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# Peerless Insurance Company

City of Gary, Indiana  
Gary, Indiana

2000 004132

## CONTINUATION CERTIFICATE

Date: January 19, 2000

RE: Bond No. 18-952476  
Principal: Thatcher Engineering Corp., Inc.

The Peerless Insurance Company (hereinafter called the surety) hereby continues in force its Bond No. 18-952476 in the sum of Five Thousand and No/100 (\$5,000.00) dollars, on behalf of Thatcher Engineering Corp., Inc. in favor of City of Gary, Indiana of Gary, Indiana for the extended term beginning on the 19th day of January, 2000, and ending on the 19th day of January, 2001, subject to all the covenants and conditions of said bond.

This continuation is executed upon the express condition that the Company's liability shall not be cumulative and shall be limited at all times by the amount of the penalty stated in the bond.

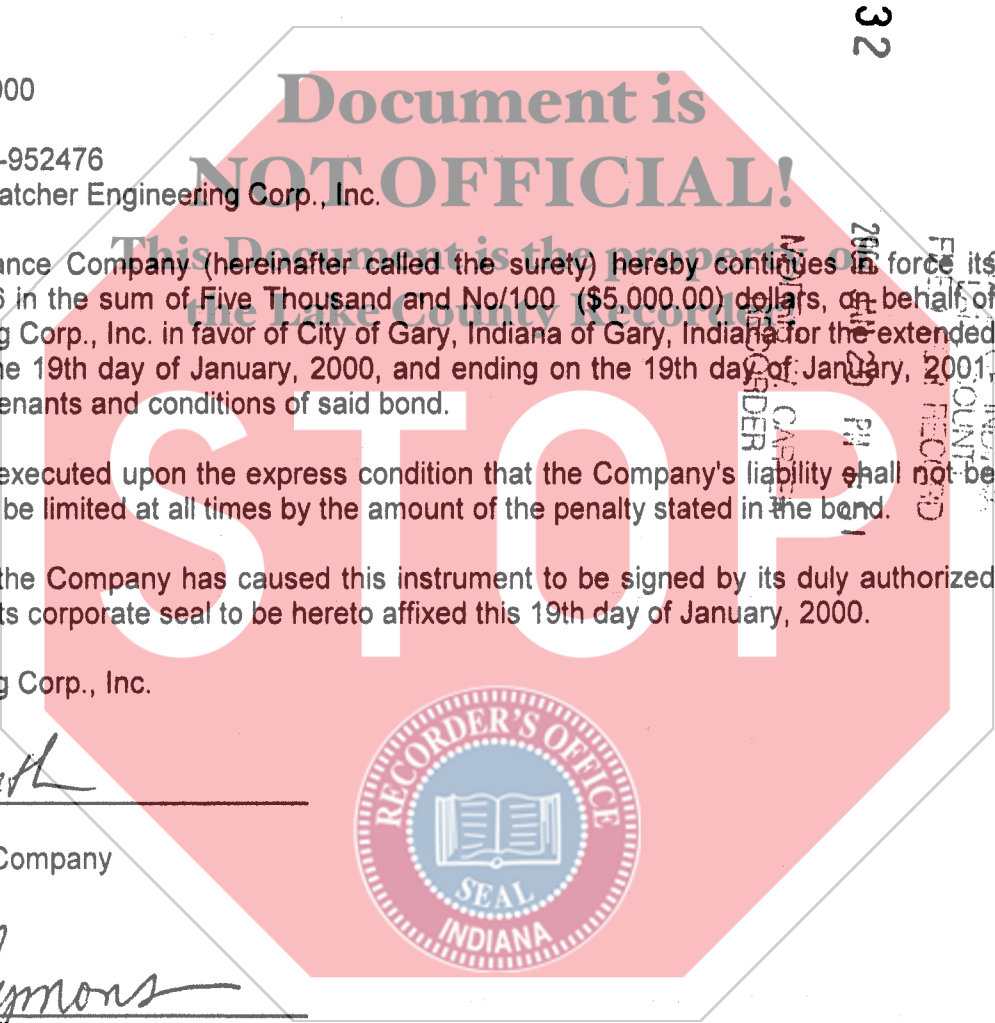
In witness whereof, the Company has caused this instrument to be signed by its duly authorized attorney-in-fact and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed this 19th day of January, 2000.

