

**Attachment A – Bond Submission April 22, 2013**

**Ethical Electric Benefit Co.**



April 22, 2013

Chief Clerk  
Illinois Commerce Commission  
527 East Capitol Ave.  
Springfield, IL 62701

**Re: Ethical Electric Benefit Co. Surety Bond, Docket No. 13-0302**

Dear Clerk,

Enclosed please find one original and four copies of the fully executed surety bond in support of Ethical Electric Benefit Co. d/b/a Ethical Electric d/b/a Clean Energy Option's Alternative Retail Electric Provider application filed April 19, 2013 under Docket No. 13-0302.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Matzzie  
President & CEO  
Ethical Electric Benefit Co.  
2 Wisconsin Circle, Suite 700  
Chevy Chase, MD 20815  
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License or Permit Bond

License or Permit Bond No: 41193642  
Platte River Insurance Company  
115 Glastonbury Blvd, Ste. 5  
Glastonbury, CT 06033

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, **Ethical Electric Benefit Company** as Principal, and **Platte River Insurance Company**, a **Nebraska** 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 **Three Hundred THOUSAND AND NO/100 Dollars (\$300,000.00)**, for which sum, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, by these presents. "The aggregate liability of the surety is limited to the foregoing sum, which sum shall be reduced by any payment made in good faith hereunder".

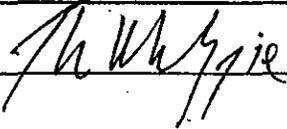
THE CONDITIONS OF THIS OBLIGATION ARE SUCH, That WHEREAS, the Principal has been or is about to be granted a license or permit to do business to operate as an ARES (Alternative Retail Electric Supplier) under 220 ILCS 5/16-115 and is required to execute this bond under 83 Illinois Administrative Code Part 451.50 by the Obligee.

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

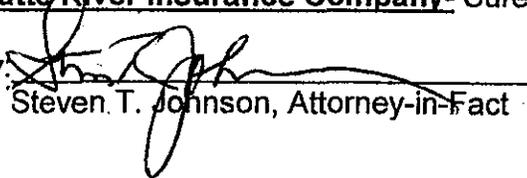
This bond may be terminated as to future acts of the Principal upon thirty (30) days written notice by the Surety; said notice to be sent to 527 East Capitol Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62701, of the aforesaid State of Illinois, by certified mail.

Dated this 11th day of February, 2013

**Ethical Electric Benefit Company- Principal**

By: 

**Platte River Insurance Company- Surety**

By:   
Steven T. Johnson, Attorney-in-Fact



PLATTE RIVER INSURANCE COMPANY  
POWER OF ATTORNEY

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That the PLATTE RIVER INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation of the State of Nebraska, having its principal offices in the City of Middleton, Wisconsin, does make, constitute and appoint

LEONARD CALLAHAN; JAMES JONES; STEVEN JOHNSON

its true and lawful 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 contracts of suretyship, provided that no bond or undertaking or contract of suretyship executed under this authority shall exceed in amount the sum of

ALL WRITTEN INSTRUMENTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED: \$20,000,000.00

This Power of Attorney is granted and is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of PLATTE RIVER INSURANCE COMPANY at a meeting duly called and held on the 8th day of January, 2002.

"RESOLVED, that the President, and Vice-President, the Secretary or Treasurer, acting individually or otherwise, be and they hereby are granted the power and authorization to appoint by a Power of Attorney for the purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, one or more vice-presidents, assistant secretaries and attorney(s)-in-fact, each appointee to have the powers and duties usual to such offices to the business of the Corporation; the signature of such officers and the seal of the Corporation may be affixed to such power of attorney or to any certificate relating thereto by facsimile, and any such power of attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Corporation in the future with respect to any bond or undertaking or other writing obligatory in the nature thereof to which it is attached. Any such appointment may be revoked, for cause, or without cause, by any of said officers, at any time."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the PLATTE RIVER INSURANCE COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its officer undersigned and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed duly attested, this 2nd day of May, 2011.

Attest:

*Richard W. Allen III*  
Richard W. Allen III  
President  
Surety & Fidelity Operations



PLATTE RIVER INSURANCE COMPANY  
*David F. Pauly*  
David F. Pauly  
CEO & President

STATE OF WISCONSIN }  
COUNTY OF DANE } s.s.:

On the 2nd day of May, 2011 before me personally came David F. Pauly, to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the County of Dane, State of Wisconsin; that he is President of PLATTE RIVER INSURANCE COMPANY, the corporation described herein and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of the 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.



*Daniel W. Krueger*  
Daniel W. Krueger  
Notary Public, Dane Co., WI  
My Commission Is Permanent

STATE OF WISCONSIN }  
COUNTY OF DANE } s.s.:

I, the undersigned, duly elected to the office stated below, now the incumbent in PLATTE RIVER INSURANCE COMPANY, a Nebraska Corporation, authorized to make this certificate, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing attached Power of Attorney remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore, that the Resolution of the Board of Directors, set forth in the Power of Attorney is now in force.

Signed and sealed at the City of Middleton, State of Wisconsin this 14th day of February, 2013.



*Alan S. Ogilvie*  
Alan S. Ogilvie  
Secretary

THIS DOCUMENT IS NOT VALID UNLESS PRINTED ON GREEN SHADED BACKGROUND WITH A RED SERIAL NUMBER IN THE UPPER RIGHT HAND CORNER. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AUTHENTICITY OF THIS DOCUMENT CALL 800-475-4450.