

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT CONTRACT

SECTION 00500

SRF GREEN ALLEY PROJECT**BID SET 1 – YEAR 3**

THIS IMPROVEMENT CONTRACT (the Contract), made in triplicate, dated for references purposes the 2nd day of June, 2015 between the City of Dubuque, Iowa, by its City Manager, through authority conferred upon the City Manager by its City Council (City), and Contractor Portzen Construction, Inc. (Contractor).

For and in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

CONTRACTOR AGREES:

1. To furnish all material and equipment and to perform all labor necessary for the **SRF Green Alley Project Bid Set 1 – Year 3** (Project).
2. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS
 - A. The Contract Documents consist of the following:
 1. This Contract (Section 00500).
 2. Performance, Payment, and Maintenance Bond (Section 00600).
 3. Out-of-State Contractor Bond (Section 00610) if needed
 4. Other Bonds:
 - a. ____ (Bond Name) ____ (pages ____ to __, inclusive).
 - b. ____ (Bond Name) ____ (pages ____ to __, inclusive).
 - c. ____ (Bond Name) ____ (pages ____ to __, inclusive).
 5. The Iowa Statewide Urban Design and Specifications (SUDAS) 2015 Edition.
 6. CITY OF DUBUQUE Supplemental Specifications 2014 Edition.
 7. Other Standard and Supplementary Specifications as listed on the Title Page of Contract Document Manual
 8. Special Provisions included in the project Contract Document Manual
 9. Drawings –Sheet No.**A.01** through No.**W.10**_ or drawings consisting of sheets bearing the following general title:
____SRF Green Alley Project – Various Locations Year 3 Bid Pack 1____
10. Addenda (numbers 1 to 2 , inclusive).
11. Insurance Provisions and Requirements (Section 00700)
12. Sales Tax Exemption Certificate (Section 00750)
13. Site Condition Information (Section 00775)
14. Construction Schedule and Agreed Cost of Delay (Section 00800)

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16. Erosion Control Certificate (Section 00900)

17. Consent Decree (Section 01000)

18. Other Project Information (Section 01100)

19. Exhibits to this Contract (enumerated as follows):

a. Contractor's Bid (pages 1 to 2, inclusive).

b. The following documentation must be submitted by Contractor prior to Notice of Award.

i. _____

ii. _____

iii. _____

c. None.

19. The following which may be delivered or issued on or after the Effective Date of the Agreement:

a. Notice to Proceed (Section 00850).

b. Change Orders (Not attached to this agreement).

20. The Contract Documents may only be amended, modified, or supplemented as provided in General Conditions.

3. All materials used by the Contractor in the Project must be of the quality required by the Contract Documents and must be installed in accordance with the Contract Documents.

4. The Contractor must remove any materials rejected by the City as defective or improper, or any of said work condemned as unsuitable or defective, and the same must be replaced or redone to the satisfaction of the City at the sole cost and expense of the Contractor.

5. Five percent (5%) of the Contract price will be retained by the City for a period of thirty (30) days after final completion and acceptance of the Project by the City Council to pay any claim by any party that may be filed for labor and materials done and furnished in connection with the performance of this Contract and for a longer period if such claims are not adjusted within that thirty (30) day period, as provided in Iowa Code Chapter 573 or Iowa Code Chapter 26. The City will also retain additional sums to protect itself against any claim that has been filed against it for damages to persons or property arising through the prosecution of the work and such sums will be held by the City until such claims have been settled, adjudicated or otherwise disposed of.

6. The Contractor has read and understands the Contract Documents herein referred to and agrees not to plead misunderstanding or deception related to estimates of quantity, character, location or other conditions for the Project.

7. In addition to any warranty provided for in the specifications, the Contractor must also fix any other defect in any part of the Project, even if the Project has been accepted and fully paid for by the City. The Contractor's maintenance bond will be security for a period of two years after the issuance of the Certificate of Substantial Completion.

8. The Contractor must fully complete the Project under this Contract on or before the date indicated in the Construction Schedule and Agreed Cost of Delay Section of the Contract Documents.

