

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Oblige, issued by **Western Surety Company**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1st, 1996.

Effective October 30th, 20 07, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED** from:

Nine hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 925,000.00)

to:

Nine hundred sixty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 965,000.00)

Effective March 31st, 20 08, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED** from:

Nine hundred sixty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 965,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 805,000.00)

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.

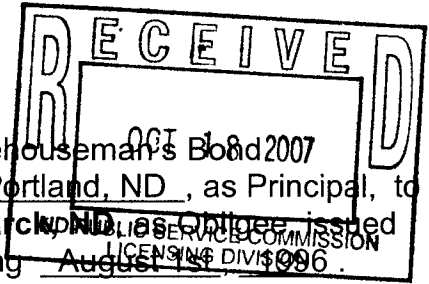
Signed, sealed and dated this 31st day of October, 20 07.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: Richard Moen, President (Principal)
(Title)

Western Surety Company
BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: Susan Richter
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE



This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond 2007 No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND** as Obligor, issued by **Western Surety Company**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1st, 1996.

Effective October 2nd, 20 07, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED** from:

Eight hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 805,000.00)

to:

Nine hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 925,000.00)

Effective March 31st, 20 08, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED** from:

Nine hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 925,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 805,000.00)

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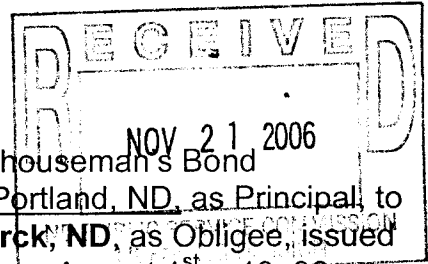
Signed, