

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, HOWARD L HECKMAN

AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY

are held and firmly bound unto The State of Indiana, and for the benefit of persons concerned or aggrieved, in the penal sum of (\$10,000.00)  
TEN THOUSAND 00/100 Dollars, to the payment  
of which well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our  
seals, and dated this 22ND day of SEPTEMBER A.D. 2006 . The condition of the above obligation is as follows, viz.:

NOW THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH,

WHEREAS, the above named and bounden HOWARD L HECKMAN  
has been duly elected and commissioned or appointed WATER UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT  
in and for LAKE County, in the State of Indiana, aforesaid, for the term beginning  
from the 20TH day of OCTOBER A.D. 2006 and until his successor is duly qualified and ending 10/20/2007  
I, HOWARD L HECKMAN shall faithfully  
perform and discharge his duties as such WATER UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT and pay over the demand to the persons  
entitled on authorized to receive the same, all moneys that may come into his hands as such WATER UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT  
during his continuance in office; and further, that the Legislature may change, modify or repeal any law now in force, and exact any and all laws during the existence of  
the above obligation at the pleasure of the Legislature, without in any way or manner releasing the said officer or his said securities on said bond; then, and in the case,  
the above obligation shall cease, be null and void, otherwise to be and to remain in full force and virtue in law.

[Seal] Howard L Heckman [Seal]  
HOWARD L HECKMAN [Seal]

[Seal] AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY [Seal]

[Seal] Cynthia Harkins  
CYNTHIA HARKINS, ATTORNEY-IN-FACT



Accepted and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A.D. \_\_\_\_\_

State of Indiana, LAKE County, ss:

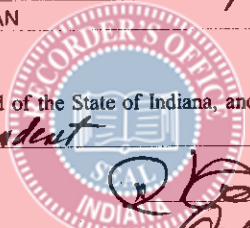
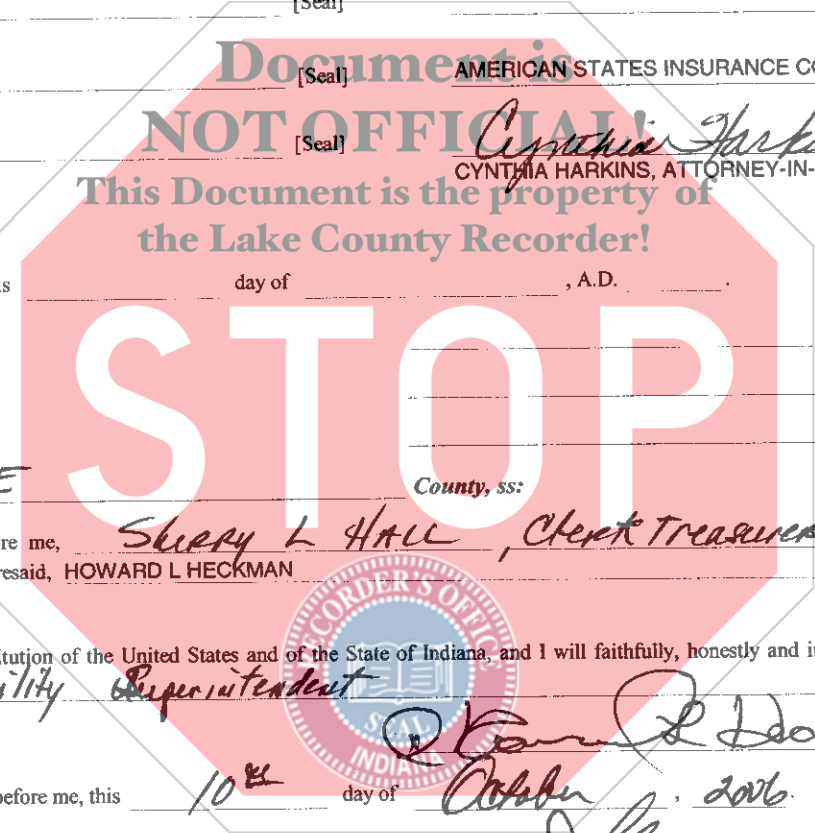
Personally appeared before me, Sherry L Hall, Clerk Treasurer  
in and for said County and State aforesaid, HOWARD L HECKMAN  
who being sworn, upon his oath says:

"I will support the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Indiana, and I will faithfully, honestly and impartially discharge the duties of the  
office of Utility Superintendent to the best of my skill and ability."