9. INDEMNIFICATION FROM THIRD PARTY CLAIMS. To the fullest extent permitted by law, City shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless Contractor, its officers and employees, from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses claimed by third parties, but not including any claims, damages, losses or expenses of the parties to this Contract, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from performance of this Agreement, provided that such claim, damages, loss or expense is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or injury to or destruction of property, including loss of use resulting there from, but only to the extent caused in whole or in part by negligent acts or omissions of City, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by City or anyone for whose acts City may be liable, regardless of whether or not such claim, damage, loss or expense is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder.
10. The Contractor hereby represents and guarantees that it has not, nor has any other person for or in its behalf, directly or indirectly, entered into any arrangement or Contract with any other Bidder, or with any public officer, whereby it has paid or is to pay any other Bidder or public officer any sum of money or anything of value whatever in order to obtain this Contract; and it has not, nor has another person for or in its behalf directly or indirectly, entered into any Contractor arrangement with any other person, firm, corporation or association which tends to or does lessen or destroy free competition in the award of this Contract and agrees that in case it hereafter be established that such representations or guarantees, or any of them are false, it will forfeit and pay not less than ten percent (10%) of the Contract price but in no event less than \$2,000.00 (Two Thousand Dollars) to the City.
11. The surety on the Bond furnished for this Contract must, in addition to all other provisions, be obligated to the extent provided for by Iowa Code 573.6 relating to this Contract, which provisions apply to said Bond.
12. The Contractor agrees, and its Bond is surety therefore, that after the Certificate of Substantial Completion has been issued by the City, it will keep and maintain the Project in good repair for a period of two (2) years.
13. The Project must be constructed in strict accordance with the requirements of the laws of the State of Iowa, and the United States, and ordinances of the City of Dubuque, and in accordance with the Contract Documents.
 - A. All applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act of 1970 (42 U. S. C. 1958 (H) et. seq.) and the Federal Water Pollution Act (33 U. S. C. 1368 et. seq.) as amended, Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR, Part 15). Contractor must comply with Section 103 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 USC 327-330) and Department of Labor Regulations (29 CFR, Part 5).
 - B. The City and the Contractor agree to comply with all provisions of the Davis-Bacon Federal Prevailing Wage Act, if applicable, and related labor requirements and regulations and the Federal Wage Determination for this Project.
 - C. Equipment or products authorized to be purchased with federal funding awarded for this Contract must be American-made to the maximum extent feasible, in accordance with Public Law 103-121, Sections 606(a) and (b).

**CONSENT DECREE
RELATING TO THE PROJECT**

14. ☒ THIS CONTRACTOR IS PERFORMING WORK FOR THE CITY OF DUBUQUE RELATED TO THE WATER & RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTER OR THE SANITARY SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM. THEREFORE, THE CONSENT DECREE AND THIS SECTION ARE APPLICABLE.

☒ CITY ☒ CONTRACTOR

- ☐ THIS CONTRACTOR IS NOT PERFORMING WORK FOR THE CITY OF DUBUQUE RELATED TO THE WATER & RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTER OR THE SANITARY SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM. THEREFORE THE CONSENT DECREE AND THIS SECTION ARE NOT APPLICABLE.

The City has entered into a Consent Decree in the case of The United States of America, and the State of Iowa v. The City of Dubuque, Iowa, Civil Action Number Case 2:11-cv-01011-EMJ, Civil Action Number 2008V00041, DOJ Case Number 90-5-1-1-09339, United States District Court for the Northern District of Iowa. The provisions of the Consent Decree apply to and are binding upon the City and its officers, directors, employees, agents, servants, successors, assigns, and all persons, firms and corporations under contract with the City to perform the obligations of the Consent Decree.

The City is required to provide a copy of the Consent Decree to any contractor or consultant retained to perform work required by the Consent Decree.

A copy of the Consent Decree is included in the Contract Documents and can be viewed at <http://www.cityofdubuque.org/DocumentCenter/Home/View/3173>. A hard copy is available upon request at the City's Engineering Department Office.

The City must condition any contract to perform work required under the Consent Decree upon performance of the work in conformity with the provisions of the Consent Decree.

