

## ROAD AND RIGHT-OF-WAY BOND

Bond No. 105816545

### KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, Great River Energy, hereinafter called the Principal, and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, as Surety, are jointly and severally held and firmly bound unto the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") in favor of, and for the benefit of, such townships, counties, or other governmental entities whose property is crossed by the transmission facility permitted in EL10-016 hereinafter collectively called the Obligee, in the sum of Five Hundred Thousand And No/100 Dollars(\$500,000.00) lawful money of the United States of America, for the payment of which sum we bind ourselves and our successors, heirs, administrators or personal representatives, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, Principal has received a permit from the Commission as set forth in the Commission's Order Granting Joint Motion for Approval of Settlement Stipulation and Granting Permit to Construct Facilities in Docket EL10-016 ("Order"). The Order incorporated by reference the Settlement Stipulation executed by Principal and the Commission's staff on June 6 and 7, 2011 ("Stipulation"). In accordance with the Stipulation and Order, in particular paragraph 7 of Section 3, Terms and Conditions of the Settlement Stipulation ("Conditions"), Principal has negotiated or will negotiate an agreement or agreements with, and has applied or will apply for a permit, permits, or permission to do work within and utilize the public right-of-way, roads, highways, bridges, or other related facilities of, all such South Dakota townships, counties, and other governmental entities whose property is crossed by the transmission facilities described in the Stipulation and Order.

NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of this bond is such that if said Principal shall during the continuance of such permit, permits, or permission faithfully perform and comply with all of the provisions of the Stipulation dealing with public roads, highways, bridges, or other related facilities, particularly Conditions 7, 8, 10, and 27, and said agreements, permits, or permissions, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

This Bond shall remain in effect until released by the Commission in accordance with Condition 27 of the Stipulation and shall not be cancelled by Surety prior to such time. Regardless of the amount of time that this bond remains in effect, in no event will the liability of the Surety exceed the sum stated above.

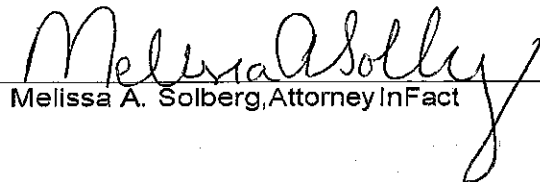
Dated at Minnesota, this 30th day of May, 2013

PRINCIPAL

SURETY

Great River Energy

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company  
of America



Melissa A. Solberg, Attorney In Fact



POWER OF ATTORNEY

Farmington Casualty Company
Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company
Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc.
St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company
St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company

St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company

Attorney-In Fact No. 226035

Certificate No. 005330732

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Farmington Casualty Company, St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company, St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut, that Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Iowa, and that Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and that the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint

Charyl Cherryhomes, Michele Grogan, Ann Higgins, Robin Rutlin, and Melissa A. Solberg

of the City of Minneapolis, State of Minnesota, their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, each in their separate capacity if more than one is named above, to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, recognizances, conditional undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this 14th day of January, 2013.

Farmington Casualty Company
Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company
Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc.
St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company
St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company

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State of Connecticut
City of Hartford ss.

By: [Signature]
Robert L. Raney, Senior Vice President

On this the 14th day of January, 2013, before me personally appeared Robert L. Raney, who acknowledged himself to be the Senior Vice President of Farmington Casualty Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company, St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.
My Commission expires the 30th day of June, 2016.



[Signature]
Marie C. Tetreault, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of Farmington Casualty Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company, St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, which resolutions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

**RESOLVED**, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents to act for and on behalf of the Company and may give such appointee such authority as his or her certificate of authority may prescribe to sign with the Company's name and seal with the Company's seal bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking, and any of said officers or the Board of Directors at any time may remove any such appointee and revoke the power given him or her; and it is

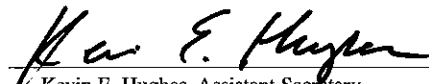
**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing and a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Secretary; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any bond, recognizance, contract of indemnity, or writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking shall be valid and binding upon the Company when (a) signed by the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and duly attested and sealed with the Company's seal by a Secretary or Assistant Secretary; or (b) duly executed (under seal, if required) by one or more Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents pursuant to the power prescribed in his or her certificate or their certificates of authority or by one or more Company officers pursuant to a written delegation of authority; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the signature of each of the following officers: President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, any Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Resident Vice Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries or Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by such facsimile signature and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding on the Company in the future with respect to any bond or understanding to which it is attached.

I, Kevin E. Hughes, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary, of Farmington Casualty Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company, St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company 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 in full force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this 30th day of May, 2013.

  
Kevin E. Hughes, Assistant Secretary



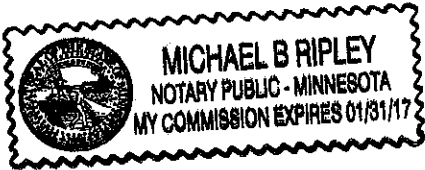
To verify the authenticity of this Power of Attorney, call 1-800-421-3880 or contact us at [www.travelersbond.com](http://www.travelersbond.com). Please refer to the Attorney-In-Fact number, the above-named individuals and the details of the bond to which the power is attached.

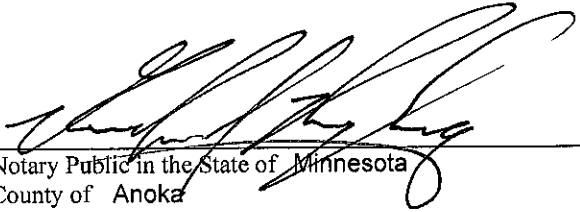
ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY SURETY

STATE OF Minnesota }  
County of Anoka } ss.

On this 30th day of May, 2013, before me personally appeared Melissa A. Solberg, known to, me to be the Attorney-in-Fact of Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, the corporation that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at my office in the aforesaid County, the day and year in this certificate first above written.



  
Notary Public in the State of Minnesota  
County of Anoka