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To be attached to and form a part of

**MORRIS W. CARTER  
RECORDER**

Bond No. 01EX954380 (30)

Type of Bond: GENERAL CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOND

dated effective 1/3/99  
(MONTH-DAY-YEAR)

executed by RON SMITH CORPORATION  
(PRINCIPAL)

, as Principal,

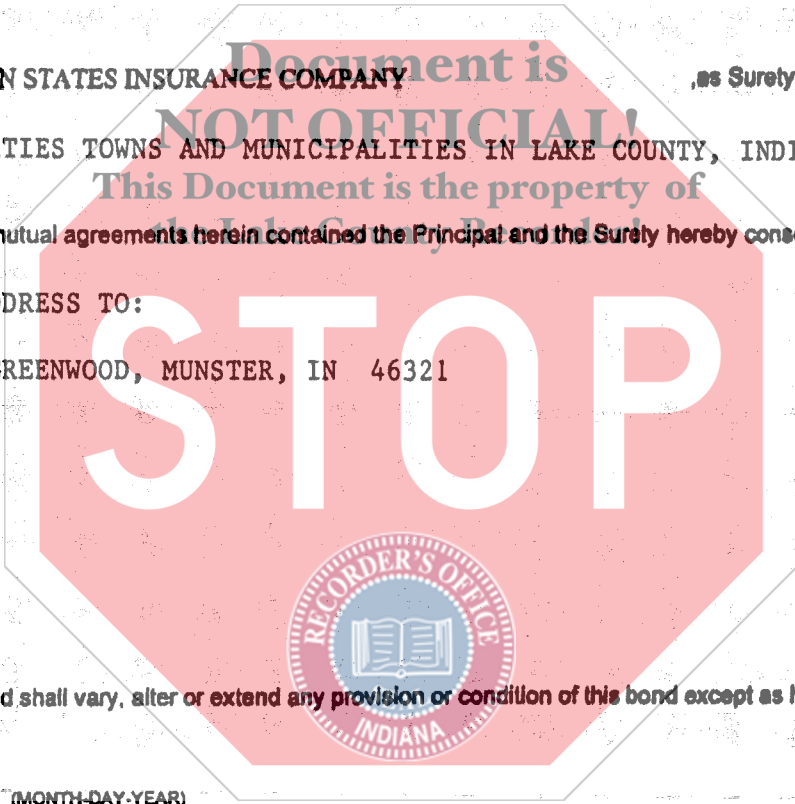
and by AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY, as Surety,

in favor of ALL CITIES TOWNS AND MUNICIPALITIES IN LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA  
(OBLIGEE)

In consideration of the mutual agreements herein contained the Principal and the Surety hereby consent to changing

THE ADDRESS TO:

9215 GREENWOOD, MUNSTER, IN 46321



Nothing herein contained shall vary, alter or extend any provision or condition of this bond except as herein expressly stated.

This rider is effective 1/3/99  
(MONTH-DAY-YEAR)

Signed and Sealed 4/6/99  
(MONTH-DAY-YEAR)

(PRINCIPAL)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PRINCIPAL)

**AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY**  
(SURETY)

By: *Just L. Lippas*  
(ATTORNEY-IN-FACT)

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*Bond # 99029598*

No. 10283

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:

That AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY, an Indiana corporation, does hereby appoint \*\*\*\*\*LAWRENCE D. MEYERS; BEVERLY A. MESSER; JANET L. PAPPAS; MARY JO NALEZNY; Hammond, Indiana\*\*\*\*\*

its true and lawful attorney(s)-in-fact, with full authority to execute on behalf of the company fidelity and surety bonds or undertakings and other documents of a similar character issued by the company in the course of its business, and to bind AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY thereby as fully as if such instruments had been duly executed by its regularly elected officers at its home office, in amounts and penalties not exceeding the sum of:

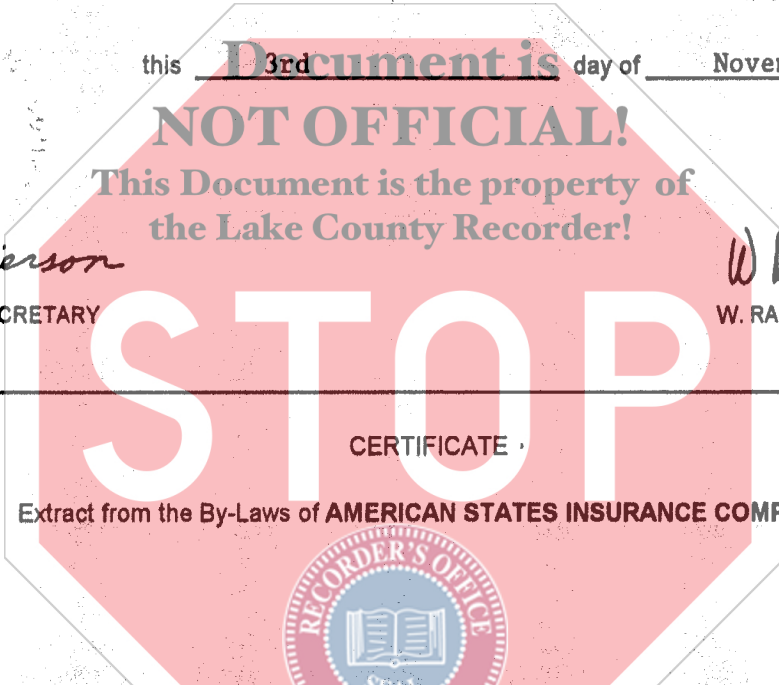
FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS\*\*\*\*\* DOLLARS (\$ 500,000.00)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY has executed and attested these presents

this 3rd day of November, 19 98

R.A. Pierson  
R.A. PIERSON, SECRETARY

W. Randall Stoddard  
W. RANDALL STODDARD, PRESIDENT



CERTIFICATE

Extract from the By-Laws of AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY



"Article 8, Section 8.1 1. - FIDELITY AND SURETY BONDS ... the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, and any Assistant Vice President appointed for that purpose by the officer in charge of surety operations, shall each have authority to appoint individuals as attorney-in-fact or under other appropriate titles with authority to execute on behalf of the corporation fidelity and surety bonds and other documents of similar character issued by the corporation in the course of its business.... On any instrument making or evidencing such appointment, the signatures may be affixed by facsimile. On any instrument conferring such authority or on any bond or undertaking of the corporation, the seal, or a facsimile thereof, may be impressed or affixed or in any other manner reproduced; provided, however, that the seal shall not be necessary to the validity of any such instrument or undertaking."

I, R. A. Pierson, Secretary of AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY, do hereby certify that the foregoing extracts of the By-Laws of this corporation, and of a Power of Attorney issued pursuant thereto, are true and correct, and that both the By-Laws and the Power of Attorney are still in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the facsimile seal of said corporation

this 6 day of APRIL, 19 98

R.A. Pierson  
R.A. PIERSON SECRETARY