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DUPLICATE
CONTINUATION CERTIFICATE

IN CONSIDERATION of payment of a premium of **\$100.00**,
THE OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY hereby continues in force to
12/07/00 it's bond No. *3531242*, effective *12/07/98*, on behalf of
Anthony De Rosa DBA T & D Service, Principal, in favor of
All Cities, Towns & Municipalities of Lake County, Indiana, Obligee, subject to all its
terms conditions and limitations as set forth and expressed in said bond.

This certificate is executed upon the express condition that the Company's
liability under said bond and this and all continuation certificates issued in connection
therewith shall not be cumulative, and shall not in any event exceed the amount set forth
in said bond, or said amount as it may have been increased or decreased by any rider(s) or
endorsement(s) properly issued by the Company.

Dated this *21st* day of *March*, 2000.

THE OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY

[Handwritten Signature]
By *Dean DeWitt*, Attorney-in-Fact



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POWER OF ATTORNEY
THE OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY
HAMILTON, OHIO

No 31-900

Know All Men by These Presents: That THE OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, in pursuance of authority granted by Article VI, Section 7 of the By-Laws of said Company, does hereby nominate, constitute and appoint: **Dean Rothschild or Edward Norcutt, Jr. or Art Helm of Merrillville, Indiana** its true and lawful agent (s) and attorney (s)-in-fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver for and on its behalf as surety, and as its act and deed any and all BONDS, UNDERTAKINGS, and RECOGNIZANCES, not exceeding in any single instance **TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$2,500,000.00) DOLLARS**, excluding, however, any bond(s) or undertaking(s) guaranteeing the payment of notes and interest thereon

And the execution of such bonds or undertakings in pursuance of these presents, shall be as binding upon said Company, as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if they had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company at its office in Hamilton, Ohio, in their own proper persons.

The authority granted hereunder supersedes any previous authority heretofore granted the above named attorney(s)-in-fact.

In WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned officer of the said The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company has hereunto subscribed his name and affixed the Corporate Seal of the said The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company this **11th day of October, 1996**.

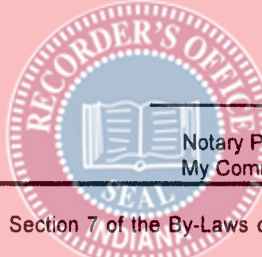


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Lloyd E. Geary
Lloyd E. Geary, Assistant Secretary

STATE OF OHIO,
COUNTY OF BUTLER

On this **11th** day of **October, 1996** before the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Ohio, in and for the County of Butler, duly commissioned and qualified, came **Lloyd E. Geary, Assistant Secretary of THE OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY**, to me personally known to be the individual and officer described in, and who executed the preceding instrument, and he acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn deposeth and saith, that he is the officer of the Company aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the preceding instrument is the Corporate Seal of said Company, and the said Corporate Seal and his signature as officer were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority and direction of the said Corporation.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal at the City of Hamilton, State of Ohio, the day and year first above written.



Cheryl S. Gregory
Notary Public in and for County of Butler, State of Ohio
My Commission expires **August 5, 1997**.

This power of attorney is granted under and by authority of Article VI, Section 7 of the By-Laws of the Company, adopted by its directors on April 2, 1954, extracts from which read:

"ARTICLE VI"

"Section 7. Appointment of Attorney-in-Fact, etc. The chairman of the board, the president, any vice-president, the secretary or any assistant secretary shall be and is hereby vested with full power and authority to appoint attorneys-in-fact for the purpose of signing the name of the Company as surety to, and to execute, attach the corporate seal, acknowledge and deliver any and all bonds, recognizances, stipulations, undertakings or other instruments of suretyship and policies of insurance to be given in favor of any individual, firm, corporation, or the official representative thereof, or to any county or state, or any official board or boards of county or state, or the United States of America, or to any other political subdivision."

This instrument is signed and sealed by facsimile as authorized by the following Resolution adopted by the directors of the Company on May 27, 1970:

"RESOLVED that the signature of any officer of the Company authorized by Article VI Section 7 of the by-laws to appoint attorneys in fact, the signature of the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary certifying to the correctness of any copy of a power of attorney and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or copy thereof issued on behalf of the Company. Such signatures and seal are hereby adopted by the Company as original signatures and seal, to be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed."

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the foregoing power of attorney, Article VI Section 7 of the by-laws of the Company and the above Resolution of its Board of Directors are true and correct copies and are in full force and effect on this date

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Company this **21st** day of **March 2000** A.D.,



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Mark E. Schmidt
Assistant Secretary

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