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2006.  
Sherry L Hall, Clerk

LAKE COUNTY  
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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL

STATE OF INDIANA, \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY, SS:

Personally appeared before me, HOWARD L HECKMAN principal upon the bond appearing on the reverse side hereof and acknowledges the execution of said bond this, \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public  
Official capacity

\_\_\_\_\_  
Expiration date of commission, if Notary Public

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURETY

STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF BOONE, SS:

Comes now AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE by CYNTHIA HARKINS, ATTORNEY-IN-FACT, its agent, surety upon the bond appearing on the reverse side hereof and acknowledges the execution of said bond this 22ND day of SEPTEMBER, 2006.

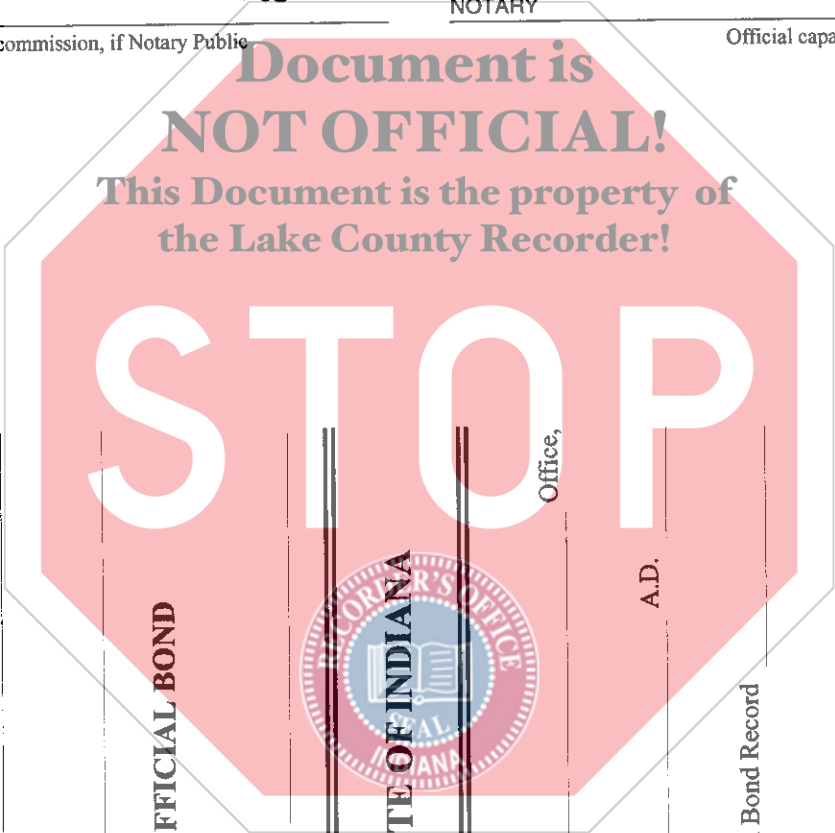
SALLY J. TINKLE, NOTARY PUBLIC  
BOONE COUNTY, STATE OF INDIANA  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: 02-14-08

*Sally J. Tinkle*  
SALLY J. TINKLE

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY

\_\_\_\_\_  
Expiration date of commission, if Notary Public

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Official capacity



OFFICIAL BOND

To } \$ \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF INDIANA

Office, \_\_\_\_\_

Filed in the \_\_\_\_\_

A.D. \_\_\_\_\_

and recorded in Bond Record \_\_\_\_\_

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

American States Insurance Company  
Safeco Plaza  
Seattle, WA 98185

No. 13256

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:

That AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY, a Indiana corporation, does hereby appoint

\*\*\*\*\*CYNTHIA HARKINS\*\*\*\*\*

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 or penalties not exceeding the sum of:

Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100  
DOLLARS (\$ 500,000.00 )

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

this 6th day of July, 2006

*Stephanie Daley-Watson*

*Tim Mikolajewski*

STEPHANIE DALEY-WATSON, SECRETARY

TIM MIKOLAJEWSKI, SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT, SURETY

Document is NOT OFFICIAL! CERTIFICATE

Extract from the By-Laws of AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY:

the Lake County Recorder!

"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 attorneys-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, Stephanie Daley-Watson, 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 2nd day of September, 2006



*Stephanie Daley-Watson*

STEPHANIE DALEY-WATSON, SECRETARY

DECLARATION

This form is to be signed by the preparer of a document, and recorded with EACH document in accordance with IC 36-2-7.5-5(a).

I, the undersigned preparer of the attached document, in accordance with IC 36-2-7.5, do hereby affirm, under the penalties of perjury;

1. I have reviewed the attached document for the purpose of identifying and, to the extent permitted by law, redacting all Social Security numbers;
2. I have redacted, to the extent permitted by law, each Social Security number in the attached document.

I, the undersigned, affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that the foregoing declarations are true.



*Cynthia Harkins*  
Signature of Declarant

CYNTHIA HARKINS  
Printed Name of Declarant