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BID FORM

TOWN COPAKE COPAKE HAMLET STREETSCAPE AND PARKING LOTS CONTRACT NO. 1 – CHURCH STREET LOT

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D C DIV	III ILD DI.	A. Colarusso & Son, Inc.	
		P.O. Box 302	
		Hudson, NY 12534	
ARTI	CLE 1 – BID R	ECIPIENT	
1.01	This Bid is sub	mitted to:	
	ATTN 230 M	of Copake : Lynn Connolly, Town Clerk ountain View Road e, New York 12516	
1.02	The undersigned Bidder proposes and agrees, if this Bid is accepted, to enter into an Agreement with Owner in the form included in the Bidding Documents to perform all Work as specified of indicated in the Bidding Documents for the prices and within the times indicated in this Bid and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Bidding Documents.		
ARTI	CLE 2 – BIDDI	ER'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS	
2.01	Bidder accepts all of the terms and conditions of the Instructions to Bidders, including without limitation those dealing with the disposition of Bid security. This Bid will remain subject to acceptance for 45 days after the Bid opening, or for such longer period of time that Bidder may agree to in writing upon request of Owner.		
ARTI	CLE 3 – BIDDI	ER'S REPRESENTATIONS	
3.01	In submitting this Bid, Bidder represents that:		
	reference	is examined and carefully studied the Bidding Documents, and any data and items identified in the Bidding Documents, and hereby acknowledges receipt of ving Addenda:	
	Add	endum No. Addendum Date	
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- B. Bidder has visited the Site, conducted a thorough, alert visual examination of the Site and adjacent areas, and become familiar with and satisfied itself as to the general, local, and Site conditions that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
- C. Bidder is familiar with and has satisfied itself as to all Laws and Regulations that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
- D. Bidder has carefully studied all: (1) reports of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or adjacent to the Site and all drawings of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site that have been identified in the Supplementary Conditions, especially with respect to Technical Data in such reports and drawings, and (2) reports and drawings relating to Hazardous Environmental Conditions, if any, at or adjacent to the Site that have been identified in the Supplementary Conditions, especially with respect to Technical Data in such reports and drawings.
- E. Bidder has considered the information known to Bidder itself; information commonly known to contractors doing business in the locality of the Site; information and observations obtained from visits to the Site; the Bidding Documents; and any Site-related reports and drawings identified in the Bidding Documents, with respect to the effect of such information, observations, and documents on (1) the cost, progress, and performance of the Work; (2) the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by Bidder; and (3) Bidder's safety precautions and programs.
- F. Bidder agrees, based on the information and observations referred to in the preceding paragraph, that no further examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, or data are necessary for the determination of this Bid for performance of the Work at the price bid and within the times required, and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Bidding Documents.
- G. Bidder is aware of the general nature of work to be performed by Owner and others at the Site that relates to the Work as indicated in the Bidding Documents.
- H. Bidder has given Designer written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that Bidder has discovered in the Bidding Documents, and confirms that the written resolution thereof by Designer is acceptable to Bidder.
- I. The Bidding Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for the performance and furnishing of the Work.
- J. The submission of this Bid constitutes an incontrovertible representation by Bidder that Bidder has complied with every requirement of this Article, and that without exception the Bid and all prices in the Bid are premised upon performing and furnishing the Work required by the Bidding Documents.

ARTICLE 4 – BIDDER'S CERTIFICATION

4.01 Bidder certifies that:

- A. This Bid is genuine and not made in the interest of or on behalf of any undisclosed individual or entity and is not submitted in conformity with any collusive agreement or rules of any group, association, organization, or corporation;
- B. Bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other Bidder to submit a false or sham Bid;
- C. Bidder has not solicited or induced any individual or entity to refrain from bidding;
- D. Bidder has not engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or coercive practices in competing for the Contract. For the purposes of this Paragraph 4.01.D:

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- 1. "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value likely to influence the action of a public official in the bidding process;
- 2. "fraudulent practice" means an intentional misrepresentation of facts made (a) to influence the bidding process to the detriment of Owner, (b) to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels, or (c) to deprive Owner of the benefits of free and open competition;
- 3. "collusive practice" means a scheme or arrangement between two or more Bidders, with or without the knowledge of Owner, a purpose of which is to establish bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels;
- 4. "coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the bidding process or affect the execution of the Contract.

