

Utility Company Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_

Township Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_

Utility Work Order No. \_\_\_\_\_

Township Highway No. \_\_\_\_\_

Township \_\_\_\_\_

## TOWNSHIP HIGHWAY UTILITY CONSTRUCTION PERMIT

Approval of this Permit, as per attached sketch, is given with the understanding that the \_\_\_\_\_, its successors, grantees, and assigns agree to the following conditions.

**The rights of abutting and underlying property owners are protected by common law and Sections 9-113 and 9-127 of the Illinois Highway Code. The PETITIONER will address these rights prior to initiating activities on TOWNSHIP right-of-way. The TOWNSHIP will not be party to any negotiations between the utility and the abutting property owners.**

- No. 1 When the performance of the work called for in this permit will in any way interfere with or obstruct traffic on said highways, the Utility Company shall provide the necessary flagman as required by the Statutes when one-way traffic is involved and otherwise mark said work so as to protect the traveling public.
- No. 2 Said Utility Company, its successors, grantees, and assigns shall assume all risks and liabilities for all accidents and damages that may occur to persons or property on account of the work done hereunder.
- No. 3 Said Utility Company shall lay, construct, operate, and maintain said facility so as not to interfere with the natural drainage of the highway and so as not to interfere with the construction or maintenance of said highways.
- No. 4 Should construction and operation of the highways require any alterations or changes of said facility within the existing Right-of-Way for an improvement of a Township Road, the alterations or change of location shall be made by said Utility Company at its expense upon written request of the Township Highway Commissioner and/or LaSalle County Highway Department.
- No. 5 Said Utility Company agrees not to trim or cut trees located within the highway Right-of-Way limits without consent of the adjacent property owner and the Township Highway Commissioner.
- No. 6 Said Utility Company shall place all buried facilities a minimum of 36 inches below the bottom of existing adjacent ditches, when crossing an existing roadway and a minimum of 24 inches below the existing ground line when paralleling an existing highway and shall place the facility within 1 to 7 feet from the Right-of-Way line unless permission to do otherwise is granted in this permit.
- No. 7 Said Utility Company shall augur or bore all crossings of existing Bituminous or A-3 Surface roads. All roads to be bored or augured from ten (10) feet from the edge of pavement.
- No. 8 Said Utility Company shall backfill all excavations across gravel roadways in six (6) inch compacted lifts and the top twelve (12) inches shall be granular material or total granular compacted in six (6) inch lifts at the option of the Highway Commissioner.
- No. 9 Said Utility Company shall notify the respective Township in writing or contact the Township Road Commissioner forty-eight (48) hours in advance of starting work covered by this permit.
- No. 10 Said Utility Company shall notify the Township Highway Commissioner in writing of the completion of work within one (1) week after completing the work covered by this permit.
- No. 11 A representative of said Utility Company shall accompany the Township Highway Commissioner, its agents or representatives, on a field inspection of the completed work upon the request of the Township Highway Commissioner.
- No. 12 It is understood that this permit is issued insofar only as the Township Highway Commissioner has jurisdiction and does not presume to release the said Utility Company from fulfilling any existing statutes relating to the construction and operation of said facility.
- No. 13 It is further understood that the facilities covered by this permit shall be constructed within one (1) year after the date of approval unless extended by the Township Highway Commissioner in writing.
- No. 14 No work shall proceed on the Right-of-Way unless a copy of the valid construction permit is on the job site and an indemnifying bond in the amount of \$20,000.00 is filed with the LaSalle County Clerk. The Indemnifying Bond shall be in the names of all thirty-seven Townships of LaSalle County and each Utility Company will issue their respective Bond to cover permits on an annual basis. A copy of this Indemnifying Bond will also be forwarded to the LaSalle County Highway Department.
- No. 15 In the event that damage should occur to any portion of the roadway as a result of construction or otherwise, the Utility Company shall make repairs so that the road will be passable pending permanent repairs if said damage occurs from work performed by the Utility Company or caused by its facilities. If said damage is not repaired within seven (7) days the Township Road Commissioner may repair said damage at the expense of said Utility Company, and in the event said payment is not made as required, the Township may collect said payment fee from the indemnifying bond. No further permits will be issued to the permittee until payment is made.
- No. 16 Heavy "track" equipment shall use planking or other approved cushion when crossing any bituminous surfaced road.
- No. 17 A postage paid return envelope must accompany permit application.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Township Road Commissioner

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_