

PERPETUAL BOND COVERING CABLE, CONDUIT AND/OR POLE LINE
ACTIVITY IN, UNDER, ACROSS OR ALONG FORT BEND COUNTY ROADS
(AUTHORIZED)

BOND NO. [REDACTED]

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF FORT BEND §

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WE, AUC Group, LLC whose (address, phone) is 1800 Augusta Drive, Suite 108, Houston TX 77057, 713-983-3255 (address, phone) is the Principal, and Indemnity National Insurance Company, a Corporation existing under and by virtue of the laws of the state of Mississippi and authorized to do an indemnifying business in the State of Texas, and whose principal office is located at 238 Bedford Way, Franklin, TN 37064, whose officer residing in the State of Texas, authorized to accept service in all suits and actions brought within said State is Corporation Service Company and whose (address, phone) is 211 E. 7th Street, Suite 620, Austin, TX 78701-3218, 512-397-1550, hereinafter called the Surety, are held and firmly bound unto, KP George, County Judge of Fort Bend County, Texas, or his successors in office, in the full sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) current, lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid to said KP George, County Judge of Fort Bend County, Texas, or his successors in office, to which payment well and truly to be made and done, we, the undersigned, bind ourselves and each of us, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, assigns, and legal representatives, jointly and severally, by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS BOND IS SUCH THAT, WHEREAS, the above bounden principal contemplates laying, constructing, maintaining and/or repairing one or more cables, conduits, and/or pole lines in, under, across and/or along roads, streets and highways in the County of Fort Bend, and the State of Texas, under the jurisdiction of the Commissioners' Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, pursuant to the Commissioners' Court order adopted on the 1st day of December, A.D. 1980, recorded in Volume 13, of the Commissioners' Court Minutes of Fort Bend County, Texas, regulating same, which Commissioners' Court order is hereby referred to and made a part hereof for all purposes as though fully set out herein.

AND WHEREAS, the principal desires to provide Fort Bend County with a perpetual bond covering all such cable, conduit and/or pole line activity;

NOW, THEREFORE, if the above bounden principal shall faithfully perform all its cable, conduit and/or pole line activity (including, but not limited to the laying, constructing, maintaining and/or repair of cables, conduits and/or pole lines) in, under, across and/or along roads, streets and highways in the County of Fort Bend and State of Texas, under the jurisdiction of the Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, pursuant to and in accordance with minimum requirements and conditions of the above mentioned Commissioners' Court order set forth and specified to be by said principal done and performed, at the time and in the manner therein specified, and shall pay over and make good and reimburse Fort Bend County, all loss and damages which Fort Bend County may sustain by reason of any failure or default on the part of said principal, then this obligation shall be null and void otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

This bond is payable at the County Courthouse in the County of Fort Bend and State of Texas.

It is understood that at any time Fort Bend County deems itself insecure under this bond, it may require further and/or additional bonds of the principal.

EXECUTED this 5th day of October, 2023.

AUC Group, LLC
PRINCIPAL

BY

Indemnity National Insurance Company
SURETY

BY Theresa Hintzman, Attorney-in-Fact

Power of Attorney

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: that Indemnity National Insurance Company, a Mississippi corporation, (hereinafter the "Company"), does hereby constitute and appoint: *****Brook T. Smith, William R. Precious, Mark A. Guidry*****
*****Theresa Hintzman, Amy Smith, Susan Ritter, and Kelsy Hoagland***** of Acisure, LLC DBA Smith Manus***** to be its true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal, and execute on its behalf surety bonds or undertakings and other documents of a similar nature issued in the course of its business up to a penal sum not to exceed *****Thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000.00)***** each, and to bind the Company thereby as fully and to the same extent as if the same were signed by the duly authorized officers of the Company.

This appointment is made under and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following Minutes of Special Actions Taken by Written Consent of the Board of Directors, which is now in full force and effect:

Authorization to Appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and the Use of Facsimile Signatures and Facsimile Seals for the Purpose of Issuing Bonds:

RESOLVED: That the president or any vice president may appoint attorneys-in-fact or agents with authority as defined or limited in the instrument evidencing the appointment in each case, for and on behalf of the Company to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the Company to bonds and related obligatory certificates and documents; and any one of said officers may remove any such attorney-in-fact or agent and revoke any power previously granted to such person, whether or not such officer appointed the attorney-in-fact or agent.

RESOLVED: That any bonds and related obligatory certificates and documents shall be valid and binding upon the Company,
(i) when signed by the president, or any vice president, and sealed with the Company seal; or
(ii) when duly executed and sealed with the Company seal by one or more attorneys-in-fact or agents pursuant to and within the limits of authority evidenced by the power of attorney issued by the Company to such person or persons a certified copy of which power of attorney must be attached thereto in order for such obligation to be binding upon the Company.

RESOLVED: That the signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the Company may be affixed to any power of attorney or certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bonds and related obligatory certificates and documents of the Company and such signature and seal then so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Power of Attorney has been subscribed by an authorized officer or official of the Company and the corporate seal of Indemnity National Insurance Company has been affixed thereto in Lexington, Kentucky this 20th day of August, 2021.



Indemnity National Insurance Company

By Thomas F. Elkins
Thomas F. Elkins, President

State of Kentucky
County of Fayette

On this 20th day of August, 2021, before me, a Notary Public, personally came Thomas F. Elkins, to me known, and acknowledged that he is President of Indemnity National Insurance Company; that he knows the seal of said corporation; and that he executed the above Power of Attorney and affixed the corporate seal of Indemnity National Insurance Company thereto with the authority and at the direction of said corporation.



By Deborah A. Murphy
Notary Public

My Commission Expires 09/26/2025
Notary ID Number: KYNP34336

CERTIFICATE

I, James E. Hart, Secretary of Indemnity National Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the foregoing Power of Attorney is still in full force and effect, and further certify that the Minutes of Special Actions Taken by Written Consent of the Board of Directors are now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Company. Dated this 5th day of October, 2023



By James E. Hart
James E. Hart, Secretary

TEXAS COMPLAINT NOTICE

IMPORTANT NOTICE

1. To obtain information or make a complaint:

2. You may contact your agent.

3. You may call the company at:

(615) 592-5346

4. You may also write to the company at:

Indemnity National Insurance Company
238 Bedford Way
Franklin, TN 37064

5. You may contact the Texas Department of Insurance to obtain information on companies, coverages, rights or complaints at:

(800) 252-3439

6. You may also write or contact the Texas Department of Insurance at:

Texas Department of Insurance
P.O. Box 149091
Austin, TX 78714
Fax: (512) 490-1007
Web: <http://www.tdi.texas.gov>
Email: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov

7. PREMIUM OR CLAIM DISPUTES:

Should you have a dispute concerning your premium or about a claim you should contact the agent or the company first. If the dispute is not resolved, you may contact the Texas Department of Insurance

8. ATTACH THIS NOTICE TO YOUR POLICY:

This notice is for information only and does not become part or condition of the attached document.