ARTICLE 5 - BASIS OF BID

5.01 Bidder will complete the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents for the following price(s):

CONTRACT NO. 1 - BASE BID ITEMS

Item	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Extension
1.01	General Conditions and Requirements	1	LS	51,225.00	51,225.00
1.02	Temporary Facilities and Controls	1	LS	5,000.00	5,000.00
1.03	Site Demolition and Removals	1	LS	20,750.00	20,750.00
1.04	Parking Lot Construction	1	LS	115,000.00	115,000.00
1.05	Site Furnishings	1	LS	109,750.00	109,750.00
1.06	Landscaping	1	LS	12,925.00	12,925.00
1.07	Site Restoration	1	LS	15,900.00	15,900.00
1.08	Contingency Allowance	1	AL	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
	Bidder's Total Base Bid				\$350,550.00

ARTICLE 6 – TIME OF COMPLETION

- 6.01 Bidder agrees that the Work and Milestones specified in Section 01 31 13, Project Coordination, will be substantially complete and will be completed and ready for final payment in accordance with Paragraph 15.06 of the General Conditions on or before the dates or within the number of calendar days indicated in the Agreement.
- 6.02 Bidder accepts the provisions of the Agreement as to liquidated damages in the event of failure to complete the Work, and any specified Milestones, within Contract Times.

ARTICLE 7 – ATTACHMENTS TO THIS BID

- 7.01 The following documents are submitted with and made a condition of this Bid:
 - A. Required Bid Security
 - B. Non-Collusive Bidding Certification
 - C. Iranian Energy Sector Divestment Certification
 - D. Sexual Harassment Prevention Certification
 - E. Prohibition on Purchase of Tropical Hardwoods Certification

ARTICLE 8 - DEFINED TERMS

8.01 The terms used in this Bid with initial capital letters have the meanings stated in the Instructions to Bidders, the General Conditions, and the Supplementary Conditions.

ARTICLE 9 - BID SUBMITTAL

BIDDER: [Indicate correct name of bidding entity]

A. Co; larusso & Son, Inc.

By: [Signature] David J LaSpada [Printed name] (If Bidder is a corporation, a limited liability company, a partnership, or a joint venture, attach evidence of authority to sign.) Attest: [Signature] Robert Butler [Printed name] Project Manager Title: October 2, 2023 Submittal Date: Address for giving notices: P.O. Box 302 91 Newman Road Hudson, NY 12534 518-828-3218 Telephone Number: 518-828-0546 Fax Number: David LaSpada Contact Name and E-mail Address: davel@acolarusso.com Bidder's Federal **Employer Identification** 14-1424400 Number (FEIN) (For NYS Department of Labor reporting of Successful Bidder only)

NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATION

- (a) By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of his knowledge and belief:
 - 1. The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation. communication or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or with any competitor;
 - 2. Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this bid have not been knowingly, disclosed by the bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the bidder prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or to any competitor; and
 - 3. No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.
- (b) A bid shall not be considered for award nor shall any award be made where (a) 1., 2., and 3., above have not been complied with; provided, however, that if in any case the bidder cannot make the foregoing certification, the bidder shall so state and shall furnish with the bid a signed statement which sets forth in detail the reasons therefore. Where (a) 1., 2., and 3., above have not been complied with the bid shall not be considered for award nor shall any award to be made unless the head of the purchasing unit of the political subdivision, public department, agency or official thereof to which the bid is made, or his designee determines that such disclosure was not made for the purpose of restricting competition.
- (c) The fact that a bidder (a) has published price lists, rates, or tariffs covering items being procured, (b) has informed prospective customers of proposed or pending publication of new or revised price lists for such items, or (c) has sold the same items to other customers at the same prices being bid, does not constitute, without more, a disclosure within the meaning of paragraph (a) of this certification.
- (d) Any bid hereafter made to any political subdivision of the State or any public department, agency or official thereof by a corporate bidder for work or services performed or to be performed or goods sold or to be sold, where competitive bidding is required by statute, rule, regulation, or local law, and where such bid contains the certification referred to in subdivision one of the section, shall be deemed to have been authorized by the board of directors of the bidder, and such authorization shall be deemed to include the signing and submission of the bid and the inclusion therein of the certificate as to non-collusion as the act and deed of the corporation.

