AGREEMENT FORM

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into this 29th day of April, 2020 in the County of Orange of the State of California, by and between the Newport Mesa Unified School District, hereinafter called the "District", and Animal Pest Management Services, Inc., hereinafter called the "Contractor".

WITNESSETH that the District and the Contractor for the consideration stated herein agree as follows:

SCOPE OF WORK: The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, equipment, tools, and utility and transportation services, and perform and complete all work required in connection with Bid # 103-20 Pest Control Fumigation Services ("Project") in strict accordance with the Contract Documents enumerated in Article 7 below. The Contractor shall be liable to the District for any damages arising as a result of a failure to comply with that obligation, and the Contractor shall not be excused with respect to any failure to so comply by an act or omission of the Architect, Engineer, Inspector, Division of the State Architect (DSA), or representative of any of them, unless such act or omission actually prevents the Contractor from fully complying with the Contract Documents and the Contractor protests, in accordance with the Contract Documents, that the act or omission is preventing the Contractor from fully complying with the Contract Documents. Such protest shall not be effective unless reduced to writing and filed with the District office within seven (7) days of the date of occurrence of such act or omission preventing the Contractor from fully complying with the Contract Documents.

TIME OF COMPLETION: The District may give notice to proceed within ninety (90) days of the award of the bid by the District. Once the Contractor has received a notice to proceed, the Contractor shall reach Substantial Completion (See Article 1.1.46) of the Work within Thirty (30) calendar days from receipt of the Notice to Proceed. This shall be called Contract Time. (See Article 8.1.1). It is expressly understood that time is of the essence.

Contractor has thoroughly studied the Project and has satisfied itself that the time period for this Project was adequate for the timely and proper completion of the Project within each milestone and within the Contract time. Further, Contractor has included in the analysis of the time required for this Project, items set forth in General Conditions Article 8.3.2.1, Submittal Schedules, Rain Day Float, and Governmental Delay Float.

In the event that the District desires to postpone giving the notice to proceed beyond this ninety (90) day period, it is expressly understood that with reasonable notice to the Contractor, giving the notice to proceed may be postponed by the District. It is further expressly understood by the Contractor, that the Contractor shall not be entitled to any claim of additional compensation as a result of the District’s postponement of giving the notice to proceed.

If the Contractor believes that a postponement will cause hardship to it, the Contractor may terminate the Contract with written notice to the District within ten (10) days after receipt by the Contractor of the District’s notice of postponement. It is further understood by the Contractor that in the event that the Contractor terminates the Contract as a result of postponement by the District, the District shall only be obligated to pay the Contractor for the work performed by the Contractor at the time of notification of postponement. Should the Contractor terminate the Contract as a result of a notice of postponement, the District shall have the authority to award the Contract to the next lowest responsible bidder.
LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: It being impracticable and infeasible to determine the amount of actual damage, it is agreed that the Contractor will pay the District the sum of Two Hundred ($200.00) per calendar day for each and every day of delay beyond the Contract Time set forth in Article 2 of this Agreement (inclusive of Milestones that are critical on the critical path or noted as critical to the District) as liquidated damages and not as a penalty or forfeiture. In the event Liquidated Damages are not paid, the Contractor further agrees that the District may deduct such amount thereof from any money due or that may become due the Contractor under the Contract (See Article 9.6 and 2.2 of the General Conditions).

CONTRACT PRICE: The District shall pay to the Contractor as full consideration for the faithful performance of the Contract, subject to any additions or deductions as provided in the Contract Documents, the sum of One Hundred Eight Thousand, Eight Hundred Ninety Dollars and Twenty-Five Cents DOLLARS ($108,890.25), said sum being the total amount stipulated in the Bid Contractor submitted. Payment shall be made as set forth in the General Conditions.

Should any Change Order result in an increase in the Contract Price, the cost of such Change Order shall be agreed to in advance by the Contractor and the District, subject to the monetary limitations set forth in Public Contract Code section 20118.4. In the event that the Contractor proceeds with a Change in work without an agreement between the District and Contractor regarding the cost of a Change Order, the Contractor waives any Claim of additional compensation for such additional work.

