SECTION 13 1107 - WATER FEATURE BACKFILLING

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 SUMMARY

A. This section includes the following:

- 1. Building perimeter and site structure backfilling to subgrade elevations.
- 2. Site filling and backfilling.
- 3. Fill under slabs-on-grade (Pool Shells).
- 4. Fill for over-excavation.
- 5. Consolidation and compaction as scheduled.

B. Related Sections:

- SECTION 13 1101 WATER FEATURE EARTHWORK
- 2. SECTION 13 1102 WATER FEATURE GEOSYNTHETICS FOR EARTHWORK
- SECTION 13 1103 WATER FEATURE GRADING AND EXCAVATION
- 4. SECTION 13 1104 WATER FEATURE DEWATERING
- 5. SECTION 13 1105 WATER FEATURE FOUNDATION DRAINAGE
- 6. SECTION 13 1106 WATER FEATURE TRENCHING
- SECTION 13 1108 WATER FEATURE EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL
- 8. SECTION 13 1204 WATER FEATURE CAST IN PLACE CONCRETE
- 9. SECTION 13 1205 WATER FEATURE SHOTCRETE
- 10. SECTION 13 1303 WATER FEATURE MEMBRANE LINER
- 11. SECTION 13 1401 WATER FEATURE PIPE AND FITTINGS

C. References:

- 1. Site specific Geotechnical Report Bore Hole Locations and Findings of Subsurface Materials
- 2. ASTM C136 STANDARD TEST METHOD FOR SIEVE ANALYSIS OF FINE AND COARSE AGGREGATES
- 3. ASTM D1556 STANDARD TEST METHOD FOR DENSITY AND UNIT WEIGHT OF SOIL IN PLACE BY THE SAND-CONE METHOD
- ASTM D1557 STANDARD TEST METHOD FOR LABORATORY COMPACTION CHARACTERISTICS OF SOIL USING MODIFIED EFFORT
- 5. ASTM D 2167 STANDARD TEST METHOD FOR DENSITY AND UNIT WEIGHT OF SOIL IN PLACE BY RUBBER BALLON METHOD
- 6. ASTM D2487 STANDARD PRACTICE FOR CLASSIFICATION OF SOILS FOR ENGINEERING PURPOSES
- 7. ASTM D3282 STANDARD PRACTICE FOR CLASSIFICATION OF SOILS AND SOIL-AGGREGATE MIXTURES FOR HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION PURPOSES
- 8. ASTM D4318 STANDARD TEST METHODS FOR LIQUID LIMIT, PLASTIC LIMIT, AND PLASTICITY INDEX OF SOILS
- 9. ASTM D6938 STANDARD TEST METHOD FOR DENSITY OF SOIL AND SOIL-AGGREGATE IN PLACE BY NUCLEAR METHODS (SHALLOW DEPTH)
- 10. Standard Specifications for local jurisdictions

1.2 UNIT PRICE – MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

- A. Schedule of values and applicable prices as per Project Specifications and referenced sections.
- B. Fill (All Types): By the cubic yard (meter). Includes excavating existing subsoil, supplying materials, stockpiling, scarifying substrate surfaces, placing where required, and compacting.
- C. Structural Fill (All Types): By the cubic yard (meter). Includes supplying fill materials, stockpiling, scarifying substrate surfaces, placing where required, and compacting.

D. Concrete Fill: By the cubic yard (meter). Includes supplying materials, forming, mixing and placing where required, and curing.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 FILL MATERIALS

- A. Fill Type (Subsoil Type S1 and S2, Topsoil Type S3, S4 and S5): As specified in SECTION 13 1101 WATER FEATURE EARTHWORK.
- B. Structural Fill: As specified in SECTION 13 1101 WATER FEATURE EARTHWORK.
- C. Concrete: Lean concrete conforming to SECTION 03 3000 STRUCTURAL CONCRETE Type C with a compressive strength of 2,500 psi (11.9 kPa).

2.2 ACCESSORIES

- A. Geotextile Fabric: As specified in SECTION 13 1102 WATER FEATURE GEOSYNTHETICS FOR EARTHWORK.
- B. Membrane Liner: As specified in SECTION 13 1303 WATER FEATURE MEMBRANE LINER.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Verify subdrainage, damp proofing, or waterproofing installation has been inspected and approved by the Owner or Owner's Representative.
- B. Verify underground tanks are anchored to their own foundations to avoid flotation after backfilling.
- C. Verify structural ability of unsupported walls to support imposed loads by the fill.
- D. Verify the installation of all site piping and utilities prior to backfilling.

