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SENT VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS
Elizabeth A. Rolando
Chief Clerk
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION
527 East Capital Avenue
Springfield, IL 62701

Re: ABC Application Supplement – National Utility Service, Inc. (Case #09-471)

Dear Ms. Rolando:

Per the Notice of Administrative Law Judge's Ruling dated November 4, 2009, please find enclosed the ***original*** surety/permit bond in connection with the above referenced application.

I trust the enclosed documentation meets the requirements of the Judge's ruling and should you have any questions and/or comments, please contact me at (201) 391-4300 extension 105 or via email at dbrown@nusconsulting.com.

Thank you.

Regards,

David M. Brown
Vice President

/db
Encl.

CC: Stephen Yoder, Administrative Law Judge (w/o enclosure Sent via 1st Class Mail)
Steve Hickey (w/o enclosure Sent via 1st Class Mail)

VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEW JERSEY)
COUNTY OF BERGEN)

David M. Brown, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Vice President of National Utility Service d/b/a NUS Consulting Group ("**NUS**"); that the all information contained within his letter to Elizabeth A. Rolando, Chief Clerk of the Illinois Commerce Commission dated November 5, 2009 and the attachments thereof are true, correct and complete to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

DAVID M BROWN
[Name of person verifying application]

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 5th day of November, 2009.

Paul L Dugandzic
Notary Public

Paul L. Dugandzic
Notary Public
State of New Jersey
Commission # 2375379
Commission Exp: 07/07/13

License or Permit Bond

License or Permit Bond No 4-008-621

The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company
1600 Boston-Providence Highway
Walpole, MA 02081

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, **National Utility Service, Inc.,** as Principal, and **The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company** an **Ohio** Corporation, and authorized to do business in Illinois, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS as Obligee, in the sum of FIVE THOUSAND AND NO/100 Dollars ($5,000.00), for which sum, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, by these presents.

THE CONDITIONS OF THIS OBLIGATION ARE SUCH, That WHEREAS, the Principal has been or is about to be granted a license or permit to do business to operate as an ABC (Agent, Broker, or Consultant) under 220 ILCS 5/16-115C and is required to execute this bond under 83 Illinois Administrative Code Part 454.80 by the Obligee.

NOW, Therefore, if the Principal fully and faithfully perform all duties and obligations of the Principal as an ABC, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

This bond may be terminated as to future acts of the Principal upon thirty (30) days written notice by the Surety; said notice to be sent to 527 East Capitol Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62701, of the aforesaid State of Illinois, by certified mail.

Dated this 23rd day of October, 2009

National Utility Service, Inc. Principal

by: Avel Fredd Exec VP
[name] [title]

The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company Surety

by: Anne M. Higginbottom
Anne M. Higginbottom, Attorney-in-Fact

Revised 10/02/09

CERTIFIED COPY OF POWER OF ATTORNEY
THE OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY
WEST AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY

No. 37-735

Know All Men by These Presents: That THE OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, an Ohio Corporation, and WEST AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, an Indiana Corporation, in pursuance of authority granted by Article VI, Section 7 of the By-Laws of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company and Article VI, Section 1 of West American Insurance Company, do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint **William L. Labbe, Barry J. Horgan or Anne M. Higginbottom of Fall River, Massachusetts** 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 **TEN MILLION ($10,000,000.00) 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 Companies, 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 Companies at their administrative offices 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 and West American Insurance Company has hereunto subscribed his name and affixed the Corporate Seal of each Company this **20th day of July, 2004.**

SEAL SEAL

Sam Lawrence
Sam Lawrence, Assistant Secretary

STATE OF OHIO,
COUNTY OF BUTLER

On this **20th day of July, 2004** before the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Ohio, in and for the County of Butler, duly commissioned and qualified, came Sam Lawrence, Assistant Secretary of THE OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY and WEST AMERICAN 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 Companies aforesaid, and that the seals affixed to the preceding instrument are the Corporate Seals of said Companies, and the said Corporate Seals and his signature as officer were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority and direction of the said Corporations.

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 6, 2007.**

This power of attorney is granted under and by authority of Article VI, Section 7 of the By-Laws of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company and Article VI, Section I of West American Insurance Company, extracts from which read:

Article VI, Section 7. APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEYS-IN-FACT, ETC. "The chairman of the board, the president, any vice-president, the secretary or any assistant secretary of each of these Companies 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 Companies 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."

Article VI, Section 1. APPOINTMENT OF RESIDENT OFFICERS. "The Chairman of the Board, the President, any Vice President, a 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 corporation as surety or guarantor, and to execute, attach the corporate seal, acknowledge and deliver any and all bonds, recognizances, stipulations, undertakings or other instruments of surety-ship or guarantee, and policies of insurance to be given in favor of an individual, firm, corporation, or the official representative thereof, or to any county or state, or any official board or boards of any 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 respective directors of the Companies (adopted May 27, 1970-The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company; adopted April 24, 1980-West American Insurance Company):
"RESOLVED that the signature of any officer of the Company authorized by 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 and West American Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the foregoing power of attorney, the referenced By-Laws of the Companies and the above Resolution of their Boards 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 seals of the Companies this **23rd** day of **October, 2009**

SEAL SEAL

Assistant Secretary

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