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT: Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless District, Architect, Inspector, the State of California and their officers, employees, agents and independent contractors from all liabilities, claims, actions, liens, judgments, demands, damages, losses, costs or expenses of any kind arising from death, personal injury, property damage or other cause based or asserted upon any act, omission, or breach connected with or arising from the progress of Work or performance of service under this Agreement or the Contract Documents. As part of this indemnity, Contractor shall protect and defend, at its own expense, District, Architect, Construction Manager, Inspector, the State of California and their officers, employees, agents and independent contractors from any legal action including attorney's fees or other proceeding based upon such act, omission, breach or as otherwise required by this Article.

Furthermore, Contractor agrees to and does hereby defend, indemnify and hold harmless District, Architect, Construction Manager, Inspector, the State of California and their officers, employees, agents and independent contractors from every claim or demand made, and every liability, loss, damage, expense or attorney's fees of any nature whatsoever, which may be incurred by reason of:

Liability for (1) death or bodily injury to persons; (2) damage or injury to, loss (including theft), or loss of use of, any property; (3) any failure or alleged failure to comply with any provision of law or the Contract Documents; or (4) any other loss, damage or expense, sustained by any person, firm or corporation in connection with the Work called for in this Agreement or the Contract Documents, except for liability resulting from the sole or active negligence, or the willful misconduct of the District.

Any bodily injury to or death of persons or damage to property caused by any act, omission or breach of Contractor or any person, firm or corporation employed by Contractor, either directly or by independent contract, including all damages or injury to or death of persons, loss (including theft) or loss of use of any property, sustained by any person, firm or corporation, including the District, arising out of or in any way connected with Work covered by this Agreement or the Contract Documents, whether said injury or damage occurs either on or off District property, but not for any loss, injury, death or damages caused by the sole or active negligence or willful misconduct of the District.
Any dispute between Contractor and Contractor’s subcontractors/suppliers/ Sureties, including, but not limited to, any failure or alleged failure of the Contractor (or any person hired or employed directly or indirectly by the Contractor) to pay any Subcontractor or Materialman of any tier or any other person employed in connection with the Work and/or filing of any stop notice or mechanic’s lien claims.

Any claims, allegations, penalties, assessments, or liabilities to the extent caused by the Contractor’s failure or the failure of any Subcontractor of any tier, to fully comply with the DIR registration requirements under Labor Code section 1725.5 at all times during the performance of any Work on the Project and shall reimburse the District for any penalties assessed against the District arising from any failure by the Contractor or any Subcontractor of any tier from complying with Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1. Nothing in this paragraph, however, shall require the Contractor or any Subcontractor to be liable to the District or indemnify the District for any penalties caused by the District in accordance with Labor Code section 1773.3 (g).

Contractor, at its own expense, cost, and risk, shall defend any and all claims, actions, suits, or other proceedings that may be brought or instituted against the District, its officers, agents or employees, on account of or founded upon any cause, damage, or injury identified herein Article 5 and shall pay or satisfy any judgment that may be rendered against the District, its officers, agents or employees in any action, suit or other proceedings as a result thereof.

The Contractor’s and Subcontractors’ obligation to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Owner, Architect, Inspector, the State of California and their officers, employees, agents and independent contractors hereunder shall include, without limitation, any and all claims, damages, and costs for the following: (1) any damages or injury to or death of any person, and damage or injury to, loss (including theft), or loss of use of, any property; (2) breach of any warranty, express or implied; (3) failure of the Contractor or Subcontractors to comply with any applicable governmental law, rule, regulation, or other requirement; (4) products installed in or used in connection with the Work; and (5) any claims of violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”).

**PROVISIONS REQUIRED BY LAW:** Each and every provision of law and clause required to be inserted in this Contract shall be deemed to be inserted herein, and this Contract shall be read and enforced as though it were included herein, and if through mistake or otherwise any such provision is not inserted or is not inserted correctly, then upon application of either party the Contract shall forthwith be physically amended to make such insertion or correction.

**COMPONENT PARTS OF THE CONTRACT:** The Contract entered into by this Agreement consists of the following Contract Documents, all of which are component parts of the Contract as if herein set out in full or attached hereto.

