# CLEARWATER GAS SYSTEM/CITY OF CLEARWATER DEVELOPER AGREEMENT FOR NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION SERVICE

This Agreement is entered into thisday of, 2017, between the City of Clearwater, Florida, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, d/b/a Clearwater Gas System, hereinafter called the "CGS" andLINDIAKOS PROPERTIES, INC_, a _FLORIDA corporation, hereinafter called the "DEVELOPER".
RECITALS
A. DEVELOPER is developing land for sale and plans to include, among other things, approximately <u>ninety-five</u> ( <u>95</u> ) townhomes (the "Project") to be known as <u>CYPRESS TRAILS</u> , located in Section <u>7</u> , Township <u>27S</u> , Range <u>16E</u> , Pinellas County, Florida, as more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein, and as will be recorded in the Official Records of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Pinellas County, Florida.
B. DEVELOPER, for itself and on behalf of the future owners of residences in the Project, desires to have natural gas service available within the Project.
C. CGS desires to install a natural gas distribution system within the Project, at its expense, upon completion of and final approval of CGS'S feasibility report and DEVELOPER has agreed to engage CGS to install such a system within the Project, pursuant to the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth. CGS understands that this Project will be built in multiple phases (singularly "Phase", or collectively "Phases"), each of which will be subject to CGS's feasibility requirements. In line with each Phase meeting CGS's feasibility requirements, CGS reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to proceed with each Phase as each Phase is approved as to feasibility.
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein, and for other good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, CGS and DEVELOPER hereby agree as follows.
1. <u>Recitals</u> . The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and are incorporated in and form a part of this Agreement.
2. <u>Gas Distribution System.</u>
2.1 <u>Installation of Gas Distribution System.</u> CGS agrees to design and install a natural gas distribution system within the Project, including all necessary distribution lines, meters and ancillary facilities (collectively, the "System") necessary to provide natural gas service up to the meter of each residence constructed during the term of this Agreement as a Gas Compliant Residence in conformity with Section 3. The design of the System shall be subject to DEVELOPER's review and approval prior to CGS's commencement of construction thereof, for purposes of integration of the System into the Project. CGS shall control design of the System for gas operations purposes. The System does not include any facilities past the meter and CGS

has no obligation to install or maintain such "behind the meter" facilities. DEVELOPER and CGS agree to reasonably cooperate with respect to the design and construction of the Project infrastructure, including without limitation, the System. Such cooperation shall include, without limitation, providing responses to requests for information required for development permits, plat approvals, and similar authorizations within fourteen (14) days of either parties' receipt of a request for any such information from the other party. The parties agree to use all commercially reasonable efforts to cause the System to be designed and constructed in coordination with the other Project infrastructure, so that (i) commencement of construction of the System can commence in concert with the commencement of construction of the other Project infrastructure; and (ii) each phase of System can be completed simultaneous with completion of the other infrastructure located within the same Phase of the Project.

2.2 <u>Preparation for Installation and Easements.</u> DEVELOPER represents that it owns and has legal title to the real property on which the Project will be constructed and has the authority to develop the Project and to enter into this Agreement. DEVELOPER shall provide or cause to be provided to CGS, and its employees, agents and subcontractors, adequate physical and legal access including recorded, assignable non-exclusive easements and/or rights of way to all reasonably necessary areas of the Project in substantially the form attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "B", and/or by recorded, platted easements, all as reasonably necessary for the installation, operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of the System. With respect to such easements, DEVELOPER shall secure the consent and joinder of all necessary parties.

DEVELOPER reserves the right to relocate any easement made available hereunder if necessary for the development of the Project, provided that construction of the portion of the System subject to any such relocated easement has not yet been commenced, and suitable easements and access for the System to all portions of the Project are maintained and provided. In the event that DEVELOPER desires to modify any easement relating to any portion of the System after installation, then DEVELOPER must obtain CGS'S advance written consent to any easement modification, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, and DEVELOPER shall reimburse CGS for design, materials, construction and other costs associated with any relocation of the System and shall provide reasonably acceptable substitute easements.