FIRM: A. Colarusso & Son, Inc.

By: Davdi J'LaSpada, Vice President Title:

(CORPORATE SEAL IF ANY)

+ + END OF SECTION + +

IRANIAN ENERGY SECTOR DIVESTMENT CERTIFICATION

- 1. Bidder hereby represents that said Bidder is in compliance with New York State General Municipal Law Section 103-g entitled "Iranian Energy Sector Divestment", in that Bidder has not:
 - a) Provided goods or services of \$20 million or more in the energy sector of Iran including but not limited to the provision of oil or liquefied natural gas tankers or products used to construct or maintain pipelines used to transport oil or liquefied natural gas for the energy sector of Iran; or
 - b) Acted as a financial institution and extended \$20 million or more in credit to another person for forty-five (45) days or more, if that person's intent was to use the credit to provide goods or services in the energy sector in Iran.
- 2. Any Bidder who has undertaken any of the above and is identified on a list created pursuant to Section 165-a (3) (b) of the New York State Finance Law as a person engaging in investment activities in Iran, shall not be deemed a responsible bidder pursuant to Section 103 of the New York State General Municipal Law.
- 3. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, every Bidder submitting a Bid in response to this Advertisement for Bid must certify and affirm the following under penalties of perjury:
 - a) "By submission of this bid, the Bidder and each person signing on behalf of the Bidder certifies and in the case of a joint Bid, each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief, that Bidder is not on the list created pursuant to NYS Finance Law Section 165-a (3) (b)."
 - The Owner will accept this statement electronically in accordance with the provisions of Section 103 of the General Municipal Law.
- 4. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, any Bidder that is submitted without having complied with subdivision (a) above, shall not be considered for award. In any case where the Bidder cannot make the certification as set forth in subdivision (a) above, the Bidder shall so state and shall furnish with the bid a signed statement setting forth in detail the reasons therefore. The Owner reserves its rights, in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 103-g to award the Bid to any Bidder who cannot make the certification, on a case-by-case basis under the following circumstances:
 - a) The investment activities in Iran were made before April 12, 2012, the investment activities in Iran have not been expanded or renewed after April

- 12, 2012 and the Bidder has adopted, publicized and is implementing a formal plan to cease the investment activities in Iran and to refrain from engaging in any new investments in Iran; or
- b) The Owner has made a determination that the goods or services are necessary for the Owner to perform its functions and that, absent such an exemption, the Owner would be unable to obtain the goods or services for which the Bidder is offered. Such determination shall be made by the Owner in writing and shall be a public document.

Signature A. Colarusso & Son, Inc. Company Name	Vice President Title October 2, 2023 Date
appeared David J LaSpada)) SS:, 2023, before me personally came and to me known and known to me to d the foregoing instrument and acknowledged
Jahley Allsep	ASHLEY K ALLSOP Notary Public, State of New York No. 01AL6335101 Qualified in Columbia County Commission Expires December 28, 2023

END OF SECTION

SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION CERTIFICATION

By Submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of that person's knowledge and belief:

- In accordance with State Finance Law 139-L, bidder has and has implemented (1)a written policy addressing sexual harassment prevention in the workplace;
- (2)Bidder provides annual sexual harassment prevention training to all of its employees;
- (3) Bidders sexual harassment policy, at a minimum, meets the requirements of section 201-G of the State Labor Law.