Notice Inviting Bids
Instructions to Bidders
Designation of Subcontractors
Non-Collusion Declaration
Bid Guarantee Form
Bid Bond
Bid Form
Contractor’s Certificate Regarding Worker’s Compensation
Acknowledgment of Bidding Practices Regarding Indemnity
DVBE Participation Statement and Close-Out Forms
Agreement Form

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Guarantee
Escrow Agreement for Security Deposit In Lieu of Retention
Workers' Compensation/Employers Liability Endorsement
General Liability Endorsement
Automobile Liability Endorsement
Contractor's Certificate Regarding Drug-Free Workplace
Contractor's Certificate Regarding Alcohol and Tobacco
Contractor's Certificate Regarding Background Checks
General Conditions
Supplementary and Special Conditions
Specifications
All Addenda as Issued
Drawings/Plans
Substitution Request Form
Requirements, Reports and/or Documents in the Project Manual or Other Documents Issued to Bidders

All of the above named Contract Documents are intended to be complementary. Work required by one of the above named Contract Documents and not by others shall be done as if required by all.

PREVAILING WAGES: Wage rates for this Project shall be in accordance with the general prevailing rate of holiday and overtime work in the locality in which the work is to be performed for each craft, classification, or type of work needed to execute the Contract as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations. Copies of schedules of rates so determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations are on file at the administrative office of the District and are also available from the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations. Monitoring and enforcement of the prevailing wage laws and related requirements will be performed by the Labor Commissioner/Department of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE).

The following are hereby referenced and made a part of this Agreement and Contractor stipulates to the provisions contained therein.

Chapter 1 of Part 7 of Division 2 of the Labor Code (Section 1720 et seq.)

California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Chapter 8, Subchapters 3 through 6 (Section 16000 et seq.)

RECORD AUDIT: In accordance with Government Code section 8546.7 (and Davis Bacon, if applicable) and Article 13.11 of the General Conditions, records of both the District and the Contractor shall be subject to examination and audit for a period of five (5) years after a Final Retention Payment or the Recording of a Notice of Completion, whichever occurs first.

CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE: The Contractor must possess throughout the Project a Pest Control Board Applicator/Operator/Company Registration License, issued by the State of California, which must be current and in good standing.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been duly executed by the above named parties, on the day and year first above written.

Newport Mesa Unified District
By: [Signature]

By: Jonathan Geiszler
Director, Purchasing & Warehouse

Dated: 5/8/2000

CONTRACTOR:

Richard J. Duffy
Typed or Printed Name

Chief Operating Officer
Title

Signature

Dan Fox
Type or Printed Name

President
Title (Authorized Officers or Agents)

Signature

(CORPORATE SEAL)
PAYMENT BOND
(CALIFORNIA PUBLIC WORK)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WHEREAS, the NEWPORT MESA UNIFIED DISTRICT (sometimes referred to hereinafter as "Obligee") has awarded to Animal Pest Management Services, Inc. (hereinafter designated as the "Principal" or "Contractor"), an agreement for the work described as follows: Pest Control Fumigation Services-Bid (hereinafter referred to as the "Public Work"); and No. 103-20

WHEREAS, said Contractor is required to furnish a bond in connection with said Contract, and pursuant to California Civil Code section 9550;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Animal Pest Management Services, Inc., the undersigned Contractor, as Principal; and Berkeley Insurance Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and duly authorized to transact business under the laws of the State of California, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the NEWPORT MESA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT and to any and all persons, companies, or corporations entitled by law to file stop notices under California Civil Code section 9100, or any person, company, or corporation entitled to make a claim on this bond, in the sum of One Hundred Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety and 25/100 Dollars ($108,890.25--), such sum being not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount payable by said Obligee under the terms of said Contract, for which payment will and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if said Principal, its heirs, executors, administrators, successors, or assigns, or subcontractor, shall fail to pay any person or persons named in Civil Code section 9100; or fail to pay for any materials, provisions, or other supplies, used in, upon, for, or about the performance of the work contracted to be done, or for any work or labor thereon of any kind, or for any amounts due under the Unemployment Insurance Code, with respect to work or labor thereon of any kind; or shall fail to deduct, withhold, and pay over to the Employment Development Department, any amounts required to be deducted, withheld, and paid over by Unemployment Insurance Code section 13020 with respect to work and labor thereon of any kind, then said Surety will pay for the same, in an amount not exceeding the amount herein above set forth, and in the event suit is brought upon this bond, also will pay such reasonable attorneys' fees as shall be fixed by the court, awarded and taxed as provided in California Civil Code section 9550 et seq.

This bond shall inure to the benefit of any person named in Civil Code section 9100 giving such person or his/her assigns a right of action in any suit brought upon this bond.

