**ELECTRONIC RECORDING**

**SUBMITTER AGREEMENT**

**THIS SUBMITTER AGREEMENT**, dated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is between the Office of the Register of Deeds of Pender County, North Carolina ("**COUNTY**"), and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ("**SUBMITTER**") with offices at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ The **SUBMITTER** will be transmitting their documents to the **COUNTY** through CSC ("**VENDOR**").

**COUNTY** desires to offer the ability to record real property documents by electronic means and to provide for the receiving and transmitting of those documents electronically as a substitute for conventional paper based documents. This includes the electronically based receipt of confirmation of recording.

The **COUNTY** also desires to assure that transactions are legally valid and enforceable as a result of the use of available electronic technologies, to the mutual benefit of the parties of the transactions.

Documents may be submitted in accordance to **COUNTY** guidelines and will only be processed on those days and hours that the **COUNTY** Recording Office is open to the public for business. Documents will not be processed on **COUNTY** holidays, weekends, etc., or in the event of network or equipment failure.

**SUBMITTER** acknowledges and agrees that all documents electronically submitted to the **COUNTY** for recording shall only become part of the public record and considered properly recorded after the **COUNTY** accepts, records, and indexes each document in the public record pursuant to N.C.G.S. 161-22.

There will be no added fees or costs of any kind charged by the **COUNTY** for Electronic Recording although **SUBMITTER** will be responsible for the payment of normal recordation fees using a method authorized by the **COUNTY**. **SUBMITTER** is responsible for the costs of any services provided by a third party (**VENDOR**) that enables **SUBMITTER** to file their documents electronically.

**SUBMITTER** and the **COUNTY** recognize the need to ensure that only original documents bearing signatures that are properly notarized are submitted for electronic recording. The **SUBMITTER** is responsible for complying with the originality requirements. The **COUNTY** will rely on the **SUBMITTER** representation of compliance with the requirements by having the **SUBMITTER** include the following statement on the first page of any document:

*Submitted electronically by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in compliance with North Carolina statutes governing recordable documents and the terms of the Submitter Agreement with the [County Name] County Register of Deeds.*

**SUBMITTER** acknowledges that documents submitted and received electronically shall be considered the "original" record of the transaction in substitution for paper documents. The electronic version of the recorded document and electronic recording data, including endorsement and receipt, will be returned or otherwise made available to the **SUBMITTER** after recordation has been completed by the **COUNTY**. Documents that are rejected will be returned to the **SUBMITTER** in electronic format along with a description of the reason(s) for rejection.

**SUBMITTER** shall provide a contact through which detected problems or issues can be reported and addressed.

Neither the **COUNTY** nor **SUBMITTER** shall be liable to the other for any special or consequential damages arising from, or as a result of, any delay, omission or error in the transmission or receipt of electronic documents.

The **SUBMITTER** agrees that, unless otherwise specified herein, the provisions of North Carolina's Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (UETA) 66 Article 40, the Uniform Real Property Electronic Recording Act (URPERA) and the electronic recording standards as adopted by the North Carolina Secretary of State shall apply to the electronic transactions covered by this Agreement.

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| **(SUBMITTER)** | |  |
| **By:** | | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | **(Authorized Signature)** | |
| **Name:** | [Submitter Representative Name] | | |  |
| **Title:** | [Submitter Representative Title] | | |  |
| **Date:** | [Date Agreement Signed] | | |  |
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| **Administrative Contact Name:** | [Submitter Administrative Contact Name] | | |  |
| **Phone Number:** | [Submitter Contact Phone Number] | | |  |
| **E-mail Address:** | [Submitter Contact E-mail Address] | | |  |

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| **(COUNTY)** |  |
| **Administrative Contact Name:** | Honorable Sharon Lear Willoughby |
| **Mailing Address:** | 300 East Fremont Street  Burgaw, NC 28425 |
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