I hereby affirm under penalties of perjury that the foregoing statement is true.

Bidder:	A. Colarusso & Son, Inc.	
Ву:	Del Spred	
	David J LaSpada	
_	(Please type or print name)	
Title: _	Vice President	

Any bid made by a corporate bidder for work or services shall be deemed to have been authorized by the Board of Directors of the bidder, and such authorization shall be deemed to include the signing and submission of the bids and the inclusion therein of this certificate.

+ + END OF SECTION + +

PROHIBITION ON PURCHASE OF TROPICAL HARDWOODS CERTIFICATION

- A. Bidder hereby certifies and warrants that all wood products to be used under this Contract award will be in accordance with, but not limited to, the specifications and provisions of Section 165 of the State Finance Law, (Use of Tropical Hardwoods).
 - 1. Which prohibits purchase and use of tropical hardwoods, unless specifically exempted, by the State of any government agency or political subdivision or public benefit corporation.
 - 2. In addition, when any portion of this Contract involving the use of woods, whether supply or installation, is to be performed by any subcontractor, the prime Contractor certifies through the submitted bid proposal that any and all subcontractors have been informed and are in compliance with the specification's and provisions regarding use of tropical hardwoods as detailed in Section 165 of New York State Finance law.
- B. Qualifications for an exemption under this law will be the responsibility of the Bidder to establish to meet with the approval of the State. Otherwise, the bid may not be considered responsive. Upon executing this certification the Bidder acknowledges that proof of qualifications for exemption are the Bidder's responsibility to meet with the approval of the state.
- C. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, every contractor/ proposer submitting a bid in response to this request for bids must certify and affirm the following under penalties of perjury:
 - 1. "By submission of this Bid, each Bidder and each person signing on behalf of any Bidder certifies and in the case of a joint Bid, each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief, wood to be used under this contract award complies with New York State Finance Law Section 165".

FIRM:	A. Colarusso & Son, Inc.	
By:	Wil Shal	
Title:	David J LaSpada, Vice Presient	
(CORP	ORATE SEAL IF ANY)	

STATE OF New York) 22.		
COUNTY OF Columbia) SS:)		
On this 2md day of	of October , 2023, before me personally		
came and appeared David J LaSpada to me known and			
known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and			
acknowledged that he executed the same.			

END OF SECTION

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ASHLEY K ALLSOP
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01AL6335101
Qualified in Columbia County
Commission Expires December 28, 2023

BID BOND

Any singular reference to Bidder, Surety, Owner or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

BIDDER (Name and Address): A. Colarusso & Son, Inc. P.O. Box 302 Hudson New York 12534 SURETY (Name, and Address of Principal Place of Bus Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America One Tower Square Hartford, Connecticut 06183	riness):
OWNER (Name and Address): Town of Copake 230 Mountain View Road Copake, New York 12516	
BID Bid Due Date: October 2nd, 2023 Description (Project Name— Include Location): Too BOND Bond Number: N/A	wn of Copake, Copake Hamlet Streetscape and Par s, Contract No. 1 - Church Street Lot
Date: October 2nd, 2023 Penal sum Five Percent of Attack (Words)	
Surety and Bidder, intending to be legally bound hereby, cause this Bid Bond to be duly executed by an authorized BIDDER	
A. Colarusso & Son, Inc. (Seal) Bidder's Name and Corporate Seal	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America (Seal) Surety's Name and Corporate Seal
By: Vala Colorus Signature	By: Signature (Attach Power of Attorney)
Paul A. Colarusso Print Name	
President Title	Attorney-in-Fact Title
Attest: Muly Machine Signature	Witness: Signature
Michael Malchow, Secretary Title	Tiffany Gocha, Witness Title
Note: Addresses are to be used for giving any required	
Provide execution by any additional parties, such as join	ni veniurers, ij necessary.