It is further stipulated and agreed that the Surety of this bond shall not be exonerated or released from the obligation of the bond by any change, extension of time for performance, addition, alteration or modification in, to, or of any contract, plans, or specifications, or agreement pertaining or relating to any scheme or work of improvement herein above described; or pertaining or relating to the furnishing of labor, materials, or equipment therefor; nor by any change or modification of any terms of payment or extension of time for payment pertaining or relating to any scheme or work of improvement herein above described;
nor by any rescission or attempted rescission of the contract, agreement or bond; nor by any conditions precedent or subsequent in the bond attempting to limit the right of recovery of claimants otherwise entitled to recover under any such contract or agreement or under the bond; nor by any fraud practiced by any person other than the claimant seeking to recover on the bond; and that this bond be construed most strongly against the Surety and in favor of all persons for whose benefit such bond is given; and under no circumstances shall the Surety be released from liability to those for whose benefit such bond has been given, by reason of any breach of contract between the Obligee and the Contractor or on the part of any obligee named in such bond; that the sole condition of recovery shall be that the claimant is a person described in California Civil Code section 9100, and who has not been paid the full amount of his or her claim; and that the Surety does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, addition, alteration or modification herein mentioned.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF this instrument has been duly executed by the Principal and Surety above named, on the ___12th___ day of ___May___, 2020.

PRINCIPAL/CONTRACTOR:

Animal Pest Management Services, Inc.

By: ____________________________

SURETY:

Berkley Insurance Company

By: ____________________________

Victoria M. Riedl, Attorney-in-Fact
IMPORTANT: THIS IS A REQUIRED FORM.

Surety companies executing bonds must possess a certificate of authority from the California Insurance Commissioner authorizing them to write surety insurance defined in California Insurance Code section 105, and if the work or project is financed, in whole or in part, with federal, grant or loan funds, Surety's name must also appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended).

Any claims under this bond may be addressed to:
(Name and Address of Surety)

Berkley Surety Group
412 Mount Kemble Ave., Suite 310N
Morristown, NJ 07960
Attention: Surety Claims Department
Telephone: (866) 769-3534

(Name and Address of agent or representative for service for service of process in California)

Acrisure of California, LLC dba Brakke Schafnitz Insurance Brokers, LLC
28202 Cabot Rd., 6th floor, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677
Attention: Surety Department
Telephone: 949-365-5100

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF

On ________________, before me, ________________________, personally appeared ________________________, who proved on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies) as the Attorney-in-Fact of ________________________ (Surety) and acknowledged to me that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary Public in and for said State

Commission expires: ________________________

NOTE: A copy of the power-of-attorney to local representatives of the bonding company must be attached hereto.

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PERFORMANCE BOND
(CALIFORNIA PUBLIC WORK)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WHEREAS, the NEWPORT MESA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (sometimes referred to hereinafter as "Obligee") has awarded to Animal Pest Management Services, Inc. (hereinafter designated as the "Principal" or "Contractor"), an agreement for the work described as follows:
Pest Control Fumigation Services (hereinafter referred to as the "Public Work"); and Bid No. 103-20
WHEREAS, the work to be performed by the Contractor is more particularly set forth in that certain contract for said Public Work dated April 29th, 2020 (hereinafter referred to as the "Contract"), which Contract is incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is required by said Contract to perform the terms thereof and to provide a bond both for the performance and guaranty thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, Animal Pest Management Services, Inc., the undersigned Contractor, as Principal, and Berkeley Insurance Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and duly authorized to transact business under the laws of the State of California, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the NEWPORT MESA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT in the sum of One Hundred Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety and 25/100 Dollars ($108,890.25--), said sum being not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount payable by said Obligee under the terms of said Contract, for which amount well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH THAT, if the bounded Contractor, his or her heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns, shall in all things stand to and abide by, and well and truly keep and perform the covenants, conditions, and agreements in said Contract and any alteration thereof made as therein provided, on his or her part, to be kept and performed at the time and in the manner therein specified, and in all respects according to their intent and meaning; and shall faithfully fulfill guarantees of all materials and workmanship; and indemnify, defend and save harmless the Obligee, its officers and agents, as stipulated in said Contract, then this obligation shall become null and void; otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and effect.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that it shall not be exonerated or released from the obligation of this bond (either by total exoneration or pro tanto) by any change, extension of time, alteration in or addition to the terms of the contract or to the work to be performed there under or the specifications accompanying the same, nor by any change or modification to any terms of payment or extension of time for any payment pertaining or relating to any scheme of work of improvement under the contract. Surety also stipulates and agrees that it shall not be exonerated or released from the obligation of this bond (either by total exoneration or pro tanto) by any overpayment or underpayment by the Obligee that is based upon estimates approved by the Architect. The Surety stipulates and agrees that none of the aforementioned changes, modifications, alterations, additions, extension of time or actions shall in any way affect its obligation on this bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such changes, modifications,
alterations, additions or extension of time to the terms of the contract, or to the work, or the specifications as well notice of any other actions that result in the foregoing.

