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EMC Insurance Companies

- ☒ Employers Mutual Casualty Company, an IA Corporation
☐ EMCASCO Insurance Company, an IA Corporation
☐ Union Insurance Company of Providence, an IA Corporation
☐ Dakota Fire Insurance Company, a ND Corporation
☐ Illinois EMCASCO Insurance Company, an IA Corporation
☐ EMC Property & Casualty Company, an IA Corporation
☐ Hamilton Mutual Insurance Company, an IA Corporation
(Herein called the Surety)

OFFICIAL BOND

Bond No. S355326

PRINCIPAL (Official's Full Name and Address) Frank Corley Ellis, III 115 East Sterrett St. Columbiana, AL 35051	Office Elected or Appointed to: Commissioner
OBLIGEE: (Name of Governmental Body and Address where bond will be filed) Shelby County Commission P. O. Box 467 Columbiana, AL 35051	Penal Amount of Bond: \$3,000.00
SURETY: As checked above; Administrative Office EMC Insurance Companies 717 Mulberry, Des Moines, Iowa 50309	Term of Office: From: 09/11/06 To: 11/30/08

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, the Principal and Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the Obligee in the stated penal sum, lawful money of the United States, to be paid to said Obligee, for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns, jointly and severally, by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That, Whereas, the said Principal has been duly elected or appointed to the office as aforesaid within the jurisdiction of and for the said Obligee.

NOW THEREFORE, if said Principal shall render a true account of his office and of his doings therein to the proper authority when required thereby or by law, and shall promptly pay over to the person or persons entitled thereto all money which may come into his hands by virtue of his office, and shall promptly account for all balances of money remaining in his hands at the termination of his office, and shall exercise all reasonable diligence and care in the preservation and lawful disposal of all money, books, papers and securities or other property appertaining to his said office, and deliver them to his successor or to any person authorized to receive the same, if he shall faithfully and impartially, without fear, favor, fraud or oppression, discharge all other duties now or hereafter required of his office by law, then this bond to be void, otherwise in full force.

Signed this 8th day of September, 20 06

9/13/06
Approved
Presiding Court Judge

Frank Corley Ellis III
Principal
Employers Mutual Casualty Co.
Surety
By: *Rebecca Brasher*
Attorney-in-fact

STATE OF Alabama

Shelby COUNTY, ss:

I, Frank Corley Ellis, III, solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the State of Alabama, and that I will faithfully and impartially to the best of my ability discharge the duties of the office of Shelby County Commissioner in Shelby County

as now or hereafter required by law.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this, 8 day of September, 20 06

Frank Corley Ellis III
Principal
Kim W. Reynolds
Notary Public

EMC Insurance Companies

P.O. Box 712 • Des Moines, IA 50303-0712

No. 682703

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that:**

1. Employers Mutual Casualty Company, an Iowa Corporation
2. EMCASCO Insurance Company, an Iowa Corporation
3. Union Insurance Company of Providence, an Iowa Corporation
4. Illinois EMCASCO Insurance Company, an Iowa Corporation

5. Dakota Fire Insurance Company, a North Dakota Corporation
6. EMC Property & Casualty Company, an Iowa Corporation
7. Hamilton Mutual Insurance Company, an Iowa Corporation

hereinafter referred to severally as "Company" and collectively as "Companies", each does, by these presents, make, constitute and appoint:

GEORGE BENTLEY, RUX BENTLEY, REBECCA BRASHER, INDIVIDUALLY, COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA

its true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority conferred to sign, seal, and execute its lawful bonds, undertakings, and other obligatory instruments of a similar nature as follows:

IN AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$250,000.00)

and to bind each Company thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by the duly authorized officers of each such Company, and all of the acts of said attorney pursuant to the authority hereby given are hereby ratified and confirmed.