Thatcher Engineering Corp., Inc.

BY: *Ben Miketh*

Peerless Insurance Company

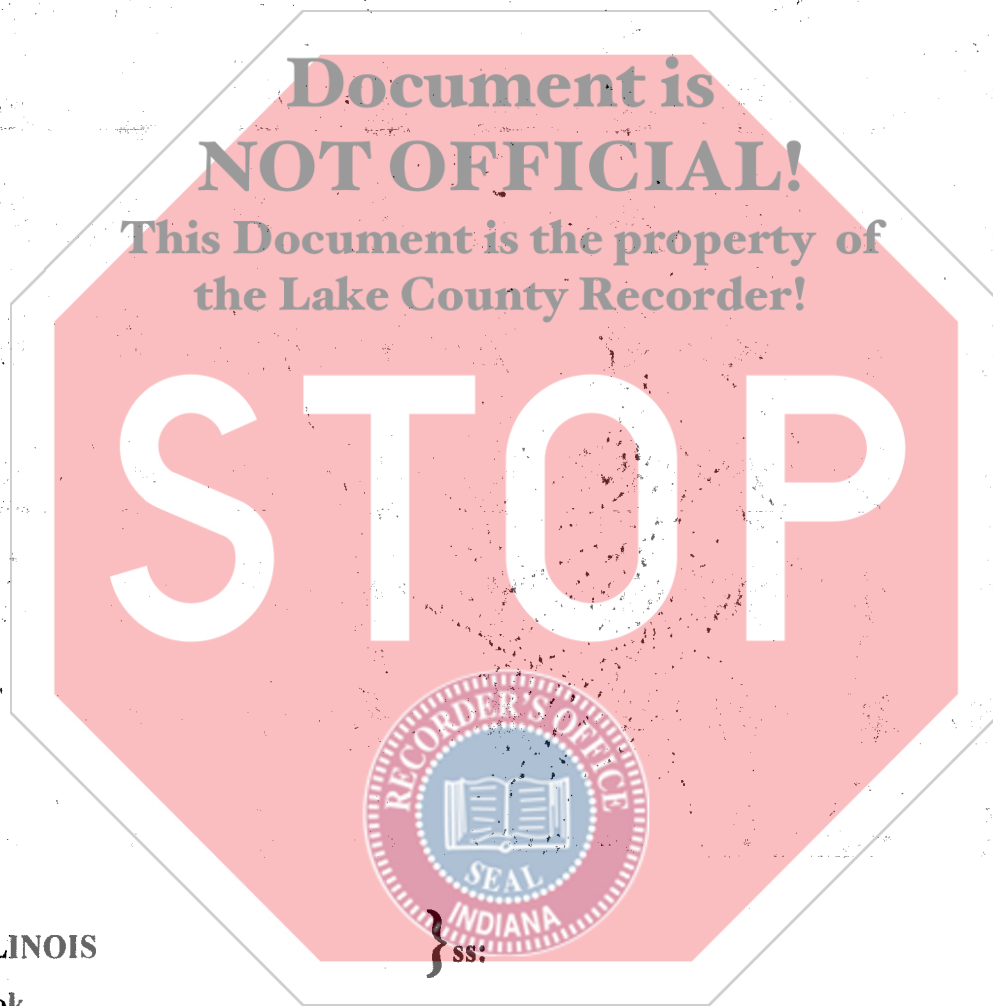
BY: *Susan Symons*  
Susan Symons, Attorney-in-fact



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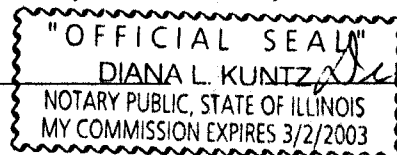
State of **ILLINOIS**  
County of **Cook**

On **January 19, 2000**, before me, a Notary Public to and for said County and State, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared **Susan K. Symons**

known to me to be Attorney-in-Fact of **Peerless Insurance Company** the corporation described in and that executed the within and foregoing instrument, and known to me to be the person who executed the said instrument in behalf of the said corporation, and be duly acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year stated in this certificate above.