Whenever Principal shall be, and is declared by the Obligee to be, in default under the Contract, the Surety shall promptly either remedy the default, or shall promptly take over and complete the Contract through its agents or independent contractors, subject to acceptance and approval of such agents or independent contractors by Obligee as hereinafter set forth, in accordance with its terms and conditions and to pay and perform all obligations of Principal under the Contract, including, without limitation, all obligations with respect to warranties, guarantees and the payment of Liquidated Damages; or, at Obligee's sole discretion and election, Surety shall obtain a bid or bids for completing the Contract in accordance with its terms and conditions, and upon determination by Obligee of the lowest responsible bidder, arrange for a contract between such bidder and the Obligee and make available as Work progresses (even though there should be a default or succession of defaults under the contract or contracts of completion arranged under this paragraph) sufficient funds to pay the cost of completion less the "balance of the Contract Price" (as hereinafter defined), and to pay and perform all obligations of Principal under the Contract, including, without limitation, all obligations with respect to warranties, guarantees and the payment of Liquidated Damages. The term "balance of the Contract Price," as used in this paragraph, shall mean the total amount payable to Principal by the Obligee under the Contract and any modifications thereto, less the amount previously paid by the Obligee to the Principal, less any withholdings by the Obligee allowed under the Contract. Obligee shall not be required or obligated to accept a tender of a completion contractor from the Surety.

Surety expressly agrees that the Obligee may reject any agent or contractor which may be proposed by Surety in fulfillment of its obligations in the event of default by the Principal. Unless otherwise agreed by Obligee, in its sole discretion, Surety shall not utilize Principal in completing the Contract nor shall Surety accept a bid from Principal for completion of the work in the event of default by the Principal.

No final settlement between the Obligee and the Contractor shall abridge the right of any beneficiary hereunder, whose claim may be unsatisfied.

The Surety shall remain responsible and liable for all patent and latent defects that arise out of or relate to the Contractor's failure and/or inability to properly complete the Public Work as required by the Contract and the Contract Documents. The obligation of the Surety hereunder shall continue so long as any obligation of the Contractor remains.

Contractor and Surety agree that if the Obligee is required to engage the services of an attorney in connection with enforcement of the bond, Contractor and Surety shall pay Obligee's reasonable attorneys' fees incurred, with or without suit, in addition to the above sum.

In the event suit is brought upon this bond by the Obligee and judgment is recovered, the Surety shall pay all costs incurred by the Obligee in such suit, including reasonable attorneys' fees to be fixed by the Court.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 12th day of May __________, 2020.

PRINCIPAL/CONTRACTOR:

Animal Pest Management Services, Inc.

By: __________________________

SURETY:

Berkley Insurance Company

By: __________________________
Victoria M. Riedl, Attorney-in-Fact

The rate of premium on this bond is $20.00-- per thousand.

The total amount of premium charged: $2,178.00-- (This must be filled in by a corporate surety).

IMPORTANT: THIS IS A REQUIRED FORM.

Surety companies executing bonds must possess a certificate of authority from the California Insurance Commissioner authorizing them to write surety insurance defined in California Insurance Code section 105, and if the work or project is financed, in whole or in part, with federal, grant or loan funds, Surety's name must also appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended).

