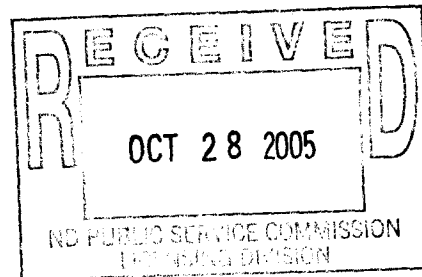




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SURETY RIDER



TO BE ATTACHED TO AND FORM PART OF

State Warehouse Bond

BOND NO. BR 3307824

IN FAVOR OF State of North Dakota - Public Service Commission

(Obligee)

ON BEHALF OF The Arthur Companies Inc.

(Principal)

EFFECTIVE DATE September 15, 1992

(Original Effective Date)

IT IS AGREED THAT, in consideration of the original premium charged for this bond, and any additional premium that may be properly chargeable as a result of this rider,

1. The Surety hereby gives its consent to:

Increase

Change Name of Principal

Decrease

Change Address of Principal

Change Effective Date

Change Expiration Date

Other Add Location

(of) the attached bond

From: _____

To: It is agreed and understood that this bond is extended to include a recently acquired location at Page, North Dakota

Effective: March 31st, 2005

2. PROVIDED, however, that this attached bond shall be subject to all its agreements, limitations, and considerations except as herein expressly modified, and that the liability of the Surety under the attached bond and under the attached bond as changed by this rider shall not be cumulative.

3. Signed and sealed this 31st day of March, 2005.

ACCEPTED BY:

Farmland Mutual Insurance Company

BY: Ronald L. Bruder
Ronald L. Bruder, Attorney in Fact



Farmland Mutual Insurance Company

1100 LOCUST STREET
DES MOINES IA 50391-3000

I, the undersigned, Secretary of FARMLAND MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, DES MOINES, IOWA do hereby certify that the following have been duly appointed Resident Officers or Attorneys-in-Fact of FARMLAND MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, DES MOINES, IOWA by the Board of Directors of the Company:

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Des Moines, Iowa

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MAR 31 2005

Given under my hand and the seal of the company at Des Moines, Iowa this _____ day of

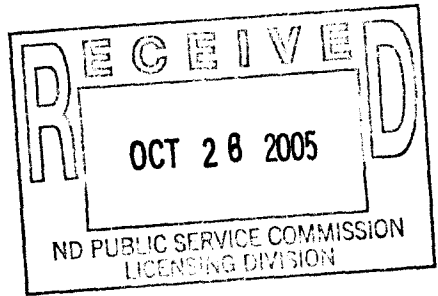
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Increase

Change Name of Principal

Decrease

Change Address of Principal

Change Effective Date

Change Expiration Date

Other _____

(of) the attached bond

From: One Million Forty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$1,040,000.00)

To: One Million Five Hundred Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$1,500,000.00)

Effective: October 6, 2004

2. PROVIDED, however, that this attached bond shall be subject to all its agreements, limitations, and considerations except as herein expressly modified, and that the liability of the Surety under the attached bond and under the attached bond as changed by this rider shall not be cumulative.

3. Signed and sealed this 6th day of October, 2004.

ACCEPTED BY:

Farmland Mutual Insurance Company

BY: _____

Ronald L. Bruder, Attorney in Fact

Farmland Mutual Insurance Company

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Given under my hand and the seal of the company at Des Moines, Iowa this 6th day of October 20 04.



Therese W. Abery

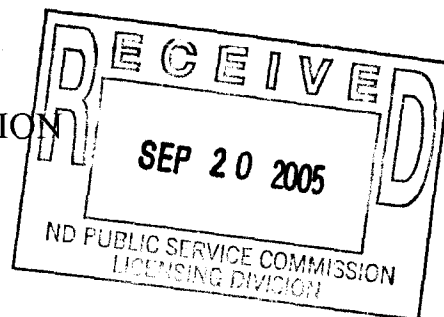
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NOTICE OF ASSUMPTION



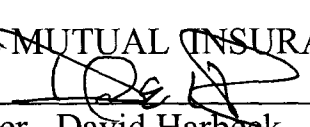
TO OBLIGEE: State of North Dakota
Public Service Commission
State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505

RE: PRINCIPAL: The Arthur Companies, Inc.
PO Box 145
Arthur, North Dakota 58006

Please be advised that as of September, 15, 2005,
NATIONWIDE MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY assumes
all liability of Bond Number BR 3307824 written by
FARMLAND MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY now under
Bond number BD 693624.

