STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG

ABANDONMENT OF EASEMENT

THIS DOCUMENT is executed this ______ day of _____________, 20____ by the City of Charlotte, a municipal corporation (hereinafter “City”) of the County of Mecklenburg and State of North Carolina.

WHEREAS, certain easements or rights of way (described in Exhibit A as “TO BE ABANDONED” and hereinafter referred to as the “Easement”) are no longer used by the City for any purpose, and are not required or convenient for any use or public purpose in the future and have no value to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to release and abandon the Easement; and

WHEREAS, upon the abandonment of the Easement, ____________________________, the owner of the real property which is subject to the Easement, has acknowledged on behalf of itself, its successors and assigns, its sole and complete responsibility for the condition of the Easement as it currently exists and may exist in the future and has further agreed to hold the City, its officers, and agents and employees harmless from any and all claims concerning the Easement, all as set forth in the Release and Agreement to Hold Harmless between the City of Charlotte and ____________________________ dated _____________________. 20____, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City has abandoned the Easement hereinafter described and the sanitary sewer facilities and/or water facilities and meters located therein. The Easement and facilities hereby abandoned are located on that certain strip or parcel of land in the County of Mecklenburg and State of North Carolina, more particularly described in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. No easement is abandoned except as specifically described in Exhibit A as “TO BE ABANDONED” and is located on real property of ____________________________ and recorded in Deed Book _____, Page _____ in the Mecklenburg County of Public Registry.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City has caused this instrument to be signed in its name and its seal to be affirmed hereto by duly authorized authority the date and year first above written.

ATTEST TO:          CITY OF CHARLOTTE

______City Clerk          By: ______City Manager

[CORPORATE SEAL]

NORTH CAROLINA
MECKLENBURG COUNTY

I, ____________________, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, certify that ____________________ personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged that he/she is ______ City Clerk of the City of Charlotte, a North Carolina municipal corporation, and that by authority duly given and as the act of the corporation, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name by its ______ City Manager, sealed with its corporate seal and attested by her as its ______ City Clerk. Witness my hand and official stamp or seal, this ____ day of ____________, ______.

My Commission Expires: ________________          ____________________

Notary Public

[Notarial Seal]
Exhibit A

Easement Map

See the attached.
The City of Charlotte, a duly incorporated municipality under the laws of the State of North Carolina (hereinafter “City”) and ________________________________ (hereinafter “Owner”) agree as follows:

1. The City is the Owner of that certain easement for right-of-way for construction, reconstruction, operation and maintenance of sanitary sewer facilities and/or water facilities and meters. Such easement is described in the attached Exhibit A, which is incorporated hereby by reference. The easement described in Exhibit A as ‘TO BE ABANDONED’ is hereafter referred to as the “Easement”.

2. Owner is the sole owner of certain real property, which is subject to the Easement (hereinafter referred to as the “Property”), as shown on Exhibit A.

3. The Easement is no longer required by the City.

4. Owner has requested that the City abandon the Easement and the facilities located therein. Owner understands and agrees that if the City exercises its discretion to abandon the Easement and the facilities located therein, Owner will assume full ownership of the Easement and said facilities (which Owner shall have the right to remove) on the Property and will also assume full and sole responsibility for the condition of the Easement and said facilities on the Property, as such condition exists currently or may exist in the future. Owner fully understands that the installation, operation and maintenance of utility facilities by the City in the past has rendered the Easement unsuitable for certain uses, without substantial changes thereto.

5. The City has made no representation concerning the manner in which the utility facilities were installed, operated or maintained in or adjacent to the Easement. Owner waives and releases any and all claims which it may now have or hereafter acquire against the City, its officers, agents and employees and further agrees to hold the City, its officers, agents and employees harmless from any and all claims arising in any manner from the installation, operation, or maintenance of the utility facilities in or adjacent to the Easement on the Property and arising in any manner from the City’s previous use of the facilities within the Easement. The agreement set forth herein to hold the City, its officers, agents and employees harmless shall be construed to include, but is not limited to, the payment of money judgments, costs to implement any action required of the City and all reasonable costs incurred in defending against any claim covered by this agreement, e.g. attorney fee, expert witness fees, filing fees, deposition costs, etc.

6. The parties have executed this Release and Agreement to Hold Harmless (hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement”) on behalf of themselves and their respective heirs,
successors and assigns.

7. It is the intent of the parties that this Agreement be executed under seal.

This the _________________ day of __________________, 20____.

ATTEST:                      CITY OF CHARLOTTE

____________________________    By: __________________________
City Clerk              City Manager

[CORPORATE SEAL]

ATTEST:                      By: __________________________
____________________________              Owner
Witness