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Construction Management Agreements: Key Provisions, Common Areas of Dispute, and Minimizing Performance Risks

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CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS:

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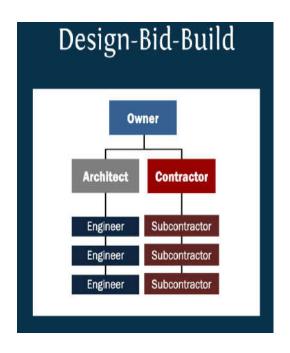
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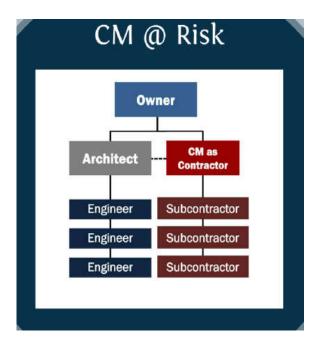
- Understanding the CM @ Risk Model
- Recognizing Key Issues
- IDENTIFYING AND MODIFYING KEY TERMS AND PROVISIONS
- EMPLOYING BEST PRACTICES FOR CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

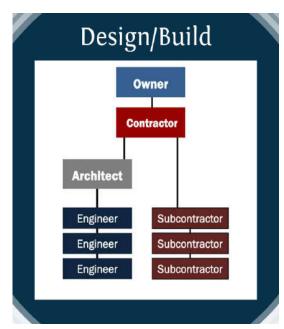
OVERVIEW

RISK SHIFTING MODELS

CM @ Risk Approach: contractor involved in design







FINANCIAL STRUCTURING

- Pricing approaches & budgeting models
- Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP)
 - Compensation options for general conditions/requirements
 - Construction contingency uses
 - Claw back provision for contingency fund

COMMON ISSUES

PRECONSTRUCTION PHASE: BUDGETING, SCHEDULING, CONSTRUCTABILITY & LOGISTICS

- Constructability reviews and waiver of related claims
- Preliminary evaluation of the Owner's program, schedule and construction budget requirements
- Subcontractor vetting and preliminary estimating
- Practical approaches to project development and procurement

COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT

- Establishment of GMP
 - Savings
 - Excluded Costs
 - Rental Charges
 - Non-conforming work due to negligence
- Payment, Withholding and Assessment of Liquidated Damages

CHANGES AND DELAY

- Fee holiday on changes
- Aggregate limit on subcontractor markups
- Change Order includes all relief related to the change
- Tiered Liquidated Damages considerations
- Liquidated Damages do not cutoff termination damages
- Anticipated weather days
- Time Impact Analysis required for time extension

DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND TERMINATION

- Notice of claims as condition precedent
- Alternative choice of law provisions
- Tiered dispute resolution
 - Expediency

INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

- Insurance provisions removed from AIA A201-2017
 - Standalone exhibit
 - More specifically covers BR and CGL
 - Contains fill boxes for limits
- Insurance
 - Retroactive date for PLI
 - Occurrence v. claims made
 - Minimum limits do not limit CM's liability to the owner
- Indemnity for 3rd party economic loss

KEY PROVISIONS

SCOPE OF WORK

- Clearly delineate expectations as to scope, comprehensiveness and coordination
- Representations as to ability, manpower and coordination
- Clarifications and exclusions
 - Order of Precedence

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER'S OBLIGATIONS

- Payment Deliverables
 - Pay Apps
 - Substantial Completion
 - Final Completion / Final Payment
- Liens
 - Discharge or removal
 - Waivers
 - Priority and state law

TIME FOR COMPLETION OF WORK

- Substantial Completion delay in obtaining Certificate of Occupancy
- Mutual waiver of consequential damages / liquidated damages
 Limitations
- Acceleration
- Excusable delay and force majeure

TIMING OF PAYMENTS

- Prompt pay laws
- o Practical benefits of prompt pay and early release of retainage

TERMINATION & REMEDIES ON DEFAULT

- Termination prior to v. after GMP Amendment
- Reprocurement costs and savings who pays whom
- Improper termination for default converts to termination for convenience
- No anticipated overhead and profit on unperformed work
- Management and control of subs on termination

ADMINISTRATION OF THE CONTRACT

INSURANCE AND BONDS

- Owner may inform surety of claims and problems
- Parent guarantees v. bonds
 - Private industry trending away from bonds

UNCOVERING AND CORRECTION OF WORK

- 1 year correction warranty/timely corrections
 - o 11 months walk through
- Important to distinguish from contractual warranties and warranties at law

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- LEED/green damages
- Inability to obtain warranty compliant materials
- Confidentiality
- Role of lender

THANK YOU

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QUESTIONS