



Western Surety Company

POWER OF ATTORNEY

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

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SKAMANA CO. WASH
BY *Western Surety*

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G. Olsson
AUDITOR

GARY M. OLSON

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That the WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of South Dakota, and authorized and licensed to do business in the States of Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming and the United States of America, does hereby make, constitute and appoint

Stephen T. Pate

of Sioux Falls

State of South Dakota, its regularly elected President, as Attorney in Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred upon him to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver for and on its behalf as Surety and as its act and deed, all of the following classes of documents to-wit:

Indemnity, Surety and Undertakings that may be desired by contract, or may be given in any action or proceeding in any court of law or equity, policies indemnifying employers against loss or damage caused by the misconduct of their employees, official, bail and surety and fidelity bonds, in all cases where indemnity may be lawfully given, and with full power and authority to execute consents and exchange or extend any bond or document executed for this Company, and to compromise and settle any and all claims or existing against said Company.

The said Company further certifies that the following is a true and exact copy of Section 7 of the By-laws of the Western Surety Company, duly adopted and now in force, to-wit:

Section 7: "All bonds, policies, undertakings or other obligations of the corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of the Company, by the Chairman of the Board, President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize. The Chairman of the Board, President, any Vice President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint Attorneys in Fact or Agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies, or undertakings in the name of the Company. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings, or other obligations of the corporation — the signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by facsimile."

In Witness Whereof, the said WESTERN SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be executed by its

Vice President

with the corporate seal affixed this 25th day of August, 1995

ATTEST

J. Mohr

J. Mohr

Assistant Secretary

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

By

Paul T. Bruflat
Paul T. Bruflat, Vice President

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA

day of AUGUST, 1995 before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared

and Paul T. Bruflat

who, being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that they signed the above Power of Attorney as Vice President and Assistant Secretary, respectively, of the said WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said Corporation.

My Commission expires

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Notary Public

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