

PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY:

Empire Today, LLC.

Contractor's Name

333 Northwest Ave.

Street

North lake

City

IL.

State

P.O. Box

60164

Zip Code



**CITY OF AURORA
KANE COUNTY
STATE OF ILLINOIS**

PROPOSAL AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR

DSC 2nd Floor Bridge – Flooring

Located at
**77 S. Broadway
AURORA, ILLINOIS**

June 2019

Bid Number 19-43

PREPARED BY
CITY OF AURORA
Engineering Division
44 EAST DOWNER PLACE
AURORA, ILLINOIS 60507

SCHEDULE OF PRICES

DSC 2nd Floor Bridge - Flooring

Base Bid for RFB 19-43:

Please provide a unit and total costs for each of the following line items:

EMPIRE TODAY, LLC.

Item	Qty	Units	Unit Cost	Cost
Vinyl Wall Base	1000	LF	1496 LF @ \$2.20/LF	\$3278.00
Broadloom Carpet	2700	SF	390.66 SF @ \$35.03/SF	\$13,684.82
Vinyl Composite Tile	900	SF	1280 SF @ \$2.40/SF	\$3072.00
Penetration Cut/Grind	1	Lump Sum	\$2670.66	\$2670.66

TRANSITIONS-CARPET TO VCT 61 LF \$7.00 \$427.00
\$23,132.48

Engineers Allowance				\$ 1,000.00
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Total Cost	\$24,132.48
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TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF AURORA
44 EAST DOWNER PLACE
AURORA, ILLINOIS 60507

1. Proposal of EMPIRE TODAY, LLC.
for the improvement known as the Bid Number 19-43, DSC 2nd Floor Bridge - Flooring, located at 77 S. Broadway, Aurora, IL.
2. The specifications for the proposed improvements are those prepared by the City of Aurora Engineering Division and approved by the City Council of Aurora, Illinois.
3. In submitting this proposal, the undersigned declares that the only persons or parties interested in the proposal as principals are those named herein, and that the proposal is made without collusion with any person, firm, or corporation.
4. The undersigned further declares that he has carefully examined the proposals, specifications, form of contract and contract bond, and special provisions, if any, and that he has inspected in detail the site of the proposed work and that he has familiarized himself with all of the local conditions affecting the contract and detailed requirements of construction, and understands that in making this proposal he waives all right to plead any misunderstanding regarding the same.
5. The undersigned further understands and agrees that if the proposal is accepted, he is to furnish and provide all necessary machinery, tools, apparatus and other means of construction and to do all of the work and to furnish all of the materials and labor required.
6. The undersigned declares that he understands that the quantities mentioned are approximate only, and that they are subject to increase or decrease; that he will take in full payment therefore the amount of the summation of the actual quantities, as finally determined, and multiplied by the unit prices shown in the schedule of prices contained herein.
7. The undersigned agrees that the unit prices submitted herewith are for the purpose of obtaining a gross sum and for use in computing the value of extras and deductions; that if there is a discrepancy between the gross sum bid and that resulting from the summation of the quantities multiplied by their respective unit prices, the latter shall apply.
8. The undersigned agrees that if the City decides to alter the improvement by extras or deductions, including the elimination of any one or more of the items, as provided in the specifications, he will perform the work as altered, increased or decreased, at the contract unit prices without claim for profits lost as a result of any work or items eliminated by the City of Aurora.
9. The undersigned agrees that the Engineer may, at any time during the progress of the work covered by this contract, order other work or materials incidental thereto, and that all such work and materials as do not appear in the proposal or contract as a specific item accompanied by a unit price, and which are not included under the bid price for other items in this contract, shall be performed as extra work, and that he will accept as full compensation therefore the actual cost plus ten percent (10%), the actual cost to be determined as provided for in the specifications.
10. The undersigned further agrees to execute a contract which shall bind the undersigned, without limitation, to all terms and conditions, specifications, requirements, and the statement of work contained in this notice and in those statutes, regulations, ordinances or other policies incorporated by reference herein.

