

Energy Corporation of America

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January 21, 2010

Johnny Ortega
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Re: Westech Energy Corporation Bonds

To whom it may concern:

Please be advised that effective January 1st, 2010 Westech Energy Corporation (WEC) has merged with and into its parent company Energy Corporation of America (ECA) with ECA being the surviving entity. Upon the effective date of the merger ECA will assume all rights and obligations previously held by WEC relative to its Right of Way Bond identified as bond number B003556.

Attached you will find a rider to the aforementioned Bond naming ECA as the Bond obligee. Please continue to contact me regarding any matters associated with this bond. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to call at 304.925.6100 ext 218.

Sincerely,

Brannon J. Krieg
Insurance and Benefits Administrator
Energy Corporation of America

SURETY RIDER NO. 1

To be attached to and form a part of Bond No. B003556 on behalf of ECA Holdings, LP as Principal, executed by U.S. Specialty Insurance Company as Surety, for the benefit of Robert E. Hebert, County Judge of Fort Bend County, Texas, or his successors in office as Obligee.

Executed date of bond: July 11, 2007

Effective date of change: December 22, 2009

In consideration of the mutual agreement contained herein, the Principal and the Surety hereby consent to the following changes:

The ***Principal Name*** has changed from:

ECA Holdings, LP

to:

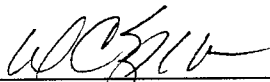
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Nothing contained herein shall vary, alter or extend any provision, term or condition of this bond except as expressly stated herein.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DATED THIS: 22nd day of December, 2009.

Energy Corporation of America

Name of Principal



Signature

D.C. Supcor Sr. Vice President
Name and title of person signing
behalf of Principal

U.S. Specialty Insurance Company

Name of Surety



Signature

W. Russell Brown, Jr., Attorney-in-Fact
Name and title of person signing on
on behalf of Surety

POWER OF ATTORNEY

AMERICAN CONTRACTORS INDEMNITY COMPANY UNITED STATES SURETY COMPANY U.S. SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That American Contractors Indemnity Company, a California corporation, United States Surety Company, a Maryland corporation and U.S. Specialty Insurance Company, a Texas corporation (collectively, the "Companies"), do by these presents make, constitute and appoint:

Edwin H. Frank, III or W. Russell Brown, Jr. of Houston, Texas

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-fact, each in their separate capacity if more than one is named above, with full power and authority hereby conferred in its name, place and stead, to execute, acknowledge and deliver **any and all bonds, recognizances, undertakings or other instruments or contracts of suretyship to include riders, amendments, and consents of surety, providing the bond penalty does not exceed** *****Three Million***** Dollars (\$ **3,000,000.00**)

This Power of Attorney shall expire without further action on March 18, 2011. This Power of Attorney is granted under and by authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of the Companies:

Be it Resolved, that the President, any Vice-President, any Assistant Vice-President, any Secretary or any Assistant Secretary shall be and is hereby vested with full power and authority to appoint any one or more suitable persons as Attorney(s)-in-Fact to represent and act for and on behalf of the Company subject to the following provisions:

Attorney-in-Fact may be given full power and authority for and in the name of and on behalf of the Company, to execute, acknowledge and deliver, any and all bonds, recognizances, contracts, agreements or indemnity and other conditional or obligatory undertakings and any and all notices and documents canceling or terminating the Company's liability thereunder, and any such instruments so executed by any such Attorney-in-Fact shall be binding upon the Company as if signed by the President and sealed and effected by the Corporate Secretary.

Be it Resolved, that the signature of any authorized officer and seal of the Company heretofore or hereafter affixed to any power of attorney or any certificate relating thereto by facsimile, and any power of attorney or certificate bearing facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this 22nd day of December, 2009

AMERICAN CONTRACTORS INDEMNITY COMPANY UNITED STATES SURETY COMPANY U.S. SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY

Corporate Seals



By: [Signature]

Daniel P. Aguilar, Vice President

State of California

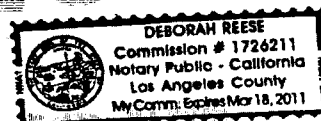
County of Los Angeles SS:

December 22, 2009, before me, Deborah Reese, a notary public, personally appeared Daniel P. Aguilar, Vice President of American Contractors Indemnity Company, United States Surety Company and U.S. Specialty Insurance Company who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature 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 [Signature]

(Seal)



I, Jeannie J. Kim, Assistant Secretary of American Contractors Indemnity Company, United States Surety Company and U.S. Specialty Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Power of Attorney, executed by said Companies, which is still in full force and effect; furthermore, the resolutions of the Boards of Directors, set out in the Power of Attorney are in full force and effect.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies at Los Angeles, California this 22nd day of December, 2009

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Bond No. B003556

Agency No. #8353



[Signature]

Jeannie J. Kim, Assistant Secretary



Certificate

*I, Natalie E. Tennant, Secretary of State of the
State of West Virginia, hereby certify that*

by the provisions of the West Virginia Code, Articles of Merger were received and filed,
MERGING WESTECH ENERGY CORPORATION, A NON-QUALIFIED CO ORGANIZATION, WITH AND INTO ENERGY
CORPORATION OF AMERICA, A QUALIFIED WV ORGANIZATION.

Therefore, I hereby issue this

CERTIFICATE OF MERGER



*Given under my hand and the
Great Seal of the State of
West Virginia on this day of
December 23, 2009*

Natalie E. Tennant

Secretary of State