- 2.3 <u>Installation Schedule.</u> CGS agrees to cooperate with DEVELOPER with respect to the construction of the System and to use commercially reasonable efforts to minimize interference with DEVELOPER'S construction of the Project. If so requested, CGS shall furnish System plans, excepting any proprietary information, to DEVELOPER. DEVELOPER agrees to establish and reasonably manage a Project construction schedule that provides CGS with reasonably sufficient time and access to construct the System within the Project.
- 2.4 Ownership of Gas Distribution System. The components of the System located on the supply side of each gas meter (and including each such meter) shall remain the exclusive property of CGS at all times during and following the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement. CGS'S operation of the System is not governed by the terms of this Agreement; rather, CGS shall operate the System in accordance with the City of Clearwater's Code of Ordinances, City policy and the requirements of applicable regulations and law. In the

event the Project is not completed and/or the gas facilities and service are for any reason abandoned by DEVELOPER or its successors, and the System, or any part thereof, is no longer required to serve the Project, CGS may at its election remove readily removable, non-essential components of the System, purge and cap any components to be left in place, and restore any disrupted surface areas of the Project.

3. <u>Gas Appliance Requirements.</u> In recognition of the substantial investment made by CGS in constructing the System, DEVELOPER agrees that <u>seventy-five</u> percent (<u>75\_%</u>) of the townhomes in the Project will be built with an energy efficient gas water heater, gas range gas dryer and gas fireplace ("Gas Compliant Residences"). In consideration of DEVELOPER constructing the Gas Compliant Residences, DEVELOPER will be entitled to an Energy Conservation Allowance as defined and provided for in paragraph 4. DEVELOPER agrees that each "MODEL" residence in the Project will be a Gas Compliant Residence. Further, DEVELOPER agrees to make a reasonable effort to utilize natural gas and natural gas appliances and equipment in common areas of the Project such as community club houses, community fitness centers, community pools, street lamps, community laundries and central water heating systems. Additionally, DEVELOPER agrees to make a reasonable effort to require natural gas for any commercial portions of the Project where economically feasible and as applicable.

For purposes of this Agreement, a "Gas Compliant Residence" shall be defined as those homes constructed with an energy efficient, natural gas water heater, natural gas range, natural gas fireplace and natural gas clothes dryer.

- Energy Conservation Allowance. DEVELOPER may be entitled to Energy Conservation Allowance payments for each home constructed in the Project that meets the requirements of CGS'S Energy Conservation Program (the "Program"), as may be amended from time to time by the Clearwater City Council. A summary of the allowance payments presently allowed under the Program is attached hereto as Exhibit "C". In the event the Clearwater City Council rules or otherwise determines that the energy conservation allowance payments referenced above, or any portion thereof, may not be recovered by CGS through the Energy Conservation Adjustment, or that the entitlements under the Program shall be changed, then CGS'S obligation to thereafter make said allowance payments will be bound by such City Council directive and, as such, said allowance payments shall be adjusted to conform to such Council directive or terminate, as applicable, upon completion of construction of any homes then under construction in the Project (which homes shall remain eligible for allowance payments without such adjustment). During the term of this Agreement, CGS shall have the right to inspect any residence for which a claim for an allowance has been made, at reasonable times and upon notice to DEVELOPER and the applicable landowner. DEVELOPER shall be entitled to the Energy Conservation Allowance upon verification that the requirements of each Gas Compliant Residence have been met and a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued for that Residence.
- 5. <u>Insurance Requirements for City/CGS</u>: The City/CGS shall, at its own cost and expense, acquire and maintain during the term with the Developer, through self-insurance, insurance, and/or excess insurance, sufficient insurance to adequately protect the respective

interest of the parties. Purchased insurance coverage shall be obtained with a carrier having an AM Best Rating of A-VII or better.

Specifically the City/CGS must carry the following minimum types and amounts of insurance on an occurrence basis or in the case of coverage that cannot be obtained on an occurrence basis, then coverage can be obtained on a claims-made basis with a minimum three (3) year tail following the termination or expiration of this Agreement:

- a. **Commercial General Liability Insurance** coverage, including products/completed operations, in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 (one million dollars) per occurrence and \$2,000,000 (two million dollars) general aggregate.
- b. **Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance** coverage, including property damage liability and bodily injury liability, for any owned, non-owned, hired or borrowed automobile is required in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 (one million dollars) combined single limit.
- c. Unless waived by the State of Florida, statutory Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, and Employer's Liability Insurance in the minimum amount of \$100,000 (one hundred thousand dollars) each employee each accident, \$100,000 (one hundred thousand dollars) each employee by disease and \$500,000 (five hundred thousand dollars) aggregate by disease with benefits afforded under the laws of the State of Florida. Coverage should include Voluntary Compensation, Jones Act, and U.S. Longshoremen's and Harbor Worker's Act coverage where applicable. Coverage must be applicable to employees and volunteers, if any.

The above insurance limits may be achieved by a combination of primary and umbrella/excess liability policies.