3.2 PREPARATION

- A. Compact existing subgrade to density requirements before placement of subsequent backfill materials.
- B. Cut out soft areas of existing subgrade not capable of compaction in place. Backfill with Coarse Aggregate Type A fill and compact to density equal to or greater than requirements for subsequent fill materials.
- C. Scarify to a depth of 12-inches (300mm) existing and proof roll subgrade surface to identify soft spots, fill and compact to density equal to or greater than requirements for subsequent fill materials.
- D. Compaction to be completed with mechanical or heavy hand tampers.

3.3 BACKFILLING

- A. Backfilling areas to contours and/or elevations indicated with unclassified fill materials.
- B. Systematically backfill to allow maximum time for natural settlement. Do not backfill over porous, wet, frozen, or spongy subgrade surfaces.
- C. Granular Fill (Coarse Aggregate Type A): Place and compact materials in equal continuous layers not exceeding 8-inches (200mm) compacted depth.
- D. Unclassified Fill Type: Place and compact unclassified material in equal continuous layers not exceeding 8-inches (200mm) compacted depth.
- E. Employ a placement method that does not disturb or damage other Work.
- F. Maintain optimum moisture content of each layer of fill materials to attain required compaction density. Add water by uniform sprinkling.

- G. Do not use heavy equipment to backfill against unsupported foundation walls and retaining walls.
- H. Backfill simultaneously with hand equipment on each side of unsupported foundation walls until supports are in place.
- I. Slope grade away from building at a minimum of 2-inches (50mm) in 10-feet (3m), unless otherwise noted.
- J. Make gradual grade changes. Blend slope into level areas.
- K. Remove surplus backfill material from the site.
- L. Leave fill material stockpile areas free of excess fill material.
- M. Protect Geosynthetic fabric and membrane liners during backfilling. If fabric or liner is damaged, do not continue backfilling until damage is repaired and approved by the Owner.

3.4 TOLERANCES

- A. Top Surface of Backfilling Subgrade: plus, or minus 1/2-inch (12mm) of required elevations.
- B. Top Surface of General Backfilling: plus, or minus 1-inch (25mm) from required elevations.

3.5 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Comply with Project Specifications and referenced sections.
- B. Compaction testing shall be performed in accordance with ASTM D1556, ASTM D1557, ASTM D2167, and ASTM D6938.
- C. If testing indicates that the Work does not meet specified requirements, remove the Work, replace, compact, and retest.
- D. Frequency of Tests: one (1) test per each 7,500-square feet (670 sq. m) per vertical lift.
- E. Proof roll compacted fill surfaces under slabs-on-grade, pavers, paving, and structures.

3.6 PROTECTION OF FINISHED WORK

- A. Protect finished work as per the Project Specifications and referenced sections.
- B. Reshape and re-compact fills subjected to vehicular traffic during construction.

3.7 SCHEDULE

- A. Interior Slabs-on-Grade:
 - 1. Fill Type A; 12-inches (300mm) thick, compacted to 95-percent.
 - 2. Cover with Fill Type A; 2-inches (50mm) thick, compacted to 95-percent.
- B. Exterior Side of Foundation Walls, Retaining Walls, Over Granular Filter Material, and Foundation Perimeter Drainage:
 - 1. Fill Type A, as shown in the Contract Documents, each lift compacted to 95-percent.
- C. Fill Under Landscape Areas:
 - 1. Fill Type S3, S4, or S5 to 12-inches (300mm) below finish grade, compacted to 95-percent.
- D. Fill Under Grass Areas:
 - 1. Fill Type S2, S3, or S4 to 12-inches (300mm) below finish grade, compacted to 95-percent.
- E. Fill For Berming:
 - 1. Fill Type S2 to 12-inches (300mm) below finish grade, compacted to 95 percent.
- F. Fill Under Interlocking Paving:

- 1. Fill Type A to underside of sand leveling bed, compacted to 95-percent.
- G. Fill Asphalt or Concrete Paving:
 - 1. Compact Subsoil base to 95-percent of its maximum dry density.
 - 2. Fill Type A to 12-inches (300mm) below finish grade, compacted to 95-percent.
 - 3. Stabilize subgrade, if required, to minimum LBR of 40.
- H. Fill to Correct Over-Excavation:
 - 1. As specified in SECTION 31 0515 and 31 0516.
- I. Fill Under Landscape Areas:
 - 1. Fill Type S1 to 12-inches (300mm) below finish grade, compacted to 95-percent.

END OF SECTION