

Bond Number: 30183493

Premium: Included in the Performance Bond

**COUNTY OF MONTEREY**

**PAYMENT BOND**

(Civil Code Section 9550)

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey has awarded to Principal, as Contractor, a Contract for the following project:

PAVEMENT IMPROVEMENTS AT  
COUNTY SERVICE AREA (CSA) NO. 25  
PROJECT NO. 812530

AND WHEREAS, Principal, as Contractor, is required to furnish a bond in connection with said Contract, to secure the payment of claims of laborers, mechanics, materialmen, and other persons furnishing labor and materials on the project, as provided by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, we MONTEREY PENINSULA ENGINEERING, as Principal, and THE CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANY as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the County of Monterey, a political subdivision of the State of California (hereinafter called "County"), and to the persons named in California Civil Code section 9100 in the penal sum of One Million Seven Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Five and 00/100 Dollars (\$ 1,722,695.00 ) for the payment of which sum in lawful money of the United States, 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 Principal, or any of Principal's heirs, executors, administrators, successors, assigns, or Subcontractors, (1) fails to pay in full all of the persons named in Civil Code Section 9100 with respect to any labor or materials furnished by said persons on the project described above, or (2) fails to pay in full all amounts due under the California Unemployment Insurance Code with respect to work or labor performed on the project described above, or (3) fails to pay for any amounts required to be deducted, withheld, and paid over to the Employment Development Department from the wages of employees of the Principal and Subcontractors pursuant to Unemployment Insurance Code Section 13020 with respect to such work and labor, then the Surety shall pay for the same.

Surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract on the call for bids, or to the work to be performed there under, or the specifications accompanying the same, shall in any way affect its obligation under this bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of said Contract or the call for bids, or to the work, or to the specifications.

If suit is brought upon this bond by the County and judgment is recovered, the Surety shall pay all litigation expenses incurred by the County in such suit, including attorney's fees, court costs, expert witness fees and investigation expenses.

This bond inures to the benefit of any of the persons named in Civil Code Section 9100, and such persons or their assigns shall have a right of action in any suit brought upon this bond, subject to any limitations set forth in Civil Code Sections 9550 et seq. (Civil Code, Division 4, Part 6, Title 3, Chapter 5: Payment Bond for Public Works & Facilities).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the above bounden parties have executed this instrument under their several seals this 17th day of August, 2023, the name and corporate seal of each corporate party being hereto affixed and these presents duly signed by its undersigned representative, pursuant to authority of its governing body.

(Corporate Seal)

MONTEREY PENINSULA ENGINEERING  
Principal  
By \_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title Peter J. Taormina, Manager

(Corporate Seal)

THE CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
Surety  
By *Tracy Aston*  
Name and Title Tracy Aston, Attorney-in-Fact

(Attach notary acknowledgement for all signatures and original or certified copy of unresolved appointment, attorney-in-fact certificate, power of attorney, by laws, or other instrument entitling or authorizing person executing bond on behalf of Surety to do so.)

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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 Monterey )

On August 19, 2023 before me, Sandra L. Bruno, Notary Public  
(insert name and title of the officer)

personally appeared Peter J. Taormina,  
who proved to me 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), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, 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.

Signature *Sandra L. Bruno* (Seal)



# CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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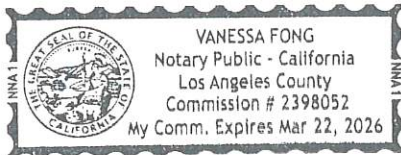
State of California

County of Los Angeles

On **AUG 17 2023** before me, Vanessa Fong, Notary Public, personally appeared Tracy Aston who proved to me 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), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, 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.



Signature *Vanessa Fong*  
Signature of Notary Public



**POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT**

**Know All Men By These Presents**, That The Continental Insurance Company, a Pennsylvania insurance company, is a duly organized and existing insurance company having its principal office in the City of Chicago, and State of Illinois, and that it does by virtue of the signature and seal herein affixed hereby make, constitute and appoint

**Tracy Aston, Rosa E Rivas, Mary Y Volmar, Samantha Russell, Meghan Hanes, Individually**

of Los Angeles, CA, its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute for and on its behalf bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature

**- In Unlimited Amounts -**

and to bind them thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by a duly authorized officer of the insurance company and all the acts of said Attorney, pursuant to the authority hereby given is hereby ratified and confirmed.

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the By-Law and Resolutions, printed on the reverse hereof, duly adopted, as indicated, by the Board of Directors of the insurance company.

**In Witness Whereof**, The Continental Insurance Company has caused these presents to be signed by its Vice President and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed on this 26th day of August, 2022.

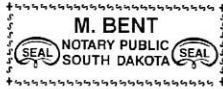


The Continental Insurance Company

*Paul T. Bruflat*  
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Paul T. Bruflat Vice President

State of South Dakota, County of Minnehaha, ss:

On this 26th day of August, 2022, before me personally came Paul T. Bruflat to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the City of Sioux Falls, State of South Dakota; that he is a Vice President of The Continental Insurance Company, a Pennsylvania insurance company, described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of said insurance company; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said insurance company and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said insurance company.



My Commission Expires March 2, 2026

*M. Bent*  
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M. Bent Notary Public

**CERTIFICATE**

I, D. Johnson, Assistant Secretary of The Continental Insurance Company, a Pennsylvania insurance company, do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney herein above set forth is still in force, and further certify that the By-Law and Resolution of the Board of Directors of the insurance company printed on the reverse hereof is still in force. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the said insurance company this day of **AUG. 17 2023**



The Continental Insurance Company

*D. Johnson*  
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D. Johnson Assistant Secretary