#### **Other Insurance Provisions for City/CGS:**

a. Prior to the execution of this Agreement/Contract, and then annually upon the anniversary date(s) of the insurance policy's renewal date(s) for as long as this Agreement/Contract remains in effect, the City/CGS will furnish the Developer with a Letter of Self-Insurance (SIGNED by the Risk Manager), and/or Certificate of Insurance(s) (using appropriate ACORD certificate, SIGNED by the Issuer) evidencing all of the coverage set forth. Developer understands that Developer will not be named as an "Additional Insured" on any of City/CGS coverages. When requested in writing from the Developer, City/CGS will provide the Developer with certified copies of all applicable policies. The address where such certificates and certified policies shall be sent or delivered is as follows:


- b. City/CGS shall provide thirty (30) days written notice of any cancellation, non-renewal, termination, material change or reduction in coverage.
- c. City/CGS's insurance as outlined above shall be primary and non-contributory coverage for City/CGS's negligence.
- d. Developer agrees that nothing contained herein shall be construed as a waiver of any sovereign immunity from, or limitation of, liability the City/CGS may be entitled to under the doctrine of sovereign immunity, or §768.28, Florida Statutes. Furthermore, this provision is not intended to nor shall it be interpreted as limiting or in any way affecting any defenses the City/CGS may have under §768.28, Florida Statutes or as consent to be sued by third parties.

## Developer's failure to request evidence of this insurance shall not be construed by the City/CGS as a waiver of City/CGS's obligation to provide the insurance coverage specified.

6. <u>Insurance Requirements for Developer</u>: The Developer shall, at its own cost and expense, acquire and maintain (and cause any sub-developers, contractors, subcontractors, subcontractors, materialmen, representatives, or agents, to acquire and maintain) during the term with the City, sufficient insurance to adequately protect the respective interest of the parties. Coverage shall be obtained with a carrier having an AM Best Rating of A-VII or better. In addition, the City has the right to review the Developer's deductible or self-insured retention and to require that it be reduced or eliminated.

Specifically the Developer must carry the following minimum types and amounts of insurance on an occurrence basis or in the case of coverage that cannot be obtained on an occurrence basis, then coverage can be obtained on a claims-made basis with a minimum three (3) year tail following the termination or expiration of this Agreement:

- a. **Commercial General Liability Insurance** coverage, including products/completed operations, in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 (one million dollars) per occurrence and \$2,000,000 (two million dollars) general aggregate.
- Unless waived by the State of Florida, statutory Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, and Employer's Liability Insurance in the minimum amount of \$100,000 (one hundred thousand dollars) each employee each accident, \$100,000 (one hundred thousand dollars) each employee by disease and \$500,000 (five hundred thousand dollars) aggregate by disease with benefits afforded under the laws of the State of Florida. Coverage should include Voluntary Compensation, Jones Act, and U.S. Longshoremen's and Harbor Worker's Act coverage where applicable. Coverage must be applicable to employees and volunteers, if any.

The above insurance limits may be achieved by a combination of primary and umbrella/excess liability policies.

#### **Other Insurance Provisions for Developer:**

a. Prior to the execution of this Agreement/Contract, and then annually upon the anniversary date(s) of the insurance policy's renewal date(s) for as long as this Agreement/Contract remains in effect, the Developer will furnish the City with a Certificate of Insurance(s) (using appropriate ACORD certificate, SIGNED by the Issuer, and with applicable endorsements) evidencing all of the coverage set forth above and naming the City as an "Additional Insured" on the Commercial Liability Insurance policy. In addition when requested in writing from the City, Developer will provide the City with certified copies of all applicable policies. The address where such certificates and certified policies shall be sent or delivered is as follows:

City of Clearwater Clearwater Gas System P.O. Box 4748 Clearwater, FL 33758-4748

b. Developer shall provide thirty (30) days written notice of any cancellation, non-renewal, termination, material change or reduction in coverage.

- c. Developer's insurance as outlined above shall be primary and non-contributory coverage for Developer's negligence.
- d. Developer agrees that the City/CGS reserves the right to appoint legal counsel for any and all claims that may arise related to this Agreement/Contract or work performed under this Agreement/Contract.

The stipulated limits of coverage above shall not be construed by Developer, or any of the Developer's employees, sub-developers, contractors, subcontractors, sub-subcontractors, materialmen, representatives, or agents as a limitation of any potential liability to the City/CGS, and failure to request evidence of this insurance shall not be construed as a waiver of Developer's or any sub-developers', contractors', subcontractors', subsubcontractors', materialmen's, representatives', or agents' obligation to provide the insurance coverage specified.

