A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING SERVICE CONTRACTS FOR AS-NEEDED CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $350,000 PER VENDOR OVER A THREE YEAR PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 2009 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2012.

WHEREAS, the Richmond Public Works and Engineering Departments anticipate that several capital improvement projects funded by various capital improvement funds, bonds, and grants will require the use of Construction Materials Testing Services; and

WHEREAS, Richmond Public Works and Engineering Departments further anticipate that additional capital improvement projects not currently scheduled will arise during the period October 2009-2012 that will require the use of Construction Materials Testing Services; and

WHEREAS, the project-by-project selection process for Construction Materials Testing Services can take up to six months and involve significant per-project consulting costs; and

WHEREAS, the Richmond Public Works and Engineering Departments have demonstrated that the use of a pool of Construction Materials Testing firms that have passed a competitive bidding process on an as-needed basis eliminates much of the delay and costs associated with project-by-project bidding; and

WHEREAS, in June 2009 the City issued a Request for Proposals for As-Needed Construction Materials Testing Services through the City's BidsOnline system; and

WHEREAS, forty-four firms received the Request for Proposal, of which nine presented proposals; and

WHEREAS, the nine proposals the City received were reviewed by a panel consisting of Public Works Director Yader A. Bermudez, Capital Improvement Manager Edric Kwan, Port of Richmond Project Manager Craig Murray, and Development Services Project Manager Chadrick Smalley; and

WHEREAS, in evaluating proposals, the panel considered four criteria: (1) the relevant experience and strengths of each firm; (2) the organization of the firm, the availability of resources, and the firm's ability to meet project schedules; (3) the qualifications of the identified project manager and project team; and (4) the firm's ability to provide high quality customer service to the City and the community; and

WHEREAS, the panel accepted the proposals of three firms, finding that all have the technical expertise to perform the work required, and that each clearly demonstrated their understanding of the technical complexities and regulatory issues involved in implementing public capital improvement projects; and

WHEREAS, the three firms selected are:

- Applied Materials & Eng. Inc. (Oakland)
- Signet Testing Labs Inc. (Hayward)
- Ninyo & Moore (Oakland); and

WHEREAS, each Service Contract with an approved firm would be for an amount not-to-exceed $350,000 over the three year period October 2009 through September 2012; and

WHEREAS, firms hired for these as-needed Construction Materials Testing Services will provide construction materials testing, field investigations, and other construction materials testing related work as requested by the City; and
WHEREAS, firms on the list will be asked to submit proposals for particular projects; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Engineering Departments will manage the contracts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Richmond, California, hereby authorizes the Public Works and Engineering Departments to enter into service contracts for as-needed construction materials testing services, with the following firms for an amount not to exceed $350,000 per vendor over the three year period October 2009 through September 2012:

- Applied Materials & Eng. Inc. (Oakland)
- Signet Testing Labs Inc. (Hayward)
- Ninyo & Moore (Oakland)

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I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on October 6, 2009, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bates, Butt, Rogers, Ritterman, Viramontes, and Mayor McLaughlin.

NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

ABSENT: Vice Mayor Lopez.

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DIANE HOLMES
Clerk of the City of Richmond

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Approved:

GAYLE MCLAUGHLIN
Mayor

Approved as to form:

RANDY RIDDLE
City Attorney

State of California )
County of Contra Costa : ss.
City of Richmond )

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution No. 108-09, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on October 6, 2009.