The undersigned further agrees to execute a contract bond satisfactory to and in the form prescribed by the City in the penal sum of the full amount of the contract, guaranteeing the faithful performance of the work in accordance with the terms of the contract within fifteen (15) days after receiving the notice of award of the contract.

11. The undersigned further agrees to begin work not later than ten (10) calendar days after the execution or by the date stated within the contract documents and approval of the contract and contract bond, unless otherwise provided, and to prosecute the work in such a manner and with sufficient materials, equipment, and labor as will ensure its completion within the time limit specified herein, it being understood and agreed that the completion within the time limit is an essential part of the contract.
12. The undersigned agrees to complete the work within the time stipulated in the Special Provisions.
13. All work shall be completed to the satisfaction of the Engineer by the above dates unless the Engineer in accordance with the specifications grants additional time. In case of failure to complete the work within the time named herein, or within such extra time as may have been allowed by extensions, the undersigned agrees that the City shall withhold from such sums as may be due him under the terms of the contract the liquidated damages as set forth in the Standard Specifications, which costs shall be considered and treated not as a penalty, but as damages due the Municipality from the undersigned by reason of inconvenience to the public, added cost of engineering and supervision, and other items which have caused an expenditure of public funds resulting from the failure of the undersigned to complete the work within the time specified in the contract.
14. If this proposal is accepted and the undersigned shall fail to execute a contract and contract bond as required herein, it is hereby agreed that the amount of the check or draft or bidder's bond substituted in lieu thereof shall become the property of the City and shall be considered not as a penalty but as payment of liquidated damages due to delay and other causes suffered by the City because of the failure to execute said contract and contract bond, otherwise said check or draft or bidder's bond substituted in lieu thereof shall be returned to the undersigned.
15. Accompanying this proposal is either a 5% Bid Bond or a proposal guaranty check, complying with the specifications, made payable to the City Treasurer of the City of Aurora. The amount of the check is \$ N/A - BID BOND ATTACHED
16. The undersigned submits herewith his schedule of prices covering the work to be performed under this contract, he understands that he must show in the schedule the unit prices for which he proposes to perform each item of work, that the extensions must be made by him, and that if not so done, his proposal may be rejected as irregular or non-responsive.
17. The undersigned agrees to conform to Section 100 of the Standard Specifications and to Article 107.27 of that section indemnifying and saving harmless the City of Aurora and its officers, agents, and employees. The Contractor shall provide insurance with limits as stated in the Article 6.7 of the *City of Aurora - General Specifications*.
18. The City of Aurora reserves the right to reject any or all of the bids and to waive any and all irregularities and technicalities. The City of Aurora shall either award the project or reject the bids within Sixty (60) calendar days after the bid opening. This time frame may be extended upon mutual agreement of the City and the Bidder.
19. The undersigned of this proposal agrees that he or she has examined all sections of this Proposal, Specifications, and Bidding Documents and hereby understands and accepts the provisions for access, or the lack of access, to the construction site and shall claim no compensation other than the prices as bid for this condition of accessibility.

20. The undersigned further agrees that the unit prices submitted herewith are for the complete item constructed, including all labor, equipment, material and other necessary incidental work.
21. The undersigned agrees to indemnifying and saving harmless the City of Aurora, its officers, agents, employees, and servants by filing with the City, prior to the execution of the contract, copies of completed Certificates of Insurance satisfactory to the City, with the City of Aurora named as co-insured; automobile liability insurance covering owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles with limits of liability as stated in the City of Aurora - General Specifications Article 6.7.
22. No bid shall be considered unless the party offering it shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the City of Aurora that he has been previously engaged in the quality construction of improvements of the same character as the one herein specified, and that he has the necessary facilities, equipment, experience, and ability and pecuniary resources to fulfill the conditions of the contract
23. No contract will be awarded to any bidder where that bidder or any principal or supervisory personnel of the bidder has been personally involved with another business that has been delinquent or unfaithful in any former contract with the City or where that bidder or any supervisory personnel of the bidder has been personally involved with another business that is a defaulter as surety or otherwise upon obligation to the City.
24. The Illinois Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) has been amended and effective January 1, 2010, adds a new provision to Section 7 of the Act which applies to public records in the possession of a party with whom the City of Aurora has contracted. The City of Aurora will have only a very short period of time from receipt of a FOIA request to comply with the request, and there is a significant amount of work required to process a request including collating and reviewing the information. The undersigned acknowledges the requirements of FOIA and agrees to comply with all requests made by the City of Aurora for public records (as that term is defined by Section 2(c) of FOIA) in the undersigned's possession and to provide the requested public records to the City of Aurora within two (2) business days of the request being made by the City of Aurora. The undersigned agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Aurora from all claims, costs, penalty, losses and injuries (including but not limited to, attorney's fees, other professional fees, court costs and/or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to its failure to provide the public records to the City of Aurora under this agreement.
25. The undersigned submits herewith this Schedule of Prices covering the work to be performed under this contract:



(If an individual)

Signatures

Signature of Bidder _____

Business Address _____

(If a partnership)

Firm Name _____

Signed by _____

Business Address _____

Insert
Names and
Addresses of
All Partners

(If a corporation)

Corporate Name Empire Today, LLC.

Signed By Chris Granger

President

Business Address 333 Northwest Ave.

Northlake IL. 60164

President, commercial - Chris Granger

CEO
~~Secretary~~ Keith Weinberger

CFO
~~Treasurer~~ Thomas Knapp

Attest: _____

Secretary

BIDDER'S CERTIFICATION

I/We hereby certify that:

- A. A complete set of bid papers, as intended, has been received, and that I/We will abide by the contents and/or information received and/or contained herein.
- B. I/We have not entered into any collusion or other unethical practices with any person, firm, or employee of the City which would in any way be construed as unethical business practice.
- C. I/We have adopted a written sexual harassment policy which is in accordance with the requirements of Federal, State and local laws, regulations and policies and further certify that I/We are also in compliance with all other equal employment requirements contained in Public Act 87-1257 (effective July 1, 1993) 775 ILCS 5/2-105 (A).
- D. I/We are in compliance with the most current "Prevailing Rate" of wages for laborers, mechanics and other workers as required by the City of Aurora Ordinance No. O18-054 (file 18-0493): An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Illinois, Ascertaining the Prevailing Wage Rate of Wages for Laborers, Mechanics, and other Workers Employed in Public Works Projects.
- E. I/We operate a drug free environment and drugs are not allowed in the workplace or satellite locations as well as City of Aurora sites in accordance with the Drug Free Workplace Act of January, 1992.
- F. The Bidder is not barred from bidding on the Project, or entering into this contract as a result of a violation of either Section 33E-3 or 33E-4 of the Illinois Criminal Code, or any similar offense of "bid rigging" or "bid rotating" of any state or the United States.
- G. I/We will submit with our bid, for all contracts in excess of \$25,000.00, a certificate indicating participation in apprenticeship and training programs approved and registered with the United States Department of Labor.

☐ Contractor shall check the box indicating that a copy of applicable program certification is attached.

- H. I/We will abide by all other Federal, State and local codes, rules, regulations, ordinances and statutes.

COMPANY NAME Empire Today, LLC

ADDRESS 333 Northwest Ave.

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE Northlake IL. 60164

NAME OF CORPORATE/COMPANY OFFICIAL Chris Granger
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

TITLE President, Commercial

AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL SIGNATURE *Chris Granger*

DATE 6-14-19

TELEPHONE (847) 583-3000

FAX No. (817) 588-2896

Subscribed and Sworn to

Before me this 14th day

of June, 2019

Michelle Stevens
Notary Public



Apprenticeship or Training Program Certification

Return with Bid

All contractors are required to complete the following certification:

- ☐ For this contract proposal or for all groups in this deliver and install proposal.
- ☐ For the following deliver and install groups in this material proposal:

The City of Aurora policy, adopted in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Highway Code, requires this contract to be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. In addition to all other responsibility factors, this contract or deliver and install proposal requires all bidders and all bidders' subcontractors to disclose participation in apprenticeship or training programs that are approved by and registered with the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, and applicable to the work of the above indicated proposals or groups. Therefore, all bidders are required to complete the following certification:

- I. Except as provided in paragraph IV below, the undersigned bidder certifies that it is a participant, either as an individual or as part of a group program, in an approved apprenticeship or training program applicable to each type of work or craft that the bidder will perform with its own employees.
- II. The undersigned bidder further certifies for work to be performed by subcontract that each of its subcontractors submitted for approval is, at the time of such bid, participating in an approved, applicable apprenticeship or training program applicable to the work of the subcontract.
- III. The undersigned bidder, by inclusion in the list in the space below, certifies the official name of each program sponsor holding the Certificate of Registration for all of the types of work or crafts in which the bidder is a participant and that will be performed with the bidder's employees. Types of work or craft that will be subcontracted shall be included and listed as subcontract work. The list shall also indicate any type of work or craft job category for which there is no applicable apprenticeship or training program available.

Installation of floor coverings.

- VI. Except for any work identified above, any bidder or subcontractor that shall perform all or part of the work of the contract or deliver and install proposal solely by individual owners, partners or members and not by employees to whom the payment of prevailing rates of wages would be required, check the following box, and identify the owner/operator workforce and positions of ownership. ☐

INSTALLATION OF ALL FLOOR COVERINGS (LABOR) TO BE PERFORMED

By:

BEST BUY CARPET AND GRANITE, 585 S. RTE 59, AURORA, IL 60504

OWNER: HERIBERTO (HERB) MARTINEZ

The requirements of this certification and disclosure are a material part of the contract, and the contractor shall require this certification provision to be included in all approved subcontracts. The bidder is responsible for making a complete report and shall make certain that each type of work or craft job category that will be utilized on the project is accounted for and listed. The City of Aurora requires a copy of each applicable Certificate of Registration issued by the United States Department of Labor evidencing such participation by the contractor and any or all of its subcontractors be included with the bid in order to qualify to bid on the project.

Bidder: Empire Today, LLC.

By:

Cyris Gable

(Signature)

Address: 333 Northwest Ave.

Title:

President, Commercial

North lake IL 60164

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
County of Kane)

BIDDER'S TAX CERTIFICATION

(BIDDER'S EXECUTING OFFICER), being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states that all statements made herein are made on behalf of the Bidder, that this despondent is authorized to make them and that the statements contained herein are true and correct.

Bidder deposes, states and certifies that Bidder is not barred from contracting with any unit of local government in the State of Illinois as result of a delinquency in payment of any tax administered by the Illinois Department of Revenue unless Bidder is contesting, in accordance with the procedures established by the appropriate statute, its liability for the tax or the amount of the tax, all as provided for in accordance with 65 ILCS 5/11-42.1-1.

DATED this 18th day of June, 2019.

By 
(Signature of Bidder's Executing Officer)


Chris Granger
(Print name of Bidder's Executing Officer)

President, Commercial
(Title)

ATTEST/WITNESS:

By Chris Granger
Title President, Commercial

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
18th day of June, 2019.


Notary Public

(SEAL)




DSC 2nd Floor Bridge - Flooring
Bid Number 19-43

REFERENCES

(Please Type)

Organization See ATTACHED

Address 


City, State, Zip

Phone Number

Contact Person

Date of Project

Organization

Address 


City, State, Zip

Phone Number

Contact Person

Date of Project

Organization

Address 

City, State, Zip

Phone Number

Contact Person

Date of Project

Bidder's Name Empire Today, LLC.