- 7. Force Majeure. Neither CGS nor DEVELOPER shall be liable to the other for any failure to perform pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement to the extent such performance is prevented by an event of Force Majeure. The term "Force Majeure" shall mean causes not within the control of the party whose performance is affected, including without limitation, Acts of God, strikes, lockouts, acts of the public enemy, wars, insurrection, riots, epidemics, landslides, sinkholes, lightning, earthquakes, fires, storms, flood, washouts, explosions, breakage or non-foreseeable accidents to machinery or pipe lines, and which in each of the above cases, such party is unable to prevent or overcome by the exercise of due diligence utilizing commercially reasonable efforts, procedures and processes. The party whose performance is excused by an event of Force Majeure shall promptly notify the other party of such occurrence and its estimated duration, shall promptly remedy such event of Force Majeure, if and to the extent reasonably possible, and thereafter resume such performance as soon as possible.
- 8. <u>Notices.</u> Any and all notices sent pursuant to this Agreement shall be sent by either electronic mail, telecopy transmission (with receipt confirmation), U.S. mail, postage prepaid, return requested, or by receipted overnight national delivery service (e.g., Federal Express), and shall, if not sooner received, be deemed received three (3) business days after deposit in the United States Mail, or one business day after telecopy transmission or receipt by any national delivery service. All notices shall be addressed to each party at the address listed below unless and until such time as a party notifies the other in accordance with this Section of a change in address:

"CGS"	"DEVELOPER"
Clearwater Gas System	
Managing Director	
400 N. Myrtle Ave	,

- 9. <u>Duration.</u> The term of this Agreement (the "Term") shall commence upon the Effective Date and continue until the issuance of certificates of occupancy for the residences constructed upon all of the platted residential lots located within the Project. Notwithstanding any expiration or other termination of this Agreement, CGS shall remain obligated to make energy construction allowance payments, having properly accrued, to DEVELOPER as provided in Section 4 hereof.
- a substantial investment in installing the System as provided in this Agreement. In the event DEVELOPER fails to construct at least <u>seventy-five</u> <u>percent (\_75\_ %)</u> of the residences in each Phase of the Project as Gas Compliant Residences, CGS will suffer substantial damages that will be difficult to ascertain. DEVELOPER therefore agrees to pay to CGS liquidated damages as set forth below to partially compensate CGS for DEVELOPER'S failure to meet its obligation hereunder. Accordingly, if the DEVELOPER fails to complete the minimum percentage of the Gas Compliant Residences in each Phase of the Project as each Phase is developed during the Term of this Agreement, then, DEVELOPER shall pay to CGS liquidated damages in the amount of <u>Seven Hundred and Ten</u> Dollars (\$710.00) for each residence below the minimum <u>seventy-five</u> percent (\_75\_%) requirement. Payment of Liquidated Damages shall be due and payable upon the issuance of Certificates of Occupancy for all townhomes in any given Phase, or at such time as it can be determined that DEVELOPER will not meet the minimum requirement, whichever occurs earlier.
- 11. <u>Remedies and Limitations.</u> In the event of a breach of this Agreement, the non-breaching party shall, except to the extent expressly limited by the terms of this Agreement, have all rights and remedies available at law and at equity against the breaching party.
- 12. <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns. Any assignment of this Agreement by either party shall require the prior written consent of the other party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 13. <u>Miscellaneous.</u> This Agreement shall be subject to all applicable laws, rules, orders, permits, and regulations of any federal, state, or local governmental authority having jurisdiction over the parties, their facilities, or the transactions contemplated. This Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. In the event of litigation between the parties hereto arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, each party shall bear its own attorneys' fees and costs. This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding and agreement between the parties and supersedes any and all prior negotiations, understandings or agreements. Except as provided above, this Agreement shall be binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors and assigns. This Agreement may be amended, modified or extended only by a written instrument signed by both parties. No failure to exercise, delay in exercising, or single or partial exercise of any right, power or remedy by either party shall constitute a waiver of, or shall preclude any other or further exercise of, the same or any other right, power or remedy. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such a manner as to be effective and valid

under applicable law, but if any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any party hereto or circumstance is prohibited by or invalid under applicable law, that provision shall be effective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity, without invalidating the remainder of such provision or the remaining provisions of this Agreement or the application of the same. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and all the counterparts taken together shall be deemed to constitute one (1) and the same instrument. The captions, headings, titles, and subtitles herein are inserted for convenience of reference only and are to be ignored in any construction of the provisions of this Agreement. Any exhibit attached to this Agreement is incorporated by reference herein. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as a joint venture, partnership or any other similar relationship between CGS and DEVELOPER. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating any rights, benefits or interests in a person or group that is not a party to this Agreement.

