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Western Surety Company

LICENSE AND PERMIT BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

BOND No. 68599516

That we, J.N. Ford & Associates, Inc.

of the City of Arlington Heights, State of Illinois, as Principal, and WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation duly licensed to do business in the State of

Indiana, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the

Town of Merrillville, State of Indiana, Oblige, in the penal

sum of Five Thousand and 00/100 DOLLARS (\$5,000.00),

lawful money of the United States, to be paid to the said Oblige, for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves and our legal representatives, jointly and severally by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That whereas, the said Principal has been licensed Building Contractor

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NOW THEREFORE, if the said Principal shall faithfully perform the duties and in all things comply with the laws and ordinances, including all amendments thereto, pertaining to the license or permit applied for, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect until December 31st, 1997, unless renewed by Continuation Certificate.

This bond may be terminated at any time by the Surety upon sending notice in writing, by certified mail, to the clerk of the Political Subdivision with whom this bond is filed and to the Principal, addressed to them at the Political Subdivision named herein, and at the expiration of thirty-five (35) days from the mailing of said notice, this bond shall ipso facto terminate and the Surety shall thereupon be relieved from any liability for any act or omission of the Principal subsequent to said date.

Dated this 15th day of April, 1997.



Thomas Lee

Principal

Principal

Countersigned

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

By

Resident Agent

By

Stephen T. Pate

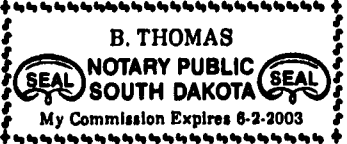
Stephen T. Pate, President

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURETY (Corporate Officer)

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA } ss
County of Minnehaha

On this 15th day of April, 1997, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared Stephen T. Pate, who acknowledged himself to be the aforesaid officer of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation, and that he as such officer, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained, by signing the name of the corporation by himself as such officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal.



B. Thomas
Notary Public - South Dakota

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL
(Individual or Partners)

STATE OF _____

County of _____ } s

On this 16th day of April, _____, before me personally appeared _____

known to me to be the individual _____ described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he _____ executed the same.

My commission expires _____

SHIRLONDA L DOWD
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF INDIANA
LAKE COUNTY
MY COMMISSION EXP. MAY 5, 2000

Shironda L. Dowd
Notary Public

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(Corporate Officer)

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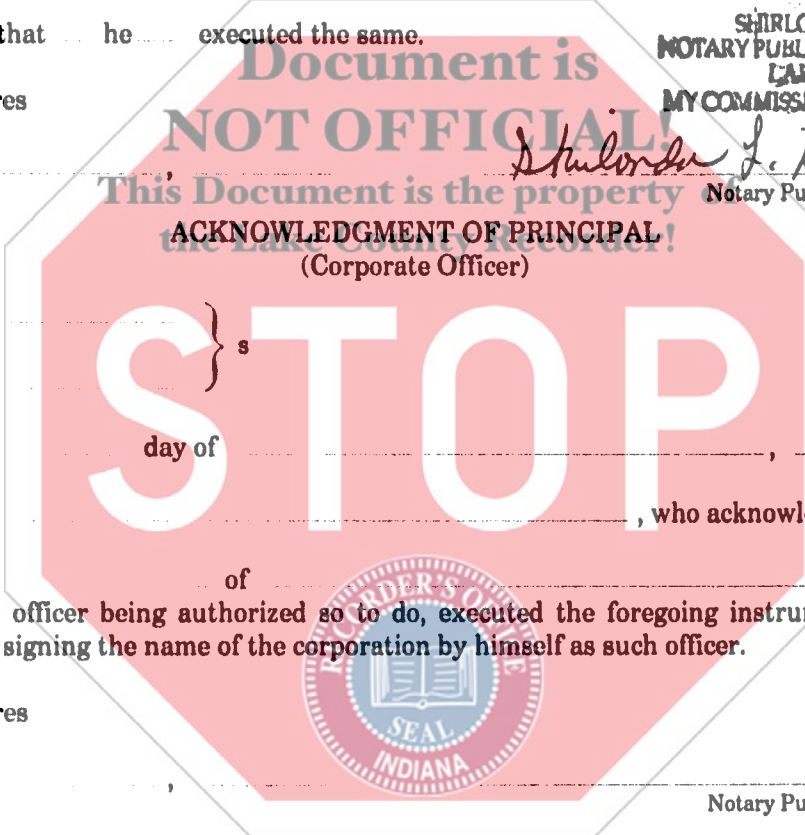
On this _____ day of _____, _____, before me

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My commission expires _____

Notary Public



Western Surety Company

License or Permit No. _____

LICENSE AND PERMIT
BOND
As

of _____

State of _____

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

Filed _____

Approved this _____

day of _____