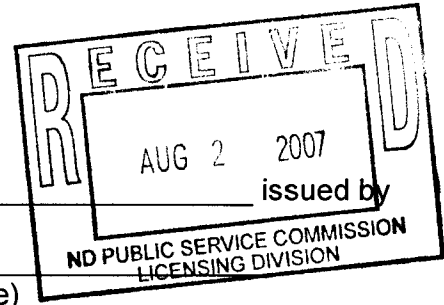


**ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE**

This endorsement forms a part of Bond No. 929367156



Western Surety Company to ND Public Service Commission  
(Surety) (Obligee)

on behalf of Pro Coop  
(Principal)

dated the 12th day of April, 2006

Effective 1st day of September, 2007

It is understood and agreed that the amount of above described bond shall be and is hereby  
 INCREASED  DECREASED

From:

Fifty thousand and no/100----- Dollars (\$ 50,000.00 )

To:

Ninety thousand and no/100----- Dollars (\$ 90,000.00 )

It is also understood and agreed that in no event shall the liability, embodied in this bond, be cumulative.

Nothing herein contained shall vary, alter or extend any of the provisions, conditions or other terms of this bond except as above stated.

Signed, sealed and dated this 18th day of July, 2007

Pro Coop  
(Principal)

By: [Signature] Manager  
(Title)

Western Surety Company

By: Jeanne M. Buchan  
Jeanne M. Buchan (Attorney-In Fact)

Accepted:

By: [Signature]  
(Title)

# Western Surety Company

## POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

Know All Men By These Presents, That WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a South Dakota corporation, is a duly organized and existing corporation having its principal office in the City of Sioux Falls, and State of South Dakota, and that it does by virtue of the signature and seal herein affixed hereby make, constitute and appoint

**William M Gleason, Audette Karan, Corwin F Tufte, Jeanne M Buchan, Debra Buckner, Barbara K Sachi, Individually**

of Inver Grove Heights, MN, its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute for and on its behalf bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature

### - In Unlimited Amounts -

and to bind it thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by a duly authorized officer of the corporation and all the acts of said Attorney, pursuant to the authority hereby given, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the By-Law printed on the reverse hereof, duly adopted, as indicated, by the shareholders of the corporation.

In Witness Whereof, WESTERN SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its Senior Vice President and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed on this 1st day of February, 2007.



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

*Paul T. Bruflat*

Paul T. Bruflat, Senior Vice President

State of South Dakota }  
County of Minnehaha } ss

On this 1st day of February, 2007, before me personally came Paul T. Bruflat, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the City of Sioux Falls, State of South Dakota; that he is the Senior Vice President of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said corporation and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporation.

My commission expires

November 30, 2012



*D. Krell*

D. Krell, Notary Public

### CERTIFICATE

I, L. Nelson, Assistant Secretary of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney hereinabove set forth is still in force, and further certify that the By-Law of the corporation printed on the reverse hereof is still in force. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the said corporation this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

*L. Nelson*

L. Nelson, Assistant Secretary

**Authorizing By-Law**

**ADOPTED BY THE SHAREHOLDERS OF WESTERN SURETY COMPANY**

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-Law duly adopted by the shareholders of the Company.

Section 7. All bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney, or other obligations of the corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of the Company by the President, Secretary, and Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize. The President, any Vice President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint Attorneys in Fact or agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies, or undertakings in the name of the Company. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney or other obligations of the corporation. The signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by facsimile.