



STORMFILTER OPERATION & MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

This Operation and Maintenance Agreement (“Agreement”) is established this ____ day of _____, 20____, by _____ (“Owner”), who is the owner of the Property (hereinafter defined), on behalf of the Owner, the Association (if applicable), and all successor Owners of the Property and the Town of Apex (“Town”).

The “Property” is that certain real property described as PIN # _____, commonly known as _____, it being the same land conveyed to Owner by deed recorded in Book _____ at page _____ in the Wake County Register of Deeds.

Owner represents, warrants, and agrees that Owner is financially responsible for the construction, maintenance, repair and replacement of all stormwater control structures, appurtenances and vegetation, including the impoundment, located on the Property. Owner agrees to perform the maintenance as outlined below and as may be applicable or required as part of the regulations set forth in Section 6.1.12 of the Town Unified Development Ordinance. A Homeowners Association or Property Owners Association shall not be the financially responsible party unless more than 50% of the lots or units on the Property have been sold and a resident of the Association has been named the president.

Owner agrees that the Town has the right to access the Stormwater Control Measures (hereinafter

“SCM”) on the Property, as deemed necessary in the Town’s sole discretion, by way of the ‘SCM Maintenance & Access easement’ as recorded on the final plat. Owner recognizes and agrees that Owner is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the SCM Maintenance & Access easement. Owner acknowledges that Town’s authorized access to the SCM(s) does not create any operation or maintenance responsibility or obligation on the part of the Town.

Owner shall keep a maintenance record for routine maintenance performed related to SCMs on the Property (“SCM Maintenance Record”). The SCM Maintenance Record shall be kept updated by the Owner and be submitted to the Town each year as part of the required annual inspection report package. Any deficiencies noted during routine maintenance shall be corrected, repaired or replaced immediately by Owner. These deficiencies can affect the safety of the public and the pollutant removal efficiency of the SCM.

NUMBER OF STORMFILTER CARTRIDGES: _____

SCMs being recorded with this agreement

Important maintenance procedures:

- A routine inspection should be done before the winter season.
- Maintenance (replacement of the filter cartridges and removal of accumulated sediments) should be performed during periods of dry weather.
- All other guidelines in the *Contech StormFilter Inspection & Maintenance Procedures* document should be followed.

After the StormFilter system is installed, Owner shall inspect it once a quarter. Owner shall keep records of inspection and maintenance.

Notices to Owner shall be sent to (please fill in all blanks):

Name

Phone number

Mailing address

E-mail

City, State, ZIP

Notices to Town shall be sent to:

Stormwater & Utility Engineering Manager

P.O. Box 250

Apex, NC 27502

(919) 249-3413

Maintenance shall be performed per the *Contech StormFilter Inspection & Maintenance Procedures* document and be performed by Certified Maintenance Providers.

Remedies for Violations of this Agreement

If the Owner shall fail to satisfactorily maintain or repair the SCM as set forth above, or otherwise violates this Agreement, the Town may order the Owner to undertake necessary actions to correct such violation. If the Owner fails to comply with such order within (30) days from the date thereof, the Town, in its sole discretion may enter the Property and perform all necessary work to place the SCM in proper working condition. The full cost of performing the work shall be a lien on the property as provided in G.S. 160A-193. In such event, the Town shall assess against Owner all of its related costs and expenses (including but not limited to employee time, materials and supplies, vehicle and equipment use, administrative expenses, plus all contract costs, if required for repairs, design or inspection) and the Owner hereby agrees to timely pay the same.

Where the Owner is the sole owner of the development, if this total amount is not paid in full within three (3) months of the assessment, then such amount shall be a continuing lien on the Property. Where there is more than one owner of record of the Property, and if the total amount is not paid in full to the Town within three (3) months of the assessment, then each owner of record shall become personally liable for such owner's proportionate share of the assessment. If the proportionate share of the assessment is not paid in full by each such owner within thirty (30) days following receipt of notice thereof from the Town, then such amount shall be a continuing lien on the property owned by each owner, such owner's heirs, devisees, personal representatives, successors and/or assigns.

The Town shall have the right to bring an action against the Owner and/or each individual owner to recover all sums due, including its expenses, damages and its reasonable attorney fees, seek injunctive and equitable relief, and/or such other and further relief as may be just and appropriate.

The remedies provided by this paragraph are cumulative and are in addition to any other remedies provided by law.