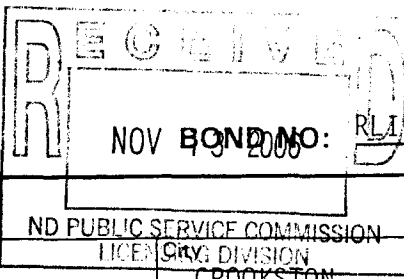




ROVING GRAIN BUYER'S BOND
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
 SFN 52019 (05-99)



NOV BOND NO: RL1-602920

PRINCIPAL

Name ROBERT SCHEAR DBA R S GRAIN			
Address 22861 COUNTY HWY 252 SW		State MN	Zip Code 56716

SURETY

Name OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY			
Address PO BOX 1976		City DES MOINES	State IA
		Zip Code 50305	

We, the above named PRINCIPAL and SURETY are bound to the State of North Dakota in the penal sum of FIFTY THOUSAND AND NO/100-- for the use and benefit of all persons selling grain to or through the PRINCIPAL. The payment of the penal sum shall bind ourselves, our heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally.

The PRINCIPAL has made application to the North Dakota Public Service Commission (Commission), to be licensed as a "Roving Grain Buyer", entitled to do business as such any place within the State of North Dakota.

The condition of this obligation is as follows: if the PRINCIPAL shall (1) faithfully perform all duties as a roving grain buyer, (2) comply with the provisions of law and the rules of the Commission applicable to the business of a roving grain buyer, and (3) pay for all grain purchased or marketed and all sums for which the PRINCIPAL shall become liable to persons dealing with the PRINCIPAL or his agent or agents within the State of North Dakota from loss or damage by reason of any violation of law or rules applicable to the business of a roving grain buyer, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise it shall remain in effect, provided, however, that this surety bond shall not accrue to the benefit of any person entering into a credit-sale contract with the PRINCIPAL.

Liability for this undertaking commences on November 1, 2006, and shall be continuous unless the SURETY by certified mail notifies the PRINCIPAL and the Commission that the surety bond has been canceled. The cancellation notice shall state that the surety bond will be canceled ninety (90) days after the receipt of the cancellation notice or on a later date specified by the SURETY. In no event shall the aggregate liability of the SURETY accumulate for each successive annual license renewal period during which the bond is in force but, for losses during any annual license renewal period, shall be limited in the aggregate to the bond amount stated or changed by appropriate endorsement or rider.

The liability of the SURETY for any violation of the obligations hereof by the PRINCIPAL during the period of time the bond remains in effect, shall remain in force thereafter for such period of time as may be permitted under the laws of the State of North Dakota.

This bond, including definitions of the terms used herein, are governed by the provisions of Chapter 60-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code.

Countersigned by North Dakota Resident Agent: Name/Signature:			
Address		City	ND Zip Code

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY PRINCIPAL

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL

State of Minnesota)
 County of Polk) ss.
 On this 8th day of November, 2006,
 before me personally appeared Robert Schear
 known to me to be the person or said corporation described in and who executed the within instrument as PRINCIPAL and acknowledged to me that he/she or said corporation executed the same.

Beth C. Benoit
 Signature of Principal
Beth C. Benoit
 Notary Public
 My Commission expires 1-31-10

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY SURETY

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURETY
 (Corporate Officer)

State of IOWA)
 County of POLK) ss.
 On this 6th day of November, 2006,
 before me personally appeared D. ENDERSON
 known to me to be ATTORNEY IN FACT
 of said corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument as SURETY, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

D. ENDERSON ATTORNEY IN FACT
 Name and Title of Person Signing for Surety
D. Enderson
 Signature
M. Bittner
 Notary Public
 My Commission expires 4/07/2008

(SEAL) **BETH C. BENOIT**
 NOTARY PUBLIC - MINNESOTA
 Commission Expires Jan 31, 2010
 Telephone 701-328-4097
 Fax 701-328-2410

(SEAL) **M. BITTNER**
 COMMISSION NO. 152999
 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
 4-7-2008



POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a Wisconsin stock insurance corporation, does make, constitute and appoint:

M. BITTNER, C. SCHIERNBECK, C. BRANNAN, P. SALAZAR, R. ALLEN, D. ENDERSON, J. ASCHAN, OF DES MOINES, IA

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power and authority, not exceeding \$10,000,000, for and on behalf of the company as surety, to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company thereto (if a seal is required), bonds, undertakings, recognizances or other written obligations in the nature thereof, (other than bail bonds, bank depository bonds, mortgage deficiency bonds, mortgage guaranty bonds, guarantees of installment paper and note guaranty bonds, self-insurance workers compensation bonds guaranteeing payment of benefits, asbestos abatement contract bonds, waste management bonds, hazardous waste remediation bonds or black lung bonds), as follows:

ALL WRITTEN INSTRUMENTS

and to bind OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY thereby, and all of the acts of said Attorneys-in-Fact, pursuant to these presents, are ratified and confirmed. This document is not valid unless printed on colored background and is multi-colored. This appointment is made under and by authority of the board of directors at a special meeting held on February 18, 1982. This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the board of directors of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY on February 18, 1982.

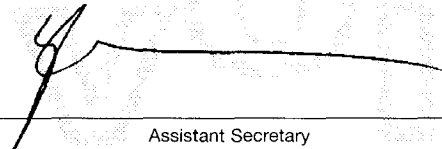
RESOLVED that, the president, any vice-president, or assistant vice president in conjunction with the secretary or any assistant secretary, may appoint attorneys-in-fact or agents with authority as defined or limited in the instrument evidencing the appointment in each case, for and on behalf of the company to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company to bonds, undertakings, recognizances, and suretyship obligations of all kinds; and said officers may remove any such attorney-in-fact or agent and revoke any Power of Attorney previously granted to such person.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or suretyship obligation shall be valid and binding upon the Company

- (i) when signed by the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, and attested and sealed (if a seal be required) by any secretary or assistant secretary; or
- (ii) when signed by the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, secretary or assistant secretary, and countersigned and sealed (if a seal be required) by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact or agent; or
- (iii) when duly executed and sealed (if a seal be required) by one or more attorneys-in-fact or agents pursuant to and within the limits of the authority evidenced by the Power of Attorney issued by the company to such person or persons.

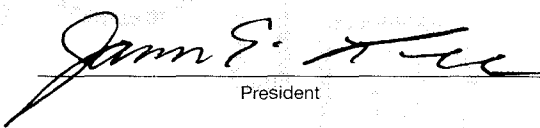
RESOLVED FURTHER, that the signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the company; and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its proper officer, and its corporate seal to be affixed this 26TH day of OCTOBER, 2006.



Assistant Secretary



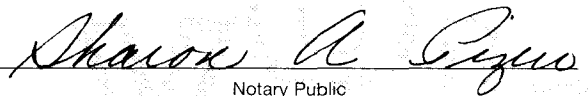
OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY


President

STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY OF WAUKESHA - SS

On this 26TH day of OCTOBER, 2006, personally came before me, JAMES E. LEE and RICK A. JOHNSON to me known to be the individuals and officers of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY who executed the above instrument, and they each acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn, did severally depose and say; that they are said officers of the corporation aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the above instrument is the seal of the corporation, and that said corporate seal and their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority of the board of directors of said corporation.





Notary Public
My commission expires: 01/18/2009

CERTIFICATE

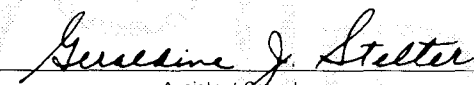
I, the undersigned, assistant secretary of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a Wisconsin corporation, CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Power of Attorney remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore, that the Resolutions of the board of directors set forth in the Power of Attorney, are now in force.

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Signed and sealed at the City of Brookfield, WI this 6th day of November 2006

OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY



Assistant Secretary

THIS DOCUMENT HAS A COLORED BACKGROUND AND IS MULTI-COLORED ON THE FACE. THE COMPANY LOGO APPEARS ON THE BACK OF THIS DOCUMENT AS A WATERMARK. IF THESE FEATURES ARE ABSENT, THIS DOCUMENT IS VOID.