The Consent Decree also provides that until five (5) years after the termination of the Consent Decree, the City must retain, and must instruct its contractors and agents to preserve, all non-identical copies of all documents, reports, data, records, or other information (including documents, records, or other information in electronic form) in its or its contractors' or agents' possession or control, or that come into its or its contractors' or agents' possession or control, and that relate in any manner to the City's performance of its obligations under this Consent Decree, including any underlying research and analytical data. This information-retention period, upon request by the United States or the State, the City must provide copies of any documents, reports, analytical data, or other information required to be maintained under the Consent Decree. At the conclusion of the information-retention period, the City must notify the United States and the State at least ninety (90) Days prior to the destruction of any documents, records, or other information subject to such requirements and, upon request by the United States or the State, the City must deliver any such documents, records, or other information to the EPA or IDNR.

CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACTOR

The undersigned, on behalf of the Contractor, with full authority to act on behalf of the Contractor, certifies to the City of Dubuque as follows:

1. I have received a copy of the Consent Decree in the case of The United States of America, and the State of Iowa v. The City of Dubuque, Iowa, Civil Action Number Case 2:11-cv-01011-EMJ, Civil Action Number 2008V00041, DOJ Case Number 90-5-1-1-09339, United States District Court for the Northern District of Iowa.
2. All work performed will be in conformity with the provisions of the Consent Decree.
3. All documents reports, data, records, or other information (including documents, records, or other information in electronic form) that relate in any manner to the performance of obligations under the Consent Decree, including any underlying research and analytical data, will be retained as required by the Consent Decree.
4. The Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City, its officers, agents, or employees from and against any claims, including penalties, costs and fees as provided in the Consent Decree, relating to or arising out of the Contractor's failure to comply with the Consent Decree.

CONTRACTOR:

Portzen Construction, Inc.

Contractor

By: 

Signature

Michael J. Portzen

Printed Name

Vice President

Title

June 2, 2015

Date

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THE CITY AGREES:


15. Upon the completion of the Contract, and the acceptance of the Project by the City Council, and subject to the requirements of law, the City agrees to pay the Contractor as full compensation for the complete performance of this Contract, the amount determined for the total work completed at the price(s) stated in the Contractor's Bid Proposal and less any Agreed Cost of Delay provided for in the Contract Documents.

CONTRACT AMOUNT \$ 1,241,829.00

CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA:

City Manager's Office
Department
By: 
Signature
Michael C. Van Milligen
Printed Name
City Manager
Title
6/16/15
Date

CONTRACTOR:

Portzen Construction, Inc.
Contractor
By: 
Signature
Michael J. Portzen
Printed Name
Vice President
Title
June 2, 2015
Date

=====END OF SECTION 00500=====

PERFORMANCE, PAYMENT AND MAINTENANCE BOND**SECTION 00600**

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, Portzen Construction, Inc., as Principal (hereinafter the "Contractor" or "Principal") and United Fire & Casualty Co., as Surety are held and firmly bound unto the City of Dubuque, Iowa, as Obligee (hereinafter referred to as "Owner"), and to all persons who may be injured by any breach of any of the conditions of this Bond in the penal sum of One million, two hundred forty one thousand eight hundred twenty nine dollars (\$ 1,241,829.00), lawful money of the United States, for the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, legal representatives and assigns, jointly or severally, firmly by these presents.

The conditions of the above obligations are such that whereas said Contractor entered into a contract with the Owner, bearing date the 2nd day of June, 2015, (hereinafter the "Contract") wherein said Contractor undertakes and agrees to construct the following project in accordance with the Contract Documents, and to faithfully perform all the terms and requirements of said Contract within the time therein specified, in a good and workmanlike manner, and in accordance with the Contract Documents. The Contract Documents for **SRF GREEN ALLEY PROJECT – BID SET 1 – YEAR 3** Project detail the following described improvements:

**SRF GREEN ALLEY PROJECT
BID SET 1 – YEAR 3**

It is expressly understood and agreed by the Contractor and Surety in this Bond that the following provisions are a part of this Bond and are binding upon said Contractor and Surety, to-wit:

