



**SURETY RIDER**  
 Old Republic Surety Company  
 PO BOX 1635  
 Milwaukee, WI 53201-1635

TO BE ATTACHED TO AND FORM PART OF

**Consultant**

Bond Number

W150047484

(Type of bond)

IN FAVOR OF

State of Illinois

(Obligee)

ON BEHALF OF

Energy Edge Consulting, LLC

(Principal)

EFFECTIVE

January 29, 2010

(Original Effective Date)

IT IS AGREED THAT, in consideration of the original premium charged for this bond, and any additional premium that may be properly chargeable as a result of this rider,

1. The Surety hereby gives its consent to:

INCREASE

CHANGE THE NAME OF THE PRINCIPAL

DECREASE

CHANGE THE ADDRESS OF THE PRINCIPAL

CHANGE THE EFFECTIVE DATE

CHANGE THE EXPIRATION DATE

OTHER

Name change of Obligee

(of) the above referenced bond FROM:

The State of Illinois of Chicago, IL

TO:

The People of the State of Illinois

EFFECTIVE: April 27, 2010

2. PROVIDED, however, that this bond shall be subject to all of its agreements, limitations, and considerations except as herein expressly modified, and that the liability of the Surety under this bond and under this bond as changed by this rider shall not be cumulative.

3. Signed and sealed this 27th day of April, 2010.

ACCEPTED BY:

Old Republic Surety Company

SURETY

By:

*Susan R Pool*

Susan R Pool

ATTORNEY-IN-FACT





**OLD REPUBLIC**  
Surety Company

**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a Wisconsin stock insurance corporation, does make, constitute and appoint:  
Susan R Pool Of Mesquite, TX

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power and authority, not exceeding \$10,000,000, for and on behalf of the company as surety, to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company thereto (if a seal is required), bonds, undertakings, recognizances or other written obligations in the nature thereof, (other than ball bonds, bank depository bonds, mortgage deficiency bonds, mortgage guaranty bonds, guarantees of installment paper and note guaranty bonds, self-insurance workers compensation bonds guaranteeing payment of benefits, asbestos abatement contract bonds, waste management bonds, hazardous waste remediation bonds or black lung bonds), as follows: Effective Date: 4/27/2010 12:00:00 AM

Bond Number: W150047484 Bond Amount: Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00)

Principal Name: Energy Edge Consulting, LLC

Obligee Name: State of Illinois of Chicago, IL

and to bind OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY thereby, and all of the acts of said Attorneys-in-Fact, pursuant to these presents, are ratified and confirmed. This appointment is made under and by authority of the board of directors at a special meeting held on February 18, 1982.

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the board of directors of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY on February 18, 1982.

RESOLVED that the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, in conjunction with the secretary or any assistant secretary, may appoint attorneys-in-fact or agents with authority as defined or limited in the instrument evidencing the appointment in each case, for and on behalf of the company to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company to bonds, undertakings, recognizances, and suretyship obligations of all kinds; and said officers may remove any such attorney-in-fact or agent and revoke any Power of Attorney previously granted to such person.

RESOLVED FURTHER that any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or suretyship obligation shall be valid and binding upon the Company

- (i) when signed by the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, and attested and sealed (if a seal be required) by any secretary or assistant secretary; or
- (ii) when signed by the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, secretary or assistant secretary, and countersigned and sealed (if a seal be required) by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact or agent; or
- (iii) when duly executed and sealed (if a seal be required) by one or more attorneys-in-fact or agents pursuant to and within the limits of the authority evidenced by the Power of Attorney issued by the company to such person or persons.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the company; and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its proper officer, and its corporate seal to be affixed this 29th day of January, 2010

\_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant Secretary



OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Gerald C. Leach

STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY OF WAUKESHA - SS

On this 29th day of January, 2010, personally came before me, Gerald C. Leach and Rick A. Johnson, to me known to be the individuals and officers of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY who executed the above instrument, and they each acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn, did severally depose and say: that they are the said officers of the corporation aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the above instrument is the seal of the corporation, and that said corporate seal and their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority of the board of directors of said corporation.



