

PERFORMANCE BOND

(Public Work)

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

Bond No.: 104950131

2 year premium \$2,146.00

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 Oblige, in the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand NO/100 Dollars (\$127,000.00) for the payment whereof said Principal and Surety bind themselves, jointly and severally, as provided herein.

WHEREAS, Principal has entered into a contract with Oblige dated 08/17/07 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 perform the Construction Work to be done under the Contract, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect. Surety's obligations hereunder shall not arise unless Principal is in default under the Contract for failing to perform the Construction Work, and has been declared by Oblige to be in default under the Contract for failing to perform the Construction Work; and Oblige has performed its obligations under the Contract. In such event, Surety shall have a reasonable period of time to:

1. Upon entering into an acceptable written takeover agreement with Oblige, undertake to perform and complete the Construction Work to be done under the Contract; or
2. Obtain bids or negotiated proposals from qualified contractors for a contract for completion of the Construction Work to be done under the Contract, arrange for a contract to be prepared for execution by Oblige and contractor, to be secured with performance and payment bonds executed by a qualified surety; or
3. Waive its right to perform or complete the Construction Work pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 above, and with reasonable promptness under the circumstances: (a) After investigation, determine the amount for which it may be liable to the Oblige and, as soon as practicable after the amount is determined, tender payment therefor to the Oblige; or (b) Deny liability in whole or in part and notify the Oblige citing reasons therefor.
4. The Contract balance, as defined below, shall be credited against the reasonable construction cost of completing the Construction Work to be performed under the Contract. If completed by Oblige pursuant to paragraphs 2 or 3 above, and the reasonable construction cost exceeds the Contract balance, Surety shall pay to Oblige such excess, but in no event shall the aggregate liability of Surety exceed the amount of this bond. If Surety completes the Construction Work pursuant to paragraph 1 above, that portion of the Contract balance as may be required to complete the Construction Work to be done under the Contract and to reimburse Surety for its outlays shall be paid to Surety at the times and in the manner as said sums would have been payable to Principal had there been no default under the Contract; provided, however, that to the extent that Surety's outlays exceed the Contract balance paid to Surety by Oblige, Surety shall be entitled to a dollar for dollar reduction of its liability under this bond, and Surety's aggregate liability shall not exceed the penal sum of this bond. The term "Contract balance," as used in the paragraph, shall mean the total amount payable by Oblige under the Contract and any amendments thereto, less the amounts properly paid by Oblige to Principal under the Contract. The term "Construction Work" as used herein shall mean the providing all labor and/or material necessary to complete Principal's scope of work under the Contract. Notwithstanding any language in the Contract to the contrary, the Contract balance shall not be reduced or set off on account of any obligation, contractual or otherwise, except the reasonable construction cost incurred in completing the Construction Work.
5. Any suit by Oblige under this bond must be instituted before the earlier of: (a) the expiration of one year from the date of substantial completion of the Construction Work, or (b) one year after Principal ceased performing the Construction Work under the Contract, excluding warranty work. If this bond is provided to comply with bond statutes in the location where the Construction Work is being performed, and the bond statutes contain a statute of limitations for suits on the performance bond, then the limitation period set forth herein shall

Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors 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, 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.

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

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

Kori M. Johanson
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. Please refer to the Attorney-In-Fact number, the above-named individuals and the details of the bond to which the power is attached.

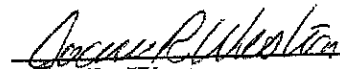
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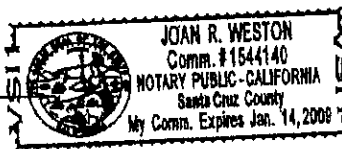
State of California

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~~/~~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 acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.


Joan R. Weston



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DOCUMENT AND SIGNER

Type: Subdivision Performance 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