Any claims under this bond may be addressed to:

(Berkley Surety Group)

412 Mount Kemble Ave., Suite 310N
Morristown, NJ 07960
Attention: Surety Claims Department
Telephone: (866) 768-3534

(Name and Address of agent or representative for service for service of process in California)

Acrisure of California, LLC dba Brakke Schafnitz Insurance Brokers, LLC

28202 Cabot Rd., 6th floor, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677
Attention: Surety Department
Telephone: 949-365-5100

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF

On _, 20__, before me, ______________, who proved on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies) as the Attorney-in-Fact of ______________ (Surety) and acknowledged to me that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(SEAL)

Notary Public in and for said State

Commission expires: ______________

NOTE: A copy of the power-of-attorney to local representatives of the bonding company must be attached hereto.
Please **verify the authenticity** of the instrument attached to this power by:

Toll-Free Telephone: (866) 768-3534; or

Electronic Mail: BSGInquiry@berkleysurety.com

Any written notices, inquiries, claims or demands to the Surety on the bond attached to this power should be directed to:

Berkley Surety Group  
412 Mount Kemble Ave.  
Suite 310N  
Morristown, NJ 07960  
Attention: Surety Claims Department

Or

Email: BSGClaim@berkleysurety.com

Please include with all communications the bond number and the name of the principal on the bond. Where a claim is being asserted, please set forth generally the basis of the claim. In the case of a payment or performance bond please also identify the project to which the bond pertains.

Berkley Surety Group is an operating unit of W. R. Berkley Corporation that underwrites surety business on behalf of Berkley Insurance Company and Berkley Regional Insurance Company.
POWER OF ATTORNEY

BERKLEY INSURANCE COMPANY

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

NOTICE: The warning found elsewhere in this Power of Attorney affects the validity thereof. Please review carefully.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that BERKLEY INSURANCE COMPANY (the “Company”), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, having its principal office in Greenwich, CT, has made, constituted and appointed, and does by these presents make, constitute and appoint: Matthew F. Schaafnitz; James E. Hurst, Jr.; or Victoria M. Riedl of Acrisus of California, LLC dba Brakke-Schaafnitz Insurance Brokers, LLC of Laguna Niguel, CA its true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact, to sign its name as surety only as delineated below and to execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver any and all bonds and undertakings, with the exception of Financial Guaranty Insurance, providing that no single obligation shall exceed Fifty Million and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (U.S.$50,000,000.00), to the same extent as if such bonds had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company at its principal office in their own proper persons.

This Power of Attorney shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and governed by, the laws of the State of Delaware, without giving effect to the principles of conflicts of laws thereof. This Power of Attorney is granted pursuant to the following resolutions which were duly and validly adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company held on January 25, 2010:

RESOLVED, that, with respect to the Surety business written by Berkley Surety, the Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer, President or any Vice President of the Company, in conjunction with the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary are hereby authorized to execute powers of attorney authorizing and qualifying the attorney-in-fact named therein to execute bonds, undertakings, recognizances, or other suretyship obligations on behalf of the Company, and to affix the corporate seal of the Company to powers of attorney executed pursuant hereto; and said officers may remove any such attorney-in-fact and revoke any power of attorney previously granted; and further

RESOLVED, that such power of attorney limits the acts of those named therein to the bonds, undertakings, recognizances, or other suretyship obligations specifically named therein, and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent therein stated; and further

RESOLVED, that such power of attorney revokes all previous powers issued on behalf of the attorney-in-fact named; and further

RESOLVED, 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 obligation of the Company; and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually affixed. The Company may continue to use for the purposes herein stated the facsimile signature of any person or persons who shall have been such officer or officers of the Company, notwithstanding the fact that they may have ceased to be such at the time when such instruments shall be issued.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused these presents to be signed and attested by its appropriate officers and its corporate seal hereunto affixed this 30th day of March, 2020.

By

Ira S. Lederman
Executive Vice President & Secretary

By

Jeffrey M. Hafer
Senior Vice President

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD

Sworn to before me, a Notary Public in the State of Connecticut, this 30th day of March, 2020, by Ira S. Lederman and Jeffrey M. Hafer who are sworn to me to be the Executive Vice President and Secretary, and the Senior Vice President, respectively, of Berkley Insurance Company.

Maria C. Badder
Notary Public, State of Connecticut

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of BERKLEY INSURANCE COMPANY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of the original Power of Attorney; that said Power of Attorney has not been revoked or rescinded; and that the authority of the Attorney-in-Fact set forth therein, who executed the bond or undertaking to which this Power of Attorney relates, is in full force and effect as of this date.

Attest:

By

Ira S. Lederman
Executive Vice President & Secretary

By

Jeffrey M. Hafer
Senior Vice President

VINCENT P. FORTE
President

May 12th, 2020