All other terms and conditions of said bond remain unchanged.

NATIONWIDE MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY



Corporate Officer David Harbeck

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Ohio, with its principal office in the City of Columbus, Ohio, hereinafter called ACompany, does hereby make, constitute and appoint

Sandra S. Alitz Pamela Berkland Richelle L. Boggess Dixie D. Brown Ronald L. Bruder Jeri Eldredge
Stephanie Finney Tim Foreman Grant R. Goodenow David E. Harbeck Brett E. Harman Heidi Harsin
Kelly Hemmer Peter Karney Elizabeth Moore Robert C. Mosher Becky Nichols
Maggie Ochanpaugh Spencer Paris Roberta A. Ratchford Larry D. Slegh Deanna Spaur
Patricia M. Vermace Kim Wells Stephen M. Welsh Carmon R. Wilson Fayth Wingerter

each in their individual capacity, its true and lawful Attorney-In-Fact with full power and authority to sign, seal, and execute on its behalf any and all bonds and undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature in penalties not exceeding the sum of FIVE MILLION AND NO/100 (\$5,000,000.00) dollars

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

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following resolution duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company.

ARE SOLVED, that the President, or any Senior Vice President, Vice President, Resident Vice President or Second Vice President be, and the same hereby is, authorized and empowered to appoint Attorneys-In-Fact of the Company and to authorize them to execute any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, policies, contracts guaranteeing the fidelity of persons holding positions of public or private trust, and other writings obligatory in nature which the business of the Company may require; and to modify or revoke, with or without cause, any such appointment or authority. The authority granted hereby shall in no way limit the authority of other duly authorized agents to sign and countersign any of said documents on behalf of the Company.

ARE SOLVED FURTHER, that such Attorneys-in-Fact shall have full power and authority to execute and deliver any and all such documents and to bind the Company, subject to the terms and limitations of the power of attorney issued to them, and to affix the seal of the Company thereto, provided, however, that said seal shall not be necessary for the validity of any such documents.

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the following By-Laws duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company

ARTICLE VIII

Section 10. Execution of Instruments. Any Vice President and any Assistant Secretary or Assistant Treasurer shall have the power and authority to sign or attest all approved documents, instruments, contracts or other papers in connection with the operation of the business of the company in addition to the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, President, Treasurer and Secretary; provided, however, the signature of any of them may be printed, engraved or stamped on any approved document, contract, instrument or other papers of the company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company has caused this instrument to be sealed and duly attested by the signature of its President the 15th day of October, 2003.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF Iowa
COUNTY OF Polk SS



By [Signature]

President

On this 15th day of October, 2003, before me came the above named President for Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, to me personally known to be the officer described in and who executed the preceding instrument, and he acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn, deposes and says, that he is the officer of the Company aforesaid, that the seal affixed thereto is the corporate seal of said Company, and the said corporate seal and his signature were duly affixed and subscribed to said instrument by the authority and direction of said Company.

[Signature]

Notary Public
My Commission Expires March 24, 2008



CERTIFICATE

I, John F. Delaloye, Assistant Secretary of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the original Power of Attorney issued by said Company; that the Resolution included therein is a true and correct transcript from the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors duly called and held on the 15th day of October, 2003, and the same has not been revoked or amended in any manner; that said Stephen S. Rasmussen was on the date of the execution of the foregoing Power of Attorney the duly elected President of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company and the corporate seal and his signature as President were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority of said Board of Directors; and the foregoing Power of Attorney is still in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name as Assistant Secretary, and affixed the corporate seal of said Company this day of

SEP 15 2005



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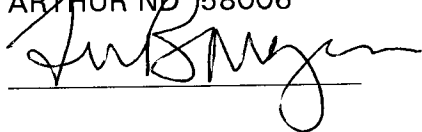
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BOND CHANGE ENDORSEMENT

