

Block(s) _____ Lot(s) _____

PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE BOND

We, _____, having offices at _____, as principal, and _____, having offices at _____, a corporation duly licensed to transact a surety business in the State of New Jersey, as surety, are indebted to the Jackson Township Municipal Utilities Authority in the County of Ocean and State of New Jersey, obligee, in the sum of \$ _____, for which payment we bind ourselves and our respective heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally.

On _____ (date), principal was granted approval by the Jackson Township Municipal Utilities Authority for the following Project:

[Include reference to specific job and resolution of approval]. The estimate by the Authority's engineer of the cost of this work and the resolution of approval are attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:14B-73, the principal hereby furnishes a performance surety bond in the amount of \$ _____ (not to exceed 120 percent of the cost of the improvements, as certified by the Authority's engineer), written by _____, a surety licensed in the State of New Jersey, guarantying full and faithful completion of improvements approved by the Authority as a condition of final approval. This bond shall remain in full force and effect until such time as all improvements covered by the bond have been approved or accepted by resolution of the Authority's governing body, except that in those instances where some of the improvements are approved or accepted by resolution of the governing body upon certification by the Authority's engineer, partial release from the bond shall be granted in accordance with N.J.S.A.40:14B-73, provided that all procedures therein required have been followed and satisfied. The amount of the bond remaining shall be sufficient to secure provision of the improvements not yet approved.

This bond shall remain in full force and effect until released by resolution of the Authority's governing body.

This bond is issued subject to the following expressed conditions:

1. This bond shall not be subject to cancellation either by the principal or by the surety for any reason until such time as all improvements subject to the bond have been accepted by the Authority in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Municipal and County Utilities Authorities Law.
2. This bond shall be deemed to be continuous in form and shall remain in full force and effect until the improvements are accepted by the Authority and the bond is released, or until default is declared, or until the bond is replaced by another bond meeting applicable legal requirements. Upon approval or acceptance of all improvements by the Authority, or upon replacement of this bond by another bond acceptable to the Authority, liability under this bond shall cease. Upon approval or acceptance of some, but not all, of the required improvements by the municipality, partial release from the bond shall be granted in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:14B-73; provided, however, that the portion of the bond amount sufficient to secure completion of the improvements shall continue in effect.
3. The aggregate liability of the surety shall not exceed the sum set forth above.
4. In the event that the improvements subject to this bond are not completed within the time allowed under the conditions of the final approval issued pursuant to the Municipal and County Utilities Authorities Law, including such extensions as may be allowed by the Authority, the governing body may, at its option, and upon at least 30 days' prior written notice to the principal and to the surety by personal delivery or by certified or registered mail or courier, declare the principal to be in default and, in the event that the surety fails or refuses to complete the work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the original approval, claim payment under this bond for the cost of completion of the work. In the event that any action is brought against the principal under this bond, written notice of such action shall be given to the surety by the Authority by personal delivery or by registered or certified mail or courier at the same time.
5. The surety shall have the right to complete the work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the original approval, either with its own employees or in conjunction with the principal or another contractor; provided, however, that the surety, in its sole discretion, may make a monetary settlement with the Authority as an alternative to completing the work.
6. In the event that the principal and the Authority agree to changes in the scope of work, the obligations of the surety under this bond shall not be affected so long as the cost of the work does not exceed 120 percent of the Authority's certified estimate, attached hereto and made a part hereof, which 120 percent of the estimate shall be the limit of the surety's obligation under this bond in any case. If the cost of the work exceeds 120 percent of the certified estimate, the principal shall secure a

rider from a surety for the additional amount; provided, however, that this provision shall not be construed as requiring a surety to provide additional coverage.

7. This bond shall inure to the benefit of the Authority only, and no other party shall acquire any rights hereunder.
8. In the event that this bond shall for any reason cease to be effective prior to the approval or acceptance of all improvements, a cease-and-desist order may be issued by the governing body, in which case all work shall stop until such time as a replacement guarantee acceptable to the Authority becomes effective.

Date: _____

Witness/Attest:

Principal

Surety
