



### Agreement for Installation of Grinder Pump/Step Pressure Sewer System

This agreement made and entered into on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
by and between Tellico Area Services System, hereinafter called TASS and \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ hereinafter called "Customer."

1. The property where the sewage grinder/STEP pump is to be located:

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2. The grinder-pump or STEP sewer system, hereinafter called "system" consist of a grinder or STEP pump and basin assembly, a control cabinet, electrical connections between the control cabinet and the grinder pump, and piping between the grinder pump-basin assembly and the sewer force main/tap.

3. The customer will install a grinder or STEP pump-pressure sewer system manufactured by the Environment One Corporation, grinder pumps, or Orenco Systems, STEP systems, or other manufacturer as TASS deems appropriate. Cost of the grinder pump, basin assembly or STEP equipment and installation will be paid by Customer. The Customer will pay the cost of installing the system and the gravity sewer from the dwelling to the basin assembly. The Customer will pay the cost of electrical service and installation to the system. All installations will be done in accordance with current TASS specifications. The installations shall only be performed by a TASS approved contractor.

4. TASS will install and maintain a force main and pressure sewer connection with shutoff valve and check valve by service extension from force main to each Customer. Customer is required to provide a one and one quarter inch line from the system to the force main.

5. The Customer will provide the appropriate voltage and amperage wire in a weatherproof electrical disconnect on the outside wall within 5 feet of the present location where the sewer service line leaves the building to the septic tank/grinder tank.

6. After TASS has accepted the installed system as being in accordance with specifications, TASS will provide sewer service to the customer. The Customer will be responsible for maintaining all of the system up to the connection on the TASS sewer line.

7. The Customer will not, in any manner, willfully modify, tamper with, or destroy the system.

8. Any alterations or relocations of the system performed exclusively for the Customer's benefit shall be done only with the written approval of TASS and shall be done at the Customer's expense by a TASS approved contractor.

9. The Customer shall not erect any structure (permanent or temporary), establish plantings, or make any other modification within 6' (six feet) of the system which would prevent or restrict accessing, maintaining, repairing, or replacing the system.

10. The Customer will be responsible for the cost of materials, labor and equipment required to repair any component of the system damaged as a direct result of the Customer's negligence. See the Attached

Exhibit A "Prohibited Discharge Items" for materials prohibited for discharge through the low pressure sewer system. All maintenance or repairs shall be completed by a TASS approved contractor.

11. The Customer grants TASS the right to ingress and egress upon this property for the purpose of inspection and or maintenance of the system.

12. The Customer grants TASS the right to inspect the system as necessary.

13. During power outages the Customer understands sewer service is disrupted and water usage must be kept to a minimum. Any overflow of the basin assembly must be reported to TASS as soon as possible.

14. TASS has the right to disconnect the customer's water service if TASS is aware of certain circumstances that could potentially affect the water/sewer system or the public health:

- Failure to comply with TASS rules, regulations, or policies.
- Any threat to the utility's water or sewer system or to the public health due to conditions of the customers premises.
- Tampering with utility equipment or stealing service.
- Failure to properly operate, maintain, or replace the customer owned grinder pump.

15. Customer Requirements:

- Provide a 30-amp disconnect as per specifications.
- Coordinate and pay for electrical inspections.
- Provide electric service to operate the system from the home breaker panel to the system disconnect box.
- Use a TASS approved contractor for installation and maintenance of the system.
- Follow prohibited discharge item rules.

**ONLY (1) One dwelling/business per station will be permitted. Type and size of systems for use in business or commercial installations will be determined on a case-by-case basis. Customer must contact TASS prior to system design.**

This agreement is binding upon the agents, successors, and assigns of both parties.

WHEREFORE the parties have caused the agreement to be executed on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Customer

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Tellico Area Services System

## EXHIBIT A - Prohibited Discharge Items

**Generally speaking, if it is not toilet paper or has not passed through the body, it should not be flushed.**

There are several items which could cause problems if introduced into the system. The following materials are prohibited from being discharged into the public low pressure sewer system:

1. Grease
2. Sand or Grit
3. Panty hose or elastic bands
4. Any disposable sanitary items (including diapers)
5. Q-Tips
6. Prophylactics
7. Petroleum products – includes paint thinner, kerosene, gasoline, etc.
8. Paint
9. Explosive or flammable materials
10. Any chemicals other than household cleaners
11. Glass
12. Metal items, including razor blades
13. Cloth items, coffee filters, cigarette filters,
14. Plastic objects (toys, utensils, tampon applicators, etc.
15. Kitty litter
16. Sand, stones, rocks, or shells including aquarium sand/stone
17. Flushable Wipes

I acknowledge that I have been made aware of the items prohibited for discharge through the low-pressure sewer pump system. I understand that I will be financially responsible for any damage caused by my discharge of these or similar items into the Grinder/STEP pump basis assembly and for maintaining it.

**Customer Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_