1. **PERFORMANCE:** The Contractor shall well and faithfully observe, perform, fulfill, and abide by each and every covenant, condition, and part of said Contract and Contract Documents, by reference made a part hereof, for the project, and shall indemnify and save harmless the Owner from all outlay and expense incurred by the Owner by reason of the Contractor's default of failure to perform as required. The Contractor shall also be responsible for the default or failure to perform as required under the Contract and Contract Documents by all its subcontractors, suppliers, agents, or employees furnishing materials or providing labor in the performance of the Contract.
2. **PAYMENT:** The Contractor and the Surety on this Bond hereby agreed to pay all just claims submitted by persons, firms, subcontractors, and corporations furnishing materials for or performing labor in the performance of the Contract on account of which this Bond is given, including but not limited to claims for all amounts due for labor, materials, lubricants, oil, gasoline, repairs on machinery, equipment, and tools, consumed or used by the Contractor or any subcontractor, wherein the same are not satisfied out of the portion of the

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contract price the Owner is required to retain until completion of the improvement, but the Contractor and Surety shall not be liable to said persons, firms, or corporations unless the claims of said claimants against said portion of the contract price shall have been established as provided by law. The Contractor and Surety hereby bind themselves to the obligations and conditions set forth in Chapter 573 of the Iowa Code, which by this reference is made a part hereof as though fully set out herein.

3. MAINTENANCE: The Contractor and the Surety on this Bond hereby agree, at their own expense:
 - A. To remedy any and all defects that may develop in or result from work to be performed under the Contract Documents within the period of two (2) year(s) from the date of acceptance of the work under the Contract, by reason of defects in workmanship, equipment installed, or materials used in construction of said work;
 - B. To keep all work in continuous good repair; and
 - C. To pay the Owner's reasonable costs of monitoring and inspection to assure that any defects are remedied, and to repay the Owner all outlay and expense incurred as a result of Contractor's and Surety's failure to remedy any defect as required by this section.

Contractor's and Surety's Contract herein made extends to defects in workmanship or materials not discovered or known to the Owner at the time such work was accepted.

4. GENERAL: Every Surety on this Bond shall be deemed and held bound, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding, to the following provisions:
 - A. To consent without notice to any extension of time authorized in approved change orders to the Contractor in which to perform the Contract;
 - B. To consent without notice to any change in the Contract or Contract Documents, authorized in approved change orders which thereby increases the total contract price and the penal sum of this Bond, provided that all such changes do not, in the aggregate, involve an increase of more than twenty percent (20%) of the total contract price, and that this Bond shall then be released as to such excess increase;
 - C. To consent without notice that this Bond shall remain in full force and effect until the Contract is completed, whether completed within the specified contract period, within an extension thereof, or within a period of time after the contract period has elapsed and the liquidated damage penalty is being charged against the Contractor.

The Contractor and every Surety on the Bond shall be deemed and held bound, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding, to the following provisions:

- D. That no provision of this Bond or of any other contract shall be valid that limits to less than five (5) years after the acceptance of the work under the Contract the right to sue on this Bond.
- E. That as used herein, the phrase "all outlay and expense" is not to be limited in any way, but shall include the actual and reasonable costs and expenses incurred by the Owner including interest, benefits, and overhead where applicable. Accordingly, "all outlay and expense" would include but not be limited to all contract or employee expense, all equipment usage or rental, materials, testing, outside experts, attorney's fees (including overhead expenses of the Owner's staff attorneys), and all costs and expenses of litigation as they are incurred by the Owner. It is intended the Contractor and Surety will defend and indemnify the Owner on all claims made against the Owner on account of Contractor's failure to perform as required in the Contract and Contract Documents, that all agreements and promises set forth in the Contract and Contract Documents, in approved change orders, and in this Bond will be fulfilled, and that the Owner will be fully indemnified so that it will be put into the position it would have been in had the Contract been performed in the first instance as required.

In the event the Owner incurs any "outlay and expense" in defending itself against any claim as to which the Contractor or Surety should have provided the defense, or in the enforcement of the promises given by the Contractor in the Contract, Contract Documents, or approved change orders, or in the enforcement of the promises given by the Contractor and Surety in this Bond, the Contractor and Surety agree that they will make the Owner whole for all such outlay and expense, provided that the Surety's obligation under this Bond shall not exceed one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the penal sum of this Bond.