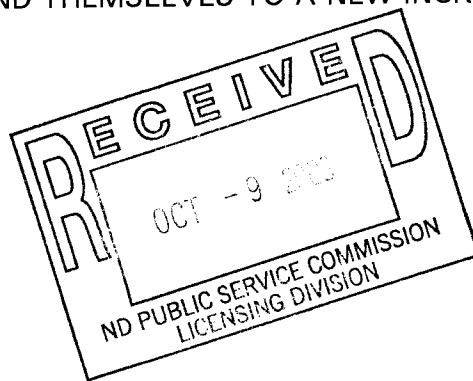
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THE ARTHUR COMPANIES INC
ARTHUR ND 58006



BY _____



Ronald J. Brader
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

AUTHORITY OF SIGNERS FOR SURETY

TRANSCRIPTS FROM THE BY-LAWS AND RECORD BOOK OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Farmland Mutual Insurance Company

1100 LOCUST STREET
DES MOINES IA 50391-3000

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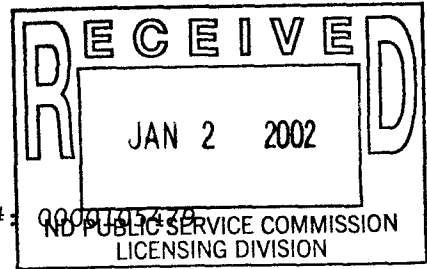
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Given under my hand and the seal of the company at Des Moines, Iowa
this _____ 19TH _____ day of
SEPTEMBER _____ 20 03 .



Thom W. Boden
Secretary



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POLICY #: BR 3307824 - Continous Bond Coverage - CLIENT #: 0009141449
ND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
LICENSING DIVISION

ENDORSEMENT

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THE ARTHUR COMPANIES INC
ARTHUR ND 58006

Joe Bergum
BY Pres

Ronald J. Bender
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

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Farmland Mutual Insurance Company

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Given under my hand and the seal of the company at Des Moines, Iowa this 13TH day of DECEMBER 20 01.

James W. Boden
Secretary



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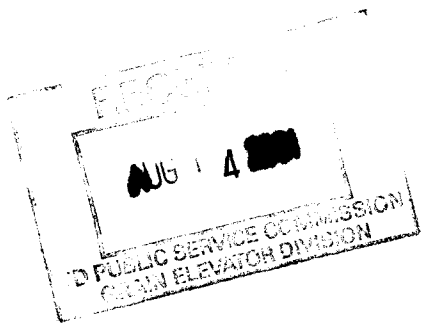
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THIS ALSO INCLUDES ANAMOOSE ND LOCATION.

THE ARTHUR COMPANIES INC
ARTHUR, ND 58006

[Handwritten Signature]

BY *[Handwritten Signature]*

[Handwritten Signature]
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT



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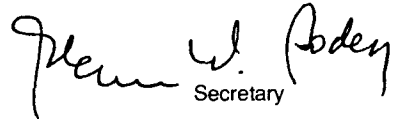
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Given under my hand and the seal of the company at Des Moines, Iowa this 2ND day of JULY 20 01.


Secretary



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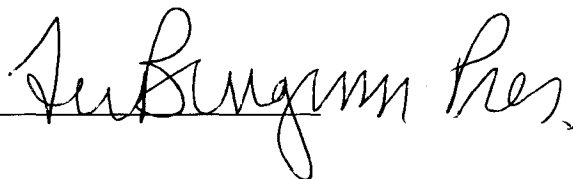
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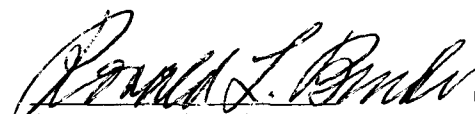
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THE ARTHUR COMPANIES INC
ARTHUR, ND 58006

BY




ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

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AUGUST 20 01 .

William W. Boden
Secretary



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THE ARTHUR COMPANIES INC
ARTHUR, ND 58006

BY Andrew M. P.