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Sharon A. Pizer  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: 12/2/2012 12:00:00 AM

**CERTIFICATE**

I, the undersigned, assistant secretary of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a Wisconsin corporation, CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Power of Attorney remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore, that the Resolutions of the board of directors set forth in the Power of Attorney, are now in force.

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Signed and sealed at the City of Brookfield, WI this 27th day of April, 2010

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Phyllis M. Johnson  
Assistant Secretary



# Old Republic Surety Company

BOND NO. W150047484

## LICENSE BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we Energy Edge Consulting, LLC  
P.O. Box 70528 Houston, TX 77270

as Principal, and Old Republic Surety Company organized under the laws of the state of  
Wisconsin, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto  
State of Illinois of Chicago, IL

as Oblige in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00),  
lawful money of the United States, for which payment, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators,  
successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly, by these presents.

WHEREAS, the said Principal has applied to said Oblige for a license to or permit as a  
Consultant

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That if the said Principal shall indemnify said Oblige against  
all loss which the Oblige may be subject by reason of said Principal's non-compliance caused by said Principal's breach of any ordinance,  
rule or regulation relating thereto, then the above obligation shall be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect.

This obligation may be canceled by said Surety by giving thirty (30) days notice in writing of its intention to do so to said Oblige;  
and provided further, that nothing herein shall affect any rights or liabilities which shall have accrued under this bond prior to the date  
of termination; and the said Surety shall be relieved of any further liability under this bond thirty (30) days after receipt of said notice  
by the said Oblige.

The term of this bond is for a period commencing January 29, 2010  
and terminating January 29, 2011 provided, however, this bond may  
be continued from year to year by continuation certificate executed by said Surety.

Signed, sealed and dated the 29th day of January, 2010.

Energy Edge Consulting, LLC Principal  
By [Signature]



Old Republic Surety Company  
By [Signature] Susan R Pool Attorney-in-fact



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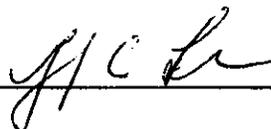
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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 12/2/2012 12:00:00 AM

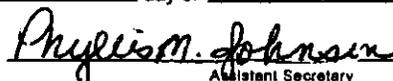
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Signed and sealed at the City of Brookfield, WI this 29th day of January, 2010

  
Assistant Secretary

**PLEASE INSERT IN THE POWER-OF-ATTORNEY SECTION OF YOUR BOND KIT  
(INDIVIDUAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT)**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
 ) SS  
 COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

On the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, before me, a Notary Public within and for said county, personally appeared, \_\_\_\_\_ to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, as Principal, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

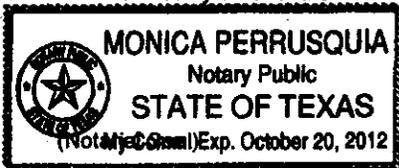
Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_  
 My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_

(Notarial Seal)

**CORPORATE ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

STATE OF Texas )  
 ) SS  
 COUNTY OF Dallas )

On the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010, before me, personally appeared Brian Walker to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he resides in Dallas, TX, that he is the \_\_\_\_\_ President of the Energy Edge Consulting, LLC the corporation described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order of the Board of Directors of said corporation; and that he signed his name thereto by like order.



[Signature]  
 Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_ County Dallas  
 My Commission Expires October 20, 2012

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORPORATE SURETY**

STATE OF Texas )  
 ) SS  
 COUNTY OF Dallas )

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, \_\_\_\_\_, before me appeared Susan R. Pool to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, did say that he is the aforesaid officer or attorney in fact of the Old Republic Surety Company, a corporation; that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation, and that said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of said corporation by the aforesaid officer, by authority of its Board of Directors; and the aforesaid officer acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation.



Betty Aline Gonzalez  
 Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_ County Dallas  
 My Commission Expires 5-5-2011

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Most Bonds Filed In Illinois Require The Signature Of The Principal To Be Acknowledged By A Notary Public. Also, The Signature Of The Attorney-In-Fact Should Be Acknowledged By A Notary Public. On The Bond Form Itself There Should Be Two Witnesses To The Signature Of The Principal And Two Witnesses To The Attorney-In-Fact.