Signature & Date Chris Gaudin 06/14/19

Job References

Project Name: Univar USA
Project Location: San Jose, CA
Owner: James Rogers, District Manager
Phone: 408-386-4817, 408-895-3167
Email: James.Rogers@univar.com
Contract Amount: \$86,213.25
Completion Date: 7/5/2016

Project Name: - The W Hotel
Project Location: Washington DC
Owner: - Corporate – contact Rick Wilkerson
Phone: 202-661-2451, 202-661-2441
Email: 03279.apinbox@whotels.com
Contract Amount: \$30,265
Completion Date: installed 3/13/17

Project Name: - Provision Living at St. Louis Hills
Project Location: St. Louis, MO 63109
Owner: - Executive Director – Contact Angela Miller
Phone: P) 314-647-6600 F) 314-647-5586
Email: amiller@provisionliving.com
Contract Amount: Various
Completion Date: Various



City of Aurora, IL - Local Vendor Preference Application

The business identified below is requesting to be placed on the City of Aurora, Illinois Local Vendor Preference list, in accordance with ordinance O18-070, approved August 28, 2018.

- 1) Date Submitted: 6/18/19
- 2) Name of Business: Empire Today, LLC.
- 3) Address of Local Office: 333 North West Ave.
- 4) City, State, Zip: North lake IL 60164
- 5) Company's Web Address: www.empiretoday.com
- 6) Phone: 847-583-3000 Fax: 877-588-2896
- 7) County your Local Business is Located In: Cook

Submitted By (Signature): Chris Granger

Print Name and Title: Chris Granger President, Commercial

Email Address: commercialbusiness@empiretoday.com

Sec. 2-410.-Prequalification; local bidder.

- (a) If an interested business would like to prequalify as a "local business", such a business shall complete and submit the prequalification application along with supporting documentation, as listed below, and the applicable fee as set by the City Council, to the Finance Department:
- a. Evidence that the business has established and maintained a physical presence in the City of Aurora, by virtue of the ownership or lease of all or a portion of a building for a period of not less than twelve (12) consecutive months prior to the submission of the prequalification application; and
 - b. Evidence demonstrating that the business is legally authorized to conduct business within the State of Illinois and the City of Aurora, and has a business registered to operate in the City if required; and
 - c. Evidence that the business is not a debtor to the City of Aurora. For purposes of this subparagraph, a debtor is defined as having outstanding fees, water bills, sales tax or restaurant/bar tax payments that are thirty (30) days or more past due, or has outstanding weed or nuisance abatements or liens, has failure to comply tickets or parking tickets that are not in dispute as to their validity and are not being challenged in court or other administrative processes.

Back up documentation for (a) a. and (a) b. must accompany this submittal or application will be rejected.

Please note for (a) c. above the City of Aurora will verify internally that your company does not have any outstanding fees. Your company should make sure that to the best of its knowledge all bills are current.

Return completed application, with all required backup documentation to:

City of Aurora, Attn: Purchasing Division, 44 E. Downer Place, Aurora, IL 60507

Or email to: PurchasingDL@Aurora-il.org

Do not write below this line: For City of Aurora use ONLY

- (a) a.
- (a) b.
- (a) c.

Date: _____

Approved: _____

Letter Sent: _____

Denied: _____

Initials: _____



Local Agency Proposal Bid Bond

RETURN WITH BID

Route	Various
County	Kane
Local Agency	City of Aurora
Section	

PAPER BID BOND

WE Empire Today, LLC. as PRINCIPAL,
and North American Specialty Insurance Co. (NAS Surety) as SURETY,

WHEREAS THE CONDITION OF THE FOREGOING OBLIGATION IS SUCH that, the said PRINCIPAL is submitting a written proposal to the LA acting through its awarding authority for the construction of the work designated as the above section.

IN THE EVENT the LA determines the PRINCIPAL has failed to enter into a formal contract in compliance with any requirements set forth in the preceding paragraph, then the LA acting through its awarding authority shall immediately be entitled to recover the full penal sum set out above, together with all court costs, all attorney fees, and any other expense of recovery.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the said PRINCIPAL and the said SURETY have caused this instrument to be signed by their respective officers this 18th day of JUNE, 2019

Principal
Empire Today, LLC.

By: Citipri Kumbhar (Signature and Title) PRESIDENT, WAMCENCO (Signature and Title)

(If PRINCIPLE is a joint venture of two or more contractors, the company names, and authorized signatures of each contractor must be affixed.)

