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

(AUTHORIZED)

BOND NO. TX 811914

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

COUNTY OF FORT BEND §

THAT WE, TGC Industries, Inc. whose address is the Principal,
and Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual), a Corporation existing under and by virtue of
the laws of the State of Iowa and authorized to do an indemnifying business in the State
of Texas, and whose principal office is located at 2100 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, Iowa 50321-1158, whose
officer residing in the State of Texas, authorized to accept service in all suits and actions brought
within said State is Audrey Williams and whose address is 9500 Arboretum Boulevard, Suite 100, Austin, TX 78759,
hereinafter called the Surety, are held and firmly bound unto, Robert E. Hebert, County Judge
of Fort Bend County, Texas, or his successors in office, in the full sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars
Dollars (\$50,000.00) current, lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid to said
Robert E. Hebert, 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 10th day of February, 2014.

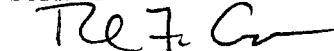
TGC Industries, Inc.

PRINCIPAL


BY James Brada

Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual)

SURETY



BY Raul F Campa Attorney-in-Fact

MERCHANTS
BONDING COMPANY™
POWER OF ATTORNEY

Bond #: TX 811914

Know All Persons By These Presents, that MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., both being corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Iowa (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and that the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint, individually,

Raul F Campa

of **Richardson** and State of **TX** their true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred in their name, place and stead, to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver in their behalf as surety any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances or other written obligations in the nature thereof, subject to the limitation that any such instrument shall not exceed the amount of:

FIVE MILLION (\$5,000,000.00) DOLLARS

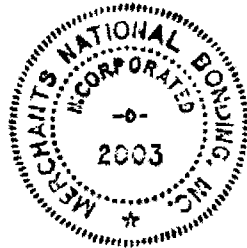
and to bind the Companies thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such bond or undertaking was signed by the duly authorized officers of the Companies, and all the acts of said Attorney-in-Fact, pursuant to the authority herein given, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This Power-of-Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-Laws adopted by the Board of Directors of the Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual) on April 23, 2011 and adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants National Bonding, Inc., on October 24, 2011.

"The President, Secretary, Treasurer, or any Assistant Treasurer or any Assistant Secretary or any Vice President shall have power and authority to appoint Attorneys-in-Fact, and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company, and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof.

The signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile or electronic transmission to any Power of Attorney or Certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the Company, and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually fixed."

In Witness Whereof, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and sealed this 4th day of October, 2013.



MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL)
MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.

By

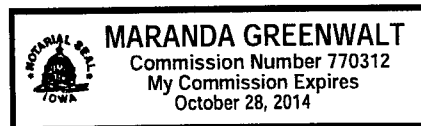
Larry Taylor

President

STATE OF IOWA
COUNTY OF POLK ss.

On this 4th day of October, 2013, before me appeared Larry Taylor, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn did say that he is President of the MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.; and that the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument is the Corporate Seals of the Companies; and that the said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of the Companies by authority of their respective Boards of Directors.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal at the City of Des Moines, Iowa, the day and year first above written.



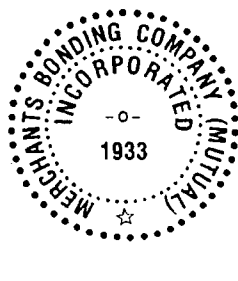
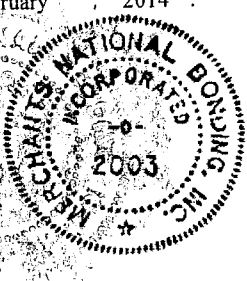
Maranda Greenwalt

Notary Public, Polk County, Iowa

STATE OF IOWA
COUNTY OF POLK ss.

I, William Warner, Jr., Secretary of the MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., 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 still in full force and effect and has not been amended or revoked.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Companies on this 10th day of February, 2014.



William Warner Jr.

Secretary

POA 0014 (11/11)