

**PAYMENT BOND**

(Public Work)

**TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF  
Hartford, Connecticut 06183**

Bond No.: 104950131

Premium included w/ Performance Bond

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, The Don Chapin Company, Inc., as Principal, and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, a Connecticut corporation, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto County of Monterey, as Obligee, in the sum of Sixty-Three Thousand Five Hundred NO/100 U.S. Dollars (\$63,500.00) for the payment whereof said Principal and Surety bind themselves, jointly and severally, as provided herein.

WHEREAS, Principal has entered into a contract with Obligee, dated August 17, 2007, for Tree Removal, Mass Grading and Erosion Control at Cathrein Acres Phase I, Monterey County, CA ("Contract").

NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that if Principal shall promptly make payment to all Claimants as hereinafter defined for all labor and material actually used, consumed or incorporated in the performance of the construction work to be performed under the Contract, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect, subject, however, to the following conditions:

1. A Claimant is defined as one other than Obligee having a contract with Principal or with a direct subcontractor of Principal to supply labor and/or materials and said labor and/or materials are actually used, consumed or incorporated in the performance of the construction work under the Contract.
2. Principal and Surety hereby jointly and severally agree with Obligee that every Claimant as herein defined who has not been paid in full before the expiration of a period of ninety (90) days after the date on which the last of such Claimant's work or labor was done or performed or materials were furnished by such Claimant, may bring suit on this bond, prosecute the suit to final judgment for the amount due under Claimant's contract for the labor and/or materials supplied by the Claimant which were used, consumed or incorporated in the performance of the work, and have execution thereon; provided, however, that a Claimant having a direct contractual relationship with a subcontractor of Principal shall have a right of action on this bond only if said Claimant notifies Surety in writing of its claim within ninety (90) days from the date on which said Claimant did or performed the last labor and/or materials for which the claim is made. Obligee shall not be liable for the payment of any costs or expenses of any such suit.
3. No suit or action shall be commenced hereunder by any Claimant:
  - a. After the expiration of the earlier of: (1) one year after the day on which Claimant last supplied the labor and/or materials for which the claim is made; or (2) the limitation period set forth in the public works bond statutes, if any, in the location where the construction work is being performed. Any limitation contained in this bond which is prohibited by any law controlling in the state where the suit is filed shall be deemed to be amended so as to be equal to the minimum period of limitation permitted by the law of that state, and said period of limitation shall be deemed to have accrued and shall commence to run on the day Claimant last supplied the labor and/or materials for which the claim is made; and
  - b. Other than in a state court of competent jurisdiction in the county or other political subdivision of the state in which the project, or any part thereof, is situated, or in the United States District Court for the district in which the project, or any part thereof, is situated, and not elsewhere.

of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of Farmington Casualty Company, Fidelity Guaranty Insurance Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., Seaboard Surety Company, St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company, St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, which resolutions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

**RESOLVED**, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents to act for and on behalf of the Company and may give such appointee such authority as his or her certificate of authority may prescribe to sign with the Company's name and seal with the Company's seal bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking, and any of said officers or the Board of Directors at any time may remove any such appointee and revoke the power given him or her; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing and a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Secretary; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any bond, recognizance, contract of indemnity, or writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking shall be valid and binding upon the Company when (a) signed by the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and duly attested and sealed with the Company's seal by a Secretary or Assistant Secretary; or (b) duly executed (under seal, if required) by one or more Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents pursuant to the power prescribed in his or her certificate or their certificates of authority or by one or more Company officers pursuant to a written delegation of authority; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the signature of each of the following officers: President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, any Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Resident Vice Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries or Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such power of attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by such facsimile signature and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding on the Company in the future with respect to any bond or understanding to which it is attached.

I, Kori M. Johanson, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary, of Farmington Casualty Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., Seaboard Surety Company, St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company, St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which is in full force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this 17th day of August, 2007

WARNING: THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY IS INVALID WITHOUT THE RED BORDER

  
Kori M. Johanson, Assistant Secretary



To verify the authenticity of this Power of Attorney, call 1-800-421-3880 or contact us at [www.stpaultravelersbond.com](http://www.stpaultravelersbond.com). Please refer to the Attorney-In-Fact number, the above-named individuals and the details of the bond to which the power is attached.

CALIFORNIA ALL PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

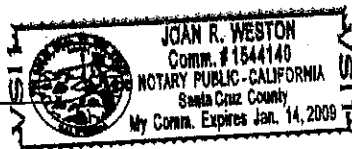
State of California

County of Santa Cruz

On August 17, 2007, before me, Joan R. Weston, Notary Public, personally appeared Deborah L. Tablak, personally known to me (or 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 her/his/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 acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Joan R. Weston



OPTIONAL

DOCUMENT AND SIGNER

Type: Subdivision Payment Bond # 104950131
Principal: The Don Chapin Company, Inc.
Obligee: County of Monterey
Description: Cathrein Acres Phase I Tree Removal, Mass Grading & Erosion Control
Deborah L. Tablak is Attorney-in-Fact for Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America