- 1. Bidder and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns to pay to Owner upon default of Bidder the penal sum set forth on the face of this Bond. Payment of the penal sum is the extent of Bidder's and Surety's liability. Recovery of such penal sum under the terms of this Bond shall be Owner's sole and exclusive remedy upon default of Bidder.
- 2. Default of Bidder shall occur upon the failure of Bidder to deliver within the time required by the Bidding Documents (or any extension thereof agreed to in writing by Owner) the executed Agreement required by the Bidding Documents and any performance and payment bonds required by the Bidding Documents.
- 3. This obligation shall be null and void if:
 - 3.1 Owner accepts Bidder's Bid and Bidder delivers within the time required by the Bidding Documents (or any extension thereof agreed to in writing by Owner) the executed Agreement required by the Bidding Documents and any performance and payment bonds required by the Bidding Documents, or
 - 3.2 All Bids are rejected by Owner, or
 - 3.3 Owner fails to issue a Notice of Award to Bidder within the time specified in the Bidding Documents (or any extension thereof agreed to in writing by Bidder and, if applicable, consented to by Surety when required by Paragraph 5 hereof).
- 4. Payment under this Bond will be due and payable upon default of Bidder and within 30 calendar days after receipt by Bidder and Surety of written notice of default from Owner, which notice will be given with reasonable promptness, identifying this Bond and the Project and including a statement of the amount due.
- 5. Surety waives notice of any and all defenses based on or arising out of any time extension to issue Notice of Award agreed to in writing by Owner and Bidder, provided that the total time for issuing Notice of Award including extensions shall not in the aggregate exceed 120 days from the Bid due date without Surety's written consent.
- 6. No suit or action shall be commenced under this Bond prior to 30 calendar days after the notice of default required in Paragraph 4 above is received by Bidder and Surety and in no case later than one year after the Bid due date.
- 7. Any suit or action under this Bond shall be commenced only in a court of competent jurisdiction located in the state in which the Project is located.
- 8. Notices required hereunder shall be in writing and sent to Bidder and Surety at their respective addresses shown on the face of this Bond. Such notices may be sent by personal delivery, commercial courier, or by United States Registered or Certified Mail, return receipt requested, postage pre-paid, and shall be deemed to be effective upon receipt by the party concerned.
- 9. Surety shall cause to be attached to this Bond a current and effective Power of Attorney evidencing the authority of the officer, agent, or representative who executed this Bond on behalf of Surety to execute, seal, and deliver such Bond and bind the Surety thereby.
- 10. This Bond is intended to conform to all applicable statutory requirements. Any applicable requirement of any applicable statute that has been omitted from this Bond shall be deemed to be included herein as if set forth at length. If any provision of this Bond conflicts with any applicable statute, then the provision of said statute shall govern and the remainder of this Bond that is not in conflict therewith shall continue in full force and effect.
- 11. The term "Bid" as used herein includes a Bid, offer, or proposal as applicable.

INDIVIDUAL STATE OF_ COUNTY OF_ _ day of _ , before me personally appeared _____ to me known and known to me to be the individual in and who executed the foregoing instrument and ____ acknowledged to me that_ executed the same in his individual capacity. Notary Public COPARTNERSHIP STATE OF_ COUNTY OF_ _, before me personally appeared to me known and known to me to be one of the firm of described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and he/she thereupon acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same as and for the act and deed of said firm. Notary Public CORPORATE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ALBANY 2023 October On this day of ___ before me personally appeared Paul A. Colarusso to me known, who, being by me first duly sworn, did depose and say that he/she resides in Chatham, New York _____; that he/she is the President of A. Colarusso & Son, Inc. the corporation described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that he/she knows the corporate seal of said corporation; that the corporate seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order and authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation, and that he/she signed his/her name thereto by like order and authority. **TIFFANY GOCHA** Notary Public, State of New York Qualified in Saratoga County No. 01G06434469 Notary Public Commission Expires June 6, 2026 SURETY STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ALBANY I. Tiffany Gocha Notary Public of Saratoga County, in the State of New York __ do hereby certify that _Jaymie P. Columbus Attorney-in-Fact, of the Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person, and acknowledged that he/she signed, sealed and delivered said instrument, for and on behalf of the Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America _____ , for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal at my office in the City of Latham in said County, this 2nd day of October, A.D. 202