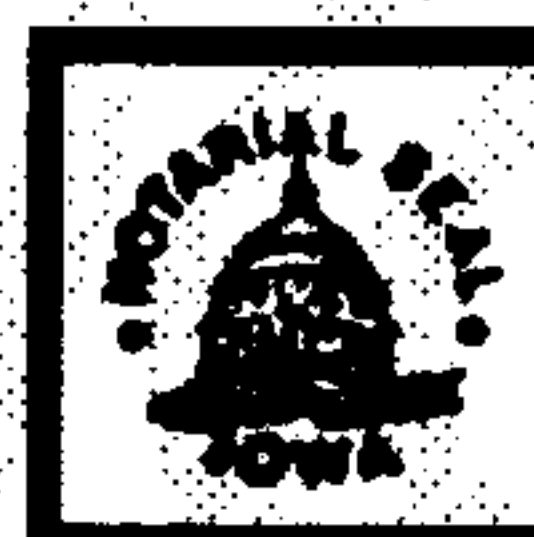
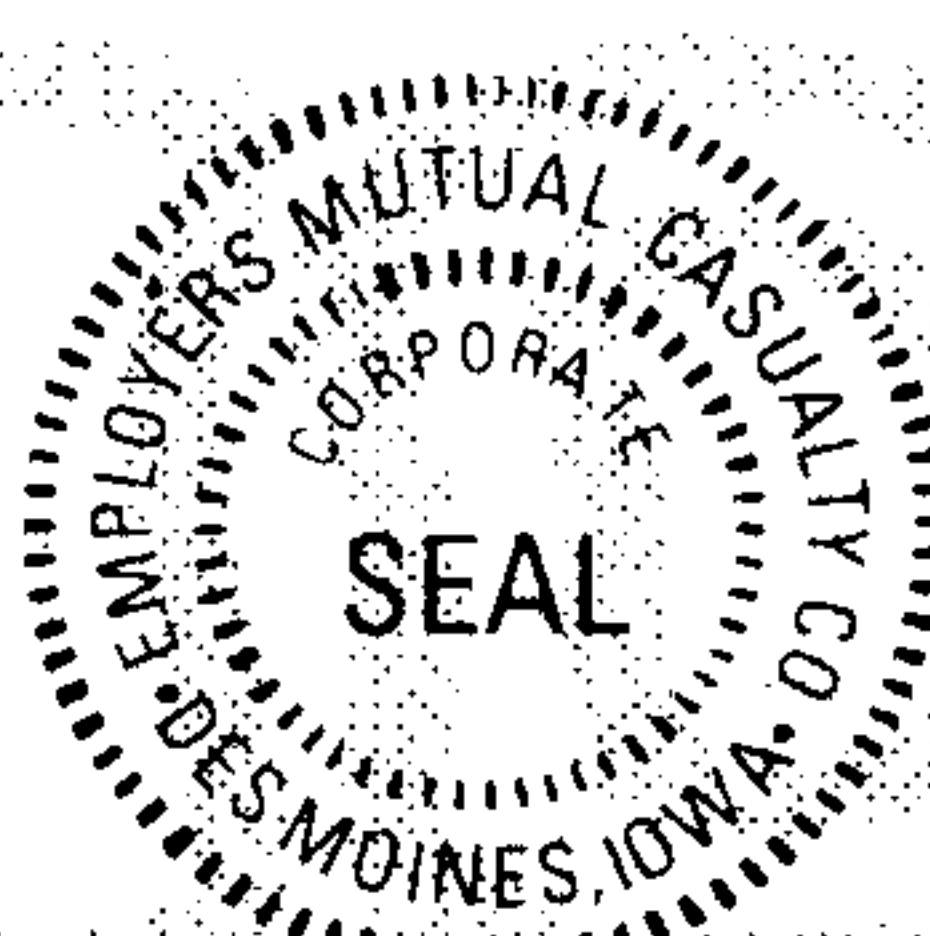
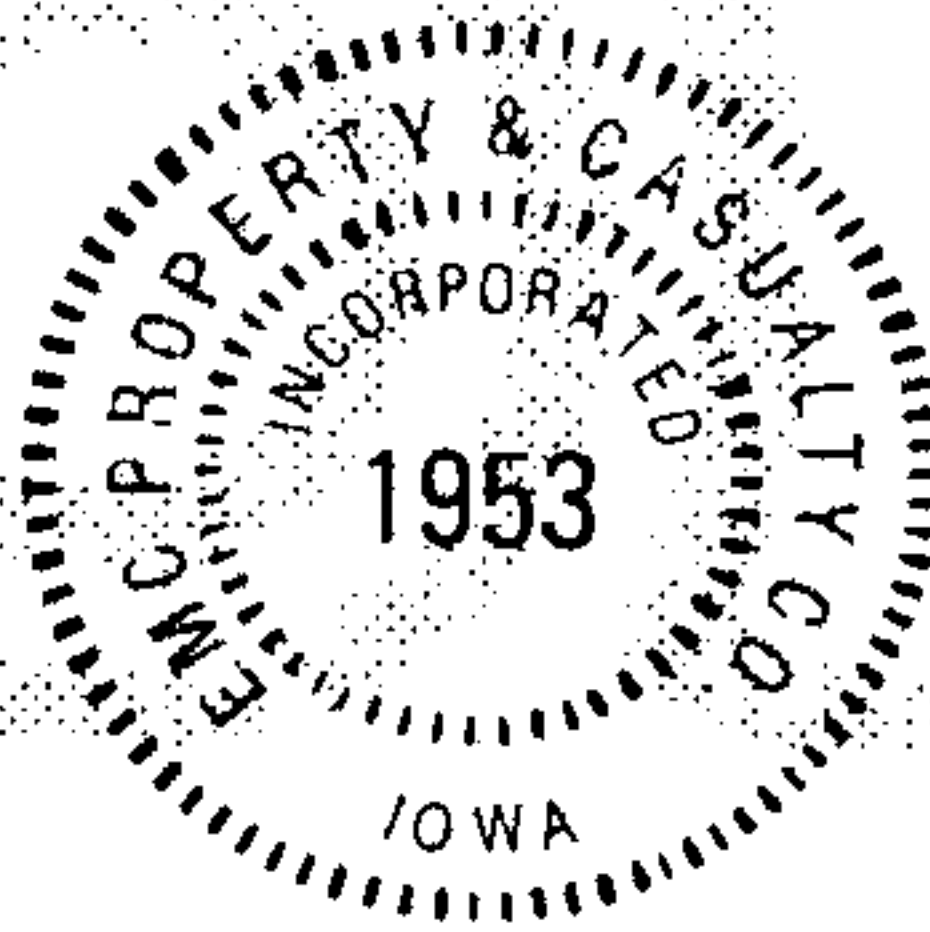
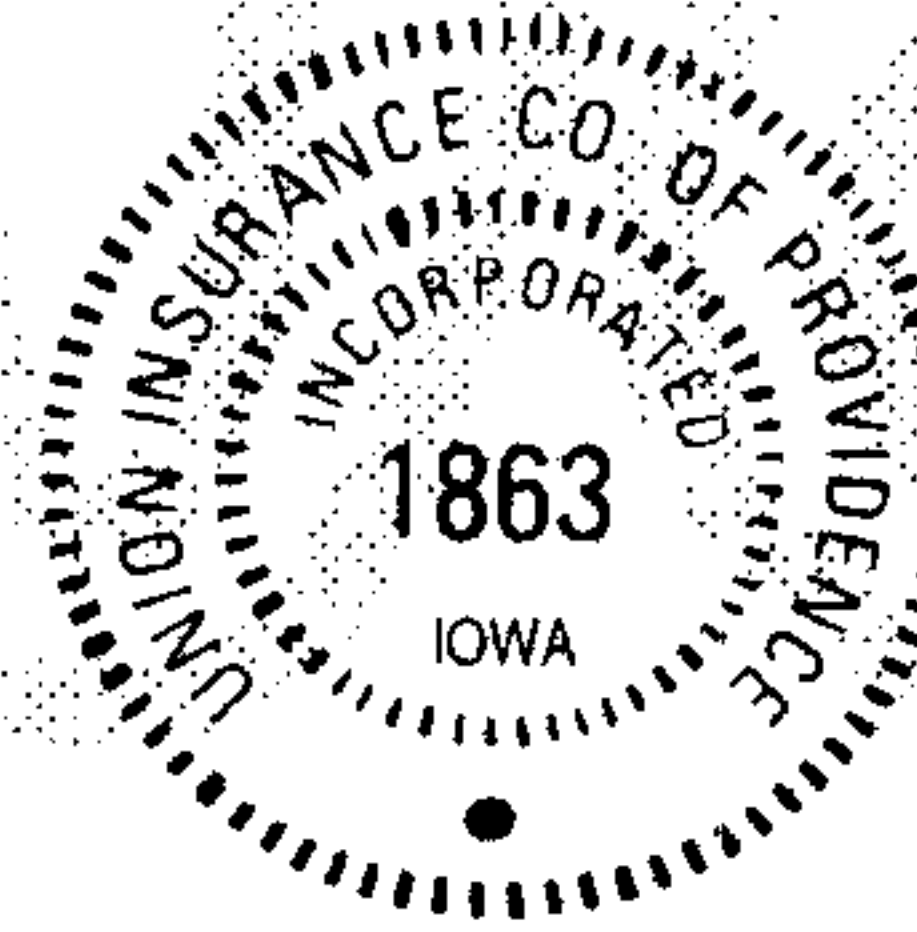
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09/13/2006 11:23:12AM FILED/CERTThe authority hereby granted shall expire August 1, 2009 unless sooner revoked.**AUTHORITY FOR POWER OF ATTORNEY**