Ronald J. Brubaker
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THE ARTHUR COMPANIES INC
ARTHUR, ND 58006

~~Arthur Companies Inc.~~ Arthur Companies Inc., (Inc)

BY ~~Arthur Companies Inc.~~

ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

Ronald J. Pruder

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Dennis W. Belich
Secretary



ENDORSEMENT

Additional Premium _____

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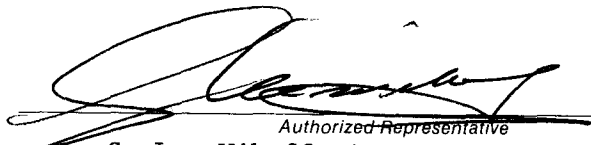
This endorsement is written notice that the State of North Dakota Warehouseman's Bond No. 7824 issued to Farmers Elevator Company of Arthur, Arthur, North Dakota as Principal, and Farmland Mutual Insurance Company, Des Moines, Iowa as Surety, is hereby amended to a name change. This bond will read as follows and is effective the First (1st) Day of February, 1994.

The Arthur Companies Inc
PO Box 145
Arthur, ND 58006

All other provisions of this bond remain unchanged.

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This endorsement forms a part of the policy to which attached effective from its date of issue.


Authorized Representative
S. Lee Wikoff, Attorney-In-Fact

THE FOLLOWING SPACES ARE TO BE COMPLETED ONLY IF THIS ENDORSEMENT IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE POLICY WHEN ISSUED

BR-7824
Policy No.

February 1, 1994
Effective Date

The Arthur Companies Inc
Arthur, North Dakota
Insured

STATE OF Iowa }
County of Polk } ss.

On this ... 1st ... day of ... February ... , 19... 94 , before me, a Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared S. Lee Wikoff , personally known to me who being by me sworn did state that he is Attorney-in-Fact of the FARMLAND MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Iowa, that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation; that the instrument was signed, sealed and executed in behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors and further acknowledged that the said instrument and the execution thereof to be the voluntary act and deed of said corporation, by him voluntarily executed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed by official seal at

..... Des Moines, Iowa, the day and year last above written

My Commission expires

Marilyn Penzance
.....
Notary Public

..... December 12th , 19... 94

AUTHORITY OF SIGNERS FOR SURETY

TRANSCRIPTS FROM THE BY-LAWS AND RECORD BOOK OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Farmland Mutual Insurance Company

1963 BELL AVENUE, DES MOINES, IOWA 50315

I, the undersigned, Secretary of FARMLAND MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, DES MOINES, IOWA do hereby certify that the following have been duly appointed Resident Officers or Attorneys-in-Fact of FARMLAND MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, DES MOINES, IOWA by the Board of Directors of the Company:

Ronald L. Bruder, Attorney-in-Fact

Des Moines, Iowa

Mary L. Murphy, Attorney-in-Fact

Des Moines, Iowa

S. Lee Wikoff, Attorney-in-Fact

Des Moines, Iowa

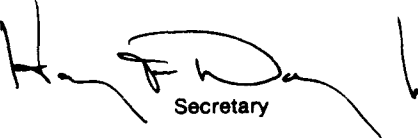
I do further certify that the authority of the Resident Officers or Attorneys-in-Fact, listed above, is in full force and effect.

I do further certify that the following transcript from Article IX, Section 1 of the Amended By-Laws of FARMLAND MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, DES MOINES, IOWA is a just, true and correct copy of the original thereof and is still in full force and effect.

Article IX, Section 1: All policies, bonds, recognizances, stipulations and all underwriting undertakings shall be valid:

1. When signed by the Chairman of the Board, or the President, or a Vice-President, or a Resident Vice-President, or a Departmental Manager, and Secretary or an Assistant Secretary, or a Resident Assistant Secretary or other duly authorized official or agent of the corporation and when sealed with the seal of the corporation where required by law; or
2. When executed by an Attorney-in-Fact.
3. A facsimile signature of an officer shall be effective and binding upon the corporation with the same force and effect as the original signatures of any such officers.

Given under my hand and the seal of the company at Des Moines, Iowa this _____ 1st
February _____ 19 94 _____ day of


Secretary