My Commission Expires 3/2/2003



*Diana L. Kuntz*  
Notary Public

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**PEERLESS INSURANCE COMPANY  
THE NETHERLANDS INSURANCE COMPANY**  
62 MAPLE AVENUE KEENE, NEW HAMPSHIRE, 03431

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**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:** That Peerless Insurance Company and/or The Netherlands Insurance Company, each being a New Hampshire Corporation having its principal office in the City of Keene, County of Cheshire, State of New Hampshire do/does hereby make, constitute and appoint:

\*\*\*\*Thomas W. Filippini; E. Thomas Thilman; Robert J. Feehery; Peter J. Kunz; Susan Symons\*\*\*\*

of Chicago in the State of Illinois their/its true and lawful attorney(s)-in-fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred in their/its name, place and stead, to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver in their/its behalf, and as their/its act and deed, without power of redelegation, as follows:

bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and all other writings obligatory in the nature thereof; unlimited as to Dollar Amount:

and to bind the Company(ies) making this appointment thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such bond or undertaking was signed by the duly authorized officers of the Company(ies), and all the acts of said attorney(s), pursuant to the authority herein given, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

**AUTHORITY FOR MAKING APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEYS-IN-FACT**

Section 7 of Article 3 of Bylaws of Peerless Insurance Company, as amended May 30, 1997, states: "The Senior Vice President(s) and Vice Presidents(s) of the Company's Bond Profit Center may appoint and remove Attorneys-in-Fact and assign to them and revoke as appropriate such duties, powers and authority as may be advantageous to the Company including the execution and attestation of bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and all other writings obligatory in the nature thereof and other documents on behalf of the Company with power to redelegate such authority."

Section 9 of Article 5 of Bylaws of The Netherlands Insurance Company, as amended May 30, 1997 and June 16, 1997, states: "The Senior Vice President(s) and Vice President(s) of the Company's Bond Profit Center may appoint and remove Attorneys-in-Fact, and assign to them and revoke as appropriate such duties, powers and authority as may be advantageous to the Company including the execution and attestation of bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and all other writings obligatory in the nature thereof and other documents on behalf of the Company with power to redelegate such authority."

**USE OF FACSIMILE SIGNATURES**

Use of facsimile signatures by Peerless Insurance Company is made pursuant to Resolution of the Board of Directors of Peerless Insurance Company, dated April 28, 1988. Use of facsimile signatures by The Netherlands Insurance Company is made pursuant to Resolution of the Board of Directors of The Netherlands Insurance Company, dated April 28, 1988.

**COMPANY MAKING APPOINTMENT**

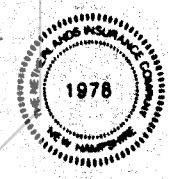
The company making this appointment is identified by an "X" in the box opposite its name in the space provided below. It is the intent of Peerless Insurance Company and The Netherlands Insurance Company to use this instrument for the appointment of Attorney(s)-in-Fact for either Company designated, or for both Companies, if so indicated. In Witness Whereof

**PEERLESS INSURANCE COMPANY**  **THE NETHERLANDS INSURANCE COMPANY**  
has/have caused these presents to be signed by its Vice President, and its Corporate Seal to be hereto affixed by its Secretary, this 5th day of March, 1999.

**PEERLESS INSURANCE COMPANY**  
By: Matthew Klimczak  
Vice President  
Attest: Elliot S. Orol  
Secretary



**THE NETHERLANDS INSURANCE COMPANY**  
By: Matthew Klimczak  
Vice President  
Attest: Elliot S. Orol  
Secretary



**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
COUNTY OF CHESHIRE**  
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 5th day of March, 1999, by Matthew W. Klimczak, Vice President of the Bond Profit Center of Peerless Insurance Company and of The Netherlands Insurance Company and Elliot S. Orol, Secretary of Peerless Insurance Company and The Netherlands Insurance Company, New Hampshire Corporations, on behalf of the corporations. My commission expires:

Rhonda E. Jardine  
Notary Public



I, Elliot S. Orol, Secretary of Peerless Insurance Company and The Netherlands Insurance Company do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Power of Attorney executed by the Company(ies) designated above which is still in force and effect. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal(s) of the Company(ies), at Keene, New Hampshire, this 19th day of January, 2000



Elliot S. Orol  
Elliot S. Orol  
Secretary



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