[Signatures begin on following page]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this DEVELOPER Agreement (Natural Gas) to be signed by their respective duly authorized officers as of the date first above written.

Approved and accepted by:	Agreed to and accepted by:
CITY OF CLEARWATER, FLORIDA	acorporation
By: Charles S. Warrington, Jr. Gas System Managing Director	By: Name Printed:

### EXHIBIT A Legal Description of Project and Phase Descriptions

#### EXHIBIT B Easement

Return to:
Engineering Department
City of Clearwater
P. O. Box 4748
Clearwater, Fl. 33758-4748

PINELLAS COUNTY Parcel I. D. No.

### GAS MAIN & UTILITIES EASEMENT

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency of therefrom, acknowledged, and benefits be derived which hereby the to whose office address post is ("Grantor") does hereby grant and convey to the CITY OF CLEARWATER, FLORIDA, a Florida Municipal Corporation ("Grantee"), and its successors and assigns, a non-exclusive, limited purpose easement over, under and across the following described land lying and being situate in the County of Pasco, State of Florida, to wit:

### As more particularly described and depicted in EXHIBIT "A" appended hereto and by this reference made a part hereof ("Easement Premises")

This easement is for **gas main and appurtenant utilities ("Service Facilities")** installation and maintenance only. Grantee shall have the right to enter upon the Easement Premises to construct, install, maintain and reconstruct the Service Facilities located therein, and to inspect and alter same from time to time. Grantee shall be solely responsible for obtaining all governmental and regulatory permits required to exercise the rights granted herein.

Grantee covenants and agrees with Grantor that it shall maintain reasonable access to Grantor's facilities at all times during the exercise of rights granted herein for Grantor, and Grantor's guests and invitees, and that it shall promptly restore the Easement Premises and any affected areas surrounding the Easement Premises upon completion of any project undertaken in the exercise of these rights to at least the same quality of condition that existed as of the date Grantee first exercised any of its rights hereunder. Grantee further represents and warrants that it shall diligently pursue the completion of all work related to this project and complete all matter in a timely manner.

Grantor warrants and covenants with Grantee that it is the owner of fee simple title in and to the herein described Easement Premises, and that Grantor has full right and lawful authority to grant and convey this easement to Grantee, and that Grantee shall have the non-exclusive, limited purpose quiet and peaceful possession, use and enjoyment of this easement. It is expressly understood that Grantor reserves all rights of ownership of the Easement Premises not inconsistent with the easement rights granted herein.

In the event Grantor, its successors or assigns, should ever determine it necessary to relocate the Service Facilities constructed within the Easement Premises to facilitate further development or redevelopment of the property encumbered hereby; then Grantor, its successors or assigns, in consultation with and upon approval of Grantee (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), shall provide an alternate easement for Grantee's Service Facilities, and shall at Grantor's sole cost and expense reconstruct the Service Facilities within the alternate easement. Upon completion of the Service Facilities relocation Grantee shall cause this easement to be vacated and evidence of vacation duly recorded in the public records of Pasco County, Florida.

This easement is binding upon the Grantor, the Grantee, their heirs, successors and assigns. The rights granted herein shall be perpetual and irrevocable and shall run with the land, except by the written mutual agreement of both parties, or by abandonment of the Easement Premises by Grantee.

Signed, sealed and delivered In the presence of:		
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Print Witness Name		
WITNESS signature	By:	
Print Witness Name	Print name	
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COUNTY OF	: ss :	
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Type/Print Name

#### **EXHIBIT B1**

[Here insert descriptions of platted road rights of way]

## **EXHIBIT C Energy Conservation Allowance Plan**

CGS agrees to pay to DEVELOPER an energy conservation allowance payment for each residence constructed within the Project and that has qualified for payment based on following installation schedule ("Energy Conservation Allowance Payment"):

Energy Efficient Gas Tankless Hot Water Heater	\$ 525.00
Energy Efficient Gas Dryer	\$100.00
Second Drop for On-Main Secon Drop	\$525.00
Energy Efficient Pilotless Gas Range	\$ 150.00

The total maximum energy conservation amount payable on each

Home that conforms to the schedule above \$1300.00

DEVELOPER shall deliver a written request for payment of an Energy Conservation Allowance Payment to CGS within 90 days of issuance of a certificate of occupancy for each applicable qualified residence. DEVELOPER shall submit such written requests in the form and manner reasonably prescribed by CGS. Any request for an Energy Conservation Allowance Payment that is submitted after 90 days following the issuance of a certificate of occupancy for a particular residence may not be honored.