Surety

By: _____
(Name of Surety) (Signature of Attorney-in-Fact)

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

COUNTY OF _____

I, _____, a Notary Public in and for said county,
do hereby certify that

(Insert names of individuals signing on behalf of PRINCIPAL & SURETY)

who are each personally known to me to be the same persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument on behalf of PRINCIPAL and SURETY, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged respectively, that they signed and delivered said instruments as their free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this _____ day of _____

My commission expires _____ (Notary Public)

ELECTRONIC BID BOND

☒ **Electronic bid bond is allowed (box must be checked by LA if electronic bid bond is allowed)**

The Principal may submit an electronic bid bond, in lieu of completing the above section of the Proposal Bid Bond Form. By providing an electronic bid bond ID code and signing below, the Principal is ensuring the identified electronic bid bond has been executed and the Principal and Surety are firmly bound unto the LA under the conditions of the bid bond as shown above. (If PRINCIPAL is a joint venture of two or more contractors, an electronic bid bond ID code, company/Bidder name title and date must be affixed for each contractor in the venture.)

[illegible]

Electronic Bid Bond ID Code

(Company/Bidder Name)

(Signature and Title)

Date _____



AIA Document A310™ – 2010

Bid Bond

CONTRACTOR:

(Name, legal status and address)

EMPIRE TODAY, LLC.
333 Northwest Ave
Northlake, IL 60164

SURETY:

(Name, legal status and principal place of business)

NORTH AMERICAN SPECIALTY INSURANCE
COMPANY
650 Elm St
Manchester, NH 03101

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.

Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

OWNER:

(Name, legal status and address)

CITY OF AURORA
City Clerk
44 E. Downer Place, Aurora, IL 60507

BOND AMOUNT: Five percent of amount bid.
(5% of Amount Bid)

PROJECT:

(Name, location or address, and Project number, if any)

Bid Number 18-43 DSC 2nd Floor Bridge - Flooring at 77 S. Broadway, Aurora, IL
Installation of a combination of broadloom carpet (offices) and vinyl composite tile
(corridors and kitchen) upon the concrete slab floor.

Project Number, if any:

The Contractor and Surety are bound to the Owner in the amount set forth above, for the payment of which the Contractor and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, as provided herein. The conditions of this Bond are such that if the Owner accepts the bid of the Contractor within the time specified in the bid documents, or within such time period as may be agreed to by the Owner and Contractor, and the Contractor either (1) enters into a contract with the Owner in accordance with the terms of such bid, and gives such bond or bonds as may be specified in the bidding or Contract Documents, with a surety admitted in the jurisdiction of the Project and otherwise acceptable to the Owner, for the faithful performance of such Contract and for the prompt payment of labor and material furnished in the prosecution thereof; or (2) pays to the Owner the difference, not to exceed the amount of this Bond, between the amount specified in said bid and such larger amount for which the Owner may in good faith contract with another party to perform the work covered by said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect. The Surety hereby waives any notice of an agreement between the Owner and Contractor to extend the time in which the Owner may accept the bid. Waiver of notice by the Surety shall not apply to any extension exceeding sixty (60) days in the aggregate beyond the time for acceptance of bids specified in the bid documents, and the Owner and Contractor shall obtain the Surety's consent for an extension beyond sixty (60) days.

If this Bond is issued in connection with a subcontractor's bid to a Contractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location of the Project, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

Signed and sealed this 18th day of June, 2019

		EMPIRE TODAY, LLC.	
		(Principal)	(Seal)
(Witness)		(Title)	
		NORTH AMERICAN SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY	
		(Surety)	(Seal)
(Witness)	Aerie Walton	(Title)	Bartomiej Siepierski, Attorney in Fact

SWISS RE CORPORATE SOLUTIONS

NORTH AMERICAN SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY
WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY
WESTPORT INSURANCE CORPORATION

GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT North American Specialty Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under laws of the State of New Hampshire, and having its principal office in the City of Overland Park, Kansas and Washington International Insurance Company a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Hampshire and having its principal office in the City of Overland Park, Kansas, and Westport Insurance Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Missouri, and having its principal office in the City of Overland Park, Kansas each does hereby make, constitute and appoint:

MARCIA K. CESAFSKY, SUSAN A. WELSH, SANDRA M. WINSTED, DEREK J. ELSTON, CHRISTOPHER P. TROHA, ANN M. MULLINS, CHRISTINA L. SANDOVAL, SANDRA M. NOWAK

JUDITH A. LUCKY-EFTIMOV, JEANNETTE M. DAVIS, SALENA WOOD, JENNIFER WILLIAMS, ERIC D. SAUER, BRYAN J. HUFT, AERIE WALTON and BARTLOMEJ SIEPIERSKI JOINTLY OR SEVERALLY

Its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver, for and on its behalf and as its act and deed, bonds or other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond on behalf of each of said Companies, as surety, on contracts of suretyship as are or may be required or permitted by law, regulation, contract or otherwise, provided that no bond or undertaking or contract or suretyship executed under this authority shall exceed the amount of:

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE MILLION (\$125,000,000.00) DOLLARS

This Power of Attorney is granted and is signed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of North American Specialty Insurance Company and Washington International Insurance Company at meetings duly called and held on March 24, 2000 and Westport Insurance Corporation by written consent of its Executive Committee dated July 18, 2011.

"RESOLVED, that any two of the President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary be, and each or any of them hereby is authorized to execute a Power of Attorney qualifying the attorney named in the given Power of Attorney to execute on behalf of the Company bonds, undertakings and all contracts of surety, and that each or any of them hereby is authorized to attest to the execution of any such Power of Attorney and to attach therein the seal of the Company; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signature of such officers and the seal of the Company may be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto by facsimile, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seal shall be binding upon the Company when so affixed and in the future with regard to any bond, undertaking or contract of surety to which it is attached."



By [Signature]
Steven P. Anderson, Senior Vice President of Washington International Insurance Company
& Senior Vice President of North American Specialty Insurance Company
& Senior Vice President of Westport Insurance Corporation

By [Signature]
Mike A. Ito, Senior Vice President of Washington International Insurance Company
& Senior Vice President of North American Specialty Insurance Company
& Senior Vice President of Westport Insurance Corporation



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, North American Specialty Insurance Company, Washington International Insurance Company and Westport Insurance Corporation have caused their official seals to be hereunto affixed, and these presents to be signed by their authorized officers this 7th day of JUNE, 20 18.

North American Specialty Insurance Company
Washington International Insurance Company
Westport Insurance Corporation

State of Illinois
County of Cook ss:

On this 7th day of JUNE, 20 18, before me, a Notary Public personally appeared Steven P. Anderson, Senior Vice President of

Washington International Insurance Company and Senior Vice President of North American Specialty Insurance Company and Senior Vice President of Westport Insurance Corporation and Michael A. Ito Senior Vice President of Washington International Insurance Company and Senior Vice President

of North American Specialty Insurance Company and Senior Vice President of Westport Insurance Corporation, personally known to me, who being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that they signed the above Power of Attorney as officers of and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of their respective companies.



[Signature]
M. Kenny, Notary Public

I, Jeffrey Goldberg, the duly elected Vice President and Assistant Secretary of North American Specialty Insurance Company, Washington International Insurance Company and Westport Insurance Corporation do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Power of Attorney given by said North American Specialty Insurance Company, Washington International Insurance Company and Westport Insurance Corporation which is still in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed the seals of the Companies this 18th day of June, 20 19.

[Signature]
Jeffrey Goldberg, Vice President & Assistant Secretary of Washington International Insurance Company &
North American Specialty Insurance Company & Vice President & Assistant Secretary of Westport Insurance Corporation

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY SURETY

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF COOK

On this 18th day of June, 2019, before me, Rachel Fore, a Notary Public, within and for said County and State, personally appeared Bartlomiej Siepierski to me personally known to be the Attorney-in-Fact of and for North American Specialty Insurance Company and acknowledged that s/he executed the said instrument as the free act and deed of said Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at my office in the aforesaid County, the day and year in this certificate first above written.



Notary Public in the State of Illinois
County of Cook

