

**COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMISSIONERS
UTILITY PERMIT**

Date: _____ Permit No. _____ County Road _____ Section No. _____

Permittee _____

Address _____ Telephone Number _____

Requesting permission from Columbia County, Florida, hereinafter called the County, to contract, operate and maintain _____

FROM: _____ TO: _____

Submitted for the Utility Owner by: _____
Typed Name & Title Signature Date

1. Permittee declares that prior to filing this application it has determined the location of all existing utilities, both aerial and underground and the accurate locations are shown on the plans attached hereto and made a part of this application. Proposed work is within corporate limits of Municipality: YES () NO (). If YES: LAKE CITY () FORT WHITE (). A letter of notification was mailed on _____ to the following utility owners _____

2. The Columbia County Public Works Director shall be notified twenty-four (24) hours prior to starting work and again immediately upon completion of work. The Public Works Director is _____, located at _____ Telephone Number _____. The PERMITTEE's employee responsible for Maintenance of Traffic is _____ Telephone Number _____ (This name may be provided at the time of the 24 hour notice to starting work.)

3. This PERMITTEE shall commence actual construction in good faith within _____ days after issuance of permit, and shall be completed within _____ days after permitted work has begun. If the beginning date is more than 60 days from date of permit approval, then PERMITTEE must review the permit with the Columbia County Public Works Director to make sure no changes have occurred in the transportation facility that would affect the permitted construction.

4. The construction and maintenance of such utility shall not interfere with the property and rights of a prior PERMITTEE.

5. It is expressly stipulated that this permit is a license for permissive use only and that the placing of utilities upon public property pursuant to this permit shall not operate to create or vest any property right in said holder.

6. Pursuant to Section 337-403(1), Florida Statutes, whenever necessary for the construction, repair, improvement, maintenance, safe and efficient operation, alteration or relocation of all, or any portion of said transportation facility as determined by the Columbia County Public Works Director and/or County Engineer, any or all utilities and appurtenances authorized hereunder, shall be immediately removed from said transportation facility or reset or

relocated thereon as required by the Columbia County Public Works Director and/or County Engineer and at the expense of the PERMITTEE.

7. In case of non-compliance with the County's requirements in effect as of the approval date of this permit, this permit void and the facility will have to be brought into compliance or removed from the right of way at no cost to the County.

8. It is understood and agreed that the rights and privileges herein set out are granted only to the extent of the County's right, title and interest in the land to be entered upon and used by the PERMITTEE, and the PERMITTEE will, at all times, and to the extent permitted by law, assume all risk of and indemnify, defend, and save harmless Columbia County, Florida from any and all loss, damage, cost or expense arising in any manner on account of the exercise or attempted exercise by said PERMITTEE of the aforesaid right and privileges.

9. During construction, all safety regulations of the County shall be observed and the PERMITTEE must take measures, including pacing and the display of safety devices that may be necessary in order to safely conduct the public through the project area in accordance with the Federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, as amended for highways.

10. Should the PERMITTEE be desirous of keeping its utilities in place and out of service, the PERMITTEE, by execution of this permit acknowledges its present and continuing ownership of its utilities located between _____ and _____ within the County's right of way as set forth above. PERMITTEE, as its sole expense, shall promptly remove said out of service utilities whenever Columbia County Public Works Director and/or County Engineer determines said removal is in the public interest.

11. Special instructions: Minimum cover of thirty inches (30") will be required at all locations. Columbia County will not be financially responsible for any damage to facilities with less than thirty inches (30") cover. Cables shall not be located within driveway ditches.

12. Additional Stipulations: _____

It is understood and agreed that commencement by the PERMITTEE is acknowledgment and acceptance of the binding nature of these specialist instructions.

Submitted By: _____
Permittee

Place Corporate Seal

Signature and Title

Attested

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Revised: 8/17/00

Recommended for Approval:

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Approval by Board of County Commissioners, Columbia County, Florida:

YES () NO ()

Date Approved: _____

Chairman's Signature: _____