In the event that any actions or proceedings are initiated regarding this Bond, the parties agree that the venue thereof shall be Dubuque County, State of Iowa. If legal action is required by the Owner to enforce the provisions of this Bond or to collect the monetary obligation incurring to the benefit of the Owner, the Contractor and the Surety agree, jointly, and severally, to pay the Owner all outlay and expense incurred therefor by the Owner. All rights, powers, and remedies of the Owner hereunder shall be cumulative and not alternative and shall be in addition to all rights, powers, and remedies given to the Owner, by law. The Owner may proceed against surety for any amount guaranteed hereunder whether action is brought against the Contractor or whether Contractor is joined in any such action(s) or not.

NOW THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that if said Principal shall faithfully perform all the promises of the Principal, as set forth and provided in the Contract, in the Contract Documents, and in this Bond, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

When a work, term, or phrase is used in this Bond, it shall be interpreted or construed first as defined in this Bond, the Contract, or the Contract Documents; second, if not defined in the Bond, Contract, or Contract Documents, it shall be interpreted or construed as defined in applicable provisions of the Iowa Code; third, if not defined in the Iowa Code, it shall be interpreted or construed according to its generally accepted meaning in the construction industry; and fourth, if it

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has no generally accepted meaning in the construction industry, it shall be interpreted or construed according to its common or customary usage.

Failure to specify or particularize shall not exclude terms or provisions not mentioned and shall not limit liability hereunder. The Contract and Contract Documents are hereby made a part of this Bond.

Project No. **SRF Green Alley Project – Bid Set 1 – Year 3, CIP 7102450**

Witness our hands, in triplicate, this 5th day of June, 2015.

SURETY COUNTERSIGNED BY:

Mark J Phalen
Signature of Agent

Mark J Phalen

Printed Name of Agent

880 Locust St - Ste 200

Company Address

Dubuque, Iowa 52001

City, State, Zip Code

563-556-0272

Company Telephone Number

PRINCIPAL:

Portzen Construction Inc
Contractor

By: Michael J Portzen
Signature

Michael J Portzen

Printed Name

Vice President

Title

NOTE:

1. All signatures on this performance, payment, and maintenance Bond must be original signatures in ink; copies, facsimile, or electronic signatures will not be accepted.
2. This Bond must be sealed with the Surety's raised, embossing seal.
3. The name and signature of the Surety's Attorney-in-Fact/Officer entered on this Bond must be exactly as listed on the Certificate or Power of Attorney accompanying this Bond.

FORM APPROVED BY:

[Signature]
Representative for Owner

SURETY:

United Fire & Casualty Co.
Surety Company

By: Terrance J Friedman
Signature Attorney-in-Fact Officer

Terrance J Friedman
Printed Name of Attorney-in-Fact Officer

Friedman Insurance Inc
Company Name

880 Locust St - Ste 200
Company Address

Dubuque, Iowa 52001
City, State, Zip Code

563-556-0272
Company Telephone Number

===== END OF SECTION 00600 =====

OUT-OF-STATE CONTRACTOR BOND

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An out-of-state Contractor must either file a surety Bond, as provided in Iowa Code section 91C.7, with the Iowa Division of Labor Services in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for a one (1) year period or must provide a statement to the Iowa Division of Labor Services that the contractor is prequalified to Bid on projects for the Iowa Department of Transportation pursuant to Iowa Code Section 314.1

An out-of-state Contractor, before commencing a contract in excess of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in value of Iowa, must file a Bond with the Iowa Division of Labor Services of the Iowa Department of Workforce Development. A Surety Bond filed pursuant to Iowa Code section 91C.2 must be executed by a surety company authorized to do business in this state, and the Bond must be continuous in nature until canceled by the Surety with not less than thirty (30) days; written notice to the contractor and to the Division of Labor Services of the Iowa Department of Workforce Development in dictating the surety's desire to cancel the Bond. The Surety company is liable under the Bond for any contract commenced after the cancellation of the Bond. The Bond must be in the sum of the greater of the following:

- (1) One thousand dollars (\$1,000.00); or
- (2) Five percent (5%) of the contract price

An out-of-state Contractor may file a blanket Bond in an amount at least equal to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for a two (2) year period in lieu of filing an individual Bond for each Contract. The Division of Labor Services of the Iowa Department of Workforce Development may increase the Bond amount after a hearing.