This Power-of-Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by the authority of the following resolution of the Boards of Directors of each of the Companies at a regularly scheduled meeting of each company duly called and held in 1999:

RESOLVED: The President and Chief Executive Officer, any Vice President, the Treasurer and the Secretary of Employers Mutual Casualty Company shall have power and authority to (1) appoint attorneys-in-fact and authorize them to execute on behalf of each Company and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and (2) to remove any such attorney-in-fact at any time and revoke the power and authority given to him or her. Attorneys-in-fact shall have power and authority, subject to the terms and limitations of the power-of-attorney issued to them, to execute and deliver on behalf of the Company, and to attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such instrument executed by any such attorney-in-fact shall be fully and in all respects binding upon the Company. Certification as to the validity of any power-of-attorney authorized herein made by an officer of Employers Mutual Casualty Company shall be fully and in all respects binding upon this Company. The facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of such officer, whether made heretofore or hereafter, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power-of-attorney of the Company, shall be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and affect as though manually affixed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused these presents to be signed for each by their officers as shown, and the Corporate seals to be hereto affixed this 19th day of May, 2006.

Seals

PATRICIA A. WRIGHT
Commission Number 176255
My Comm. Exp. Nov. 1, 2008

Bruce G. Kelley
Bruce G. Kelley, Chairman
of Companies 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6; President
of Company 1; Vice Chairman and
CEO of Company 7

Jeffrey S. Birdsley
Jeffrey S. Birdsley
Assistant Secretary

On this 19th day of May AD 2006 before me a Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa, personally appeared Bruce G. Kelley and Jeffrey S. Birdsley, who, being by me duly sworn, did say that they are, and are known to me to be the Chairman, President, Vice Chairman and CEO, and/or Assistant Secretary, respectively, of each of The Companies above; that the seals affixed to this instrument are the seals of said corporations; that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of each of the Companies by authority of their respective Boards of Directors; and that the said Bruce G. Kelley and Jeffrey S. Birdsley, as such officers, acknowledge the execution of said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of each of the Companies.
My Commission Expires November 1, 2008.

Patricia A. Wright
Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa

CERTIFICATE

I, David L. Hixenbaugh, Vice President of the Companies, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution of the Boards of Directors by each of the Companies, and this Power of Attorney issued pursuant thereto on May 19, 2006 on behalf of George Bentley, Rux Bentley, Rebecca Brasher are true and correct and are still in full force and effect.

In Testimony Whereof I have subscribed my name and affixed the facsimile seal of each Company this 8th day of September, 2006

David L. Hixenbaugh
Vice-President