TIFFANY GOCHA
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Saratoga County
No. 01G06434469
Commission Expires June 6, 2026

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TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA

HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06183

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022

AS FILED IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK

CAPITAL STOCK \$ 6,480,000

ASSETS	LIABILITIES & SURPLUS
BONDS STOCKS CASH AND INVESTED CASH OTHER INVESTED ASSETS SECURITIES LENDING REINVESTED COLLATERAL ASSETS INVESTMENT INCOME DUE AND ACCRUED PREMIUM BALANCES REINSURANCE RECOVERABLE NET DEFERRED TAX ASSET CURRENT FEDERAL AND FOREIGN INCOME TAXES RECOVERABLE. GUARANTY FUNDS RECEIVABLE OR ON DEPOSIT RECEIVABLE FROM PARENTS, SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES OTHER ASSETS \$ 4,788,999 102,633 20,111 20,111 20,111 21,806 21,806 21	13
	CAPITAL STOCK \$ 6,480,000 PAID IN SURPLUS 433,803,760 OTHER SURPLUS 1,809,161,022 TOTAL SURPLUS TO POLICYHOLDERS \$ 2,249,444,782
TOTAL ASSETS \$ 5,440,13	89 TOTAL LIABILITIES & SURPLUS \$ 5,440,130,489

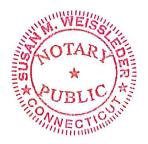
STATE OF CONNECTICUT)

COUNTY OF HARTFORD) SS.

CITY OF HARTFORD)

MICHAEL J. DOODY, BEING DULY SWORN, SAYS THAT HE IS VICE PRESIDENT – FINANCE, OF TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, AND THAT TO THE BEST OF HIS KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF SAID COMPANY AS OF THE 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 2022.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS 17TH DAY OF MARCH, 2023



NOTARY PUBLIC

SUSAN M. WEISSLEDER

Notary Public

My Commission Expires November 30, 2027

Michael Doody VICE PRESIDENT - FINANCE



Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America Travelers Casualty and Surety Company St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and that the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint Jaymie P. Columbus of LATHAM , New York , their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, recognizances, conditional undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed, and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this 21st day of April, 2021.

HARTTORD, ST. CONN.





State of Connecticut

City of Hartford ss.

On this the 21st day of April, 2021, before me personally appeared Robert L. Raney, who acknowledged himself to be the Senior Vice President of each of the Companies, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of said Companies by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

My Commission expires the 30th day of June, 2026



Anna P. Nowik, Notary Public

Robert L. Ranev. Senior Vice President

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of each of the Companies, which resolutions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents to act for and on behalf of the Company and may give such appointee such authority as his or her certificate of authority may prescribe to sign with the Company's name and seal with the Company's seal bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking, and any of said officers or the Board of Directors at any time may remove any such appointee and revoke the power given him or her; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing and a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Secretary; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any bond, recognizance, contract of indemnity, or writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking shall be valid and binding upon the Company when (a) signed by the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and duly attested and sealed with the Company's seal by a Secretary or Assistant Secretary; or (b) duly executed (under seal, if required) by one or more Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents pursuant to the power prescribed in his or her certificate or their certificates of authority or by one or more Company officers pursuant to a written delegation of authority; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signature of each of the following officers: President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, any Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Resident Vice Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries or Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by such facsimile signature and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding on the Company in the future with respect to any bond or understanding to which it is attached.

I, Kevin E. Hughes, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of each of the Companies, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which remains in full force and effect.

Dated this 2nd day of October





Kevin E. Hughes, Assistant Secretary