=====END OF SECTION 00610=====



UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY COMPANY, CEDAR RAPIDS, IA
UNITED FIRE & INDEMNITY COMPANY, WEBSTER, TX
FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, ROCKLIN, CA
CERTIFIED COPY OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

(original on file at Home Office of Company - See Certification)

Inquiries: Surety Department
118 Second Ave SE
Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, That UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY COMPANY, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Iowa; UNITED FIRE & INDEMNITY COMPANY, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas; and FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of California (herein collectively called the Companies), and having their corporate headquarters in Cedar Rapids, State of Iowa, does make, constitute and appoint TERRANCE J. FRIEDMAN, OR SCOTT A. DESOUSA, OR MARK J. PHALEN, ALL INDIVIDUALLY OF DUBUQUE IA

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact with power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute in its behalf all lawful bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature provided that no single obligation shall exceed \$50,000,000.00 and to bind the Companies thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by the duly authorized officers of the Companies and all of the acts of said Attorney, pursuant to the authority hereby given and hereby ratified and confirmed.

The Authority hereby granted is continuous and shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY COMPANY, UNITED FIRE & INDEMNITY COMPANY, AND FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY.

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following bylaw duly adopted on May 15, 2013, by the Boards of Directors of UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY COMPANY, UNITED FIRE & INDEMNITY COMPANY, and FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY.

"Article VI - Surety Bonds and Undertakings"

Section 2, Appointment of Attorney-in-Fact. "The President or any Vice President, or any other officer of the Companies may, from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Companies in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. The signature of any officer authorized hereby, and the Corporate seal, may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or special power of attorney or certification of either authorized hereby; such signature and seal, when so used, being adopted by the Companies as the original signature of such officer and the original seal of the Companies, to be valid and binding upon the Companies with the same force and effect as though manually affixed. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority shall have full power to bind the Companies by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach the seal of the Companies thereto. The President or any Vice President, the Board of Directors or any other officer of the Companies may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the COMPANIES have each caused these presents to be signed by its vice president and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed this 15th day of October, 2013

UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY COMPANY
UNITED FIRE & INDEMNITY COMPANY
FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY

By: *Dennis J. Richmann* Vice President

State of Iowa, County of Linn, ss:

On 15th day of October, 2013, before me personally came Dennis J. Richmann

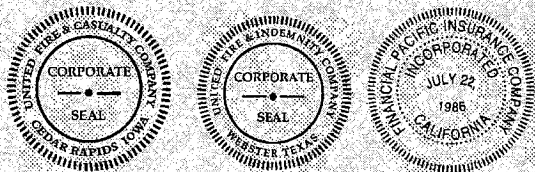
to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say; that he resides in Cedar Rapids, State of Iowa; that he is a Vice President of UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY COMPANY, a Vice President of UNITED FIRE & INDEMNITY COMPANY, and a Vice President of FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporations; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said corporations and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporations.



Mary A. Bertsch Notary Public
My commission expires: 10/26/2016

I, David A. Lange, Secretary of UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY COMPANY and Assistant Secretary of UNITED FIRE & INDEMNITY COMPANY, and Assistant Secretary of FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of the Power of Attorney and affidavit, and the copy of the Section of the bylaws and resolutions of said Corporations as set forth in said Power of Attorney, with the ORIGINALS ON FILE IN THE HOME OFFICE OF SAID CORPORATIONS, and that the same are correct transcripts thereof, and of the whole of the said originals, and that the said Power of Attorney has not been revoked and is now in full force and effect.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the corporate seal of the said Corporations this 5th day of June, 2015.



By: *David A. Lange*
Secretary, UF&C
Assistant Secretary, UF&I/FPIC