7. **Insurance Requirements:**

The Contractor and subcontractors shall purchase and maintain at its own expense the herein stipulated minimum insurance from a company or companies duly licensed by the State of Arizona and possessing a current A.M. Best, Inc. rating of B++6. In lieu of State of Arizona licensing, the stipulated insurance may be purchased from a company or companies, which are authorized to do business in the State of Arizona, provided that said insurance companies meet the approval of County. The form of any insurance policies and forms must be acceptable to the County.

All insurance required herein shall be maintained in full force and effect until all work or service required to be performed under the terms of the Contract is satisfactorily completed and formally accepted. Failure to do so may, at the sole discretion of the County, constitute a material breach of this Contract. The Contractor’s insurance shall be primary insurance as respects County, and any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County shall not contribute to it. Any failure to comply with the claim reporting provisions of the insurance policies or any breach of an insurance policy warranty shall not affect the County’s right to coverage afforded under the insurance policies.

The insurance policies may provide coverage that contains deductibles or self-insured retentions. Contactor shall be solely responsible for the deductible and/or self-insured retention and the County, at its option, may require the Contractor to secure payment of such deductibles or self-insured retentions by a surety bond or an irrevocable and unconditional letter of credit.
The County reserves the right to request and to receive, within 10 working days, certified copies of any or all of the herein required insurance policies and/or endorsements. County shall not be obligated, however, to review such policies and/or endorsements or to advise Contractor of any deficiencies in such policies and endorsements, and such receipt shall not relieve Contractor from, or be deemed a waiver of County’s right to insist on strict fulfillment of Contractor’s obligations under this Contract. The insurance policies required by this Contract, except Workers’ Compensation, and Errors and Omissions, shall name County, its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials and employees as Additional Insured.

The policies required hereunder, except Workers’ Compensation, and Errors and Omissions, shall contain a waiver of transfer of rights of recovery (subrogation) against County, its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials and employees for any claims arising out of Contractor’s work or service.

The insurance requirements herein are minimum requirements for this Contract and in no way limit the indemnity covenants contained in this Contract. Pinal County in no way warrants that the minimum limits contained herein are sufficient to protect the Contractor from liabilities that might arise out of the performance of the work under this contract by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors, and Contractor is free to purchase additional insurance.

A. MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMITS OF INSURANCE: Contractor shall provide coverage with limits of liability not less than those stated below.

1. Commercial General Liability:
   Commercial General Liability (CGL) Insurance and, if necessary, Commercial Umbrella insurance with a limit of not less than $1,000,000 for each occurrence and $3,000,000 General Aggregate Limit. The policy shall include coverage for bodily injury, broad form property damage, personal injury, products and completed operations and blanket contractual coverage, and shall not contain any provision which would serve to limit third party action over claims. There shall be no endorsement or modification of the CGL limiting the scope of coverage for liability arising from explosion, collapse, or underground property damage.

2. Automobile Liability
   Commercial/Business Automobile Liability insurance and, if necessary, Commercial Umbrella insurance with a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage of not less than $1,000,000 each occurrence with respect to any of the Contractor’s owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles assigned to or used in performance of the Contractor’s work or services under this Contract.

3. Worker’s Compensation and Employers’ Liability
   Workers’ Compensation
   Employers’ Liability
   Each Accident $1,000,000
   Disease – Each Employee $1,000,000
   Disease – Policy Limit $1,000,000
   a. Policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation against Pinal County and its officers, officials, agents, and employees for losses arising from work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor.

4. Professional Errors and Omissions or (when applicable) Medical Malpractice Liability:
   Coverage shall be for minimum amounts of $1,000,000 per claim and $2,000,000 annual aggregate.

B. CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE: Prior to commencing work or services under this Contract, Contractor shall upon request, furnish the County with certificates of insurance, or formal endorsements as required by the Contract in the form provided by the County, issued by Contractor’s insurer(s), as evidence that policies providing the required coverage, conditions and limits required by this Contract are in full force and effect. Such certificates shall identify this contract number and title. In the event any insurance policy(ies) required by this contract is (are) written on a “claims made” basis, coverage shall extend for two years past completion and acceptance of Contractor’s work or services and as evidenced by annual Certificates of Insurance. If a policy does expire during the life of the Contract, a renewal certificate must be sent to County fifteen (15) days prior to the expiration date. Insurance required herein shall not be permitted to expire, be cancelled, or materially changed without thirty (30) days prior written notice to the County.
C. BOND REQUIREMENT:

1.1 Concurrently with the award of the Contract, the Contractor shall furnish the Contracting Agency within 24 hours the following bonds, which shall become binding upon the award of the contract to the Contractor.

1.1.1 A Performance Bond equal to the full Contract amount conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Contract in accordance with plans, specifications and conditions thereof. Such bond shall be solely for the protection of the Contracting Agency awarding the Contract.

1.1.2 Each such bond shall include a provision allowing the prevailing party in a suit on such bond to recover as a part of his judgment such reasonable attorney's fees as may be fixed by a judge of the court.

1.1.3 Each bond shall be executed by a surety company or companies holding a certificate of authority to transact surety business in the State of Arizona issued by the Director of the Department of Insurance. The bonds shall not be executed by an individual surety or sureties. The bonds shall be made payable and acceptable to the Contracting Agency. The bonds shall be written or countersigned by an authorized representative of the surety who is either a resident of the State of Arizona or whose principal office is maintained in this state, as by law required, and the bonds shall have attached thereto a certified copy of the Power of Attorney of the signing official. In addition, said company or companies shall be rated “Best-A” or better as required by the Contracting Agency, as currently listed in the most recent Best Key Rating Guide, published by the A.M. Best Company.