limited to Tex. Const. art. XI, § 7, the Texas Government Code, the Texas Local Government Code, the Texas Transportation Code, the Texas Health & Safety Code, and Opinions of the Texas Attorney General relevant to local governmental entities.
2. SimplexGrinnell shall provide services *as an independent contractor* pursuant to terms and policies of the Williamson County Commissioners Court. SimplexGrinnell expressly acknowledges that it is not an employee of Subscriber.
3. Should Subscriber choose to add services in addition to those described in the Agreement, such additional services shall be described in a separate written amendment to this Agreement wherein the additional services shall be described and the parties shall set forth the amount of compensation to be paid by Subscriber for the additional services and the terms and conditions that apply to such services. SimplexGrinnell shall not begin any additional services and Subscriber shall not be obligated to pay for any additional services unless a written amendment to this Agreement has been signed by both parties.
4. SimplexGrinnell will be compensated based as set forth in the Agreement. Any changes to compensation must be made by an amendment and approved by the Williamson County Commissioners Court. Payment for goods and services shall be governed by Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code. An invoice shall be deemed overdue the 31st day after the later of the date Subscriber receives the goods under the contract; (2) the date the performance of the service under the contract is completed; or (3) the date the Williamson County Auditor receives an invoice for the goods or services. Interest charges for any overdue payments shall be paid by Subscriber in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2251.025. More specifically, the rate of interest that shall accrue on a late payment is the rate in effect on September 1 of Subscriber's fiscal year in which the payment becomes due. The said rate in effect on September 1 shall be equal to the sum of one percent (1%); and (2) the prime rate published in the Wall Street Journal on the first day of July of the preceding fiscal year that does not fall on a Saturday or Sunday. In the event that an error appears in an invoice submitted by SimplexGrinnell, Subscriber shall notify SimplexGrinnell of the error not later than the twenty first (21st) day after the date Subscriber receives

the invoice. If the error is resolved in favor of SimplexGrinnell, SimplexGrinnell shall be entitled to receive interest on the unpaid balance of the invoice submitted by SimplexGrinnell beginning on the date that the payment for the invoice became overdue. If the error is resolved in favor of the Subscriber, SimplexGrinnell shall submit a corrected invoice that must be paid in accordance within the time set forth above. The unpaid balance accrues interest as provided by Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code if the corrected invoice is not paid by the appropriate date.

5. SimplexGrinnell shall provide and maintain, until the services covered in this Agreement are completed, the minimum insurance coverage in the minimum amounts as described below.

<u>Type of Coverage</u>	<u>Limits of Liability</u>
a. Worker's Compensation	Statutory
b. Employer's Liability	
Bodily Injury by Accident	\$500,000 Ea. Accident
Bodily Injury by Disease	\$500,000 Ea. Employee
Bodily Injury by Disease	\$500,000 Policy Limit

c. Comprehensive general including completed operations and contractual liability insurance for bodily injury, death, or property damages in the following amounts.

<u>Type of Coverage</u>	<u>Per Person</u>	<u>Per Occurrence</u>
Comprehensive General Liability (including premises, completed operations and contractual)	\$500,000	\$500,000
Aggregate policy limits:		\$1,000,000

Coverage shall be written on an occurrence basis by companies authorized and admitted to do business in the State of Texas and rated A- or better by A.M. Best Company or otherwise acceptable to Subscriber and name Subscriber as an additional insured, but only to the extent of Supplier's negligence and indemnification obligations. Upon execution of this Addendum, SimplexGrinnell shall provide Subscriber with insurance certificates evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements of this Agreement.

6. No Indemnification by Subscriber. SimplexGrinnell acknowledges and agrees that under the Constitution and the laws of the State of Texas, Subscriber cannot enter into an agreement whereby Subscriber agrees to indemnify or hold harmless any other party, including but not limited to SimplexGrinnell; therefore, all references of any in this Agreement to Subscriber indemnifying, holding or saving harmless any other party, including but not limited to SimplexGrinnell, for any reason whatsoever are hereby deemed void and deleted.

7. No Agency Relationship. It is understood and agreed that SimplexGrinnell shall not in any sense be considered a partner or joint venturer with Subscriber, nor shall SimplexGrinnell hold himself out as an agent or official representative of Subscriber unless expressly authorized to do so by a majority of the Williamson County Commissioners Court. SimplexGrinnell shall be considered an independent contractor for the purpose of this Contract and shall in no manner incur any expense or liability on behalf of Subscriber other than what may be expressly allowed under this Contract.

8. Indemnification. To the fullest extent permitted by law, SimplexGrinnell shall indemnify and hold harmless Subscriber and its employees, agents, representatives, officers and directors from and against claims, damages, losses and expenses including, but not limited to attorney's fees, directly arising out of or resulting from SimplexGrinnell's onsite negligence while on Subscriber's premises.

9. Termination for Convenience. Either party may terminate this Agreement for convenience and without cause or further liability upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party. In the event of such termination, it is understood and agreed that only the amounts due to SimplexGrinnell for goods, commodities and/or services provided and expenses incurred to and including the date of termination, will be due and payable. No penalty will be assessed for Subscriber's termination of this Agreement for convenience.

10. Venue and Governing Law. Each party to this Agreement hereby agrees and acknowledges that venue and jurisdiction of any suit, right, or cause of action arising out or in connection with this Agreement shall lie exclusively in either Williamson County, Texas or in the Austin Division of the Western Federal District of Texas, and the parties hereto expressly consent and submit to such jurisdiction. Furthermore, except to the extent that this Agreement is governed by the laws of the United States, this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws or the State of Texas, excluding, however, its choice of law rules.

11. No Waiver of Immunities. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to waive, modify or amend any legal defense available at law or in equity to Subscriber, its past or present officers, employees, or agents, nor to create any legal rights or claim on behalf of any third party. Subscriber does not waive, modify, or alter to any extent whatsoever the availability of the defense of governmental immunity under the laws of the State of Texas and of the United States.

12. Subscriber's Right to Audit. SimplexGrinnell agrees that Subscriber or its duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after final payment under this Agreement, have access to and the right to examine and photocopy all invoices and service tickets of SimplexGrinnell which are directly pertinent to the services to be performed under this Agreement for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. SimplexGrinnell agrees that Subscriber shall have access during normal working hours to all necessary SimplexGrinnell facilities and shall be provided adequate and appropriate work space in order to conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this section. Subscriber shall give SimplexGrinnell reasonable advance notice of intended audits.

13. Non-Appropriation and Fiscal Funding. The obligations of the Subscriber under this Agreement do not constitute a general obligation or indebtedness of Subscriber to which Subscriber is obligated to levy, pledge, or collect any form of taxation. It is understood and agreed that Subscriber shall have the right to terminate this Agreement at the end of any Subscriber fiscal year if the governing body of Subscriber does not appropriate sufficient funds as determined by Subscriber's budget for the fiscal year in question. Subscriber may effect such termination by giving written notice of termination to SimplexGrinnell at the end of its then-current fiscal year to be effective as of the last day of Subscriber's fiscal year.

14. Sales and Use Tax Exemption. Subscriber is a body corporate and politic under the laws of the State of Texas and claims exemption from sales and use taxes under Texas Tax Code Ann. § 151.309, as amended, and the services and materials subject hereof are being secured for use by Subscriber. Exemption certificates will be provided to contractors and suppliers upon request.

15. Texas Public Information Act. To the extent, if any, that any provision in this Agreement is in conflict with Tex. Gov't Code 552.00 et seq. as amended (the "Public Information Act"), the same shall be of no force or effect. Furthermore, it is expressly understood and agreed that Subscriber, its officers and employees may request advice, decisions and opinions of the Attorney General of the State of Texas in regard to the application of the Public Information Act to any items or data furnished to Subscriber as to whether or not the same are available to the public. It is further understood that Subscriber's officers and employees shall have the right to rely on the advice, decisions and opinions of the Attorney General, and that Subscriber, its officers and employees shall have no liability or obligation to any party hereto for the disclosure to the public, or to any person or persons, of any items or data furnished to Subscriber by a party hereto, in reliance of any advice, decision or opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Texas.

16. Execution in Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which, when executed and delivered, shall be deemed to be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same document.

17. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

18. County Judge or Presiding Officer Authorized to Sign. The presiding officer of Subscriber's governing body who is authorized to execute the Agreement and this Addendum may execute the Agreement and this Addendum on behalf of Subscriber.

19. Assignment. Without prior written notice of Subscriber, SimplexGrinnell may not assign this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, SimplexGrinnell may assign to an affiliate without obtaining Subscriber's consent.

Williamson County
("Subscriber")

By: 

Title: County Judge

Date: 12-21-2017

SimplexGrinnell LP

By: 

Title: Market Director

Date: Dec 13, 2017

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Williamson County
("Subscriber")

By: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

SimplexGrinnell LP

By: W. Thompson

Title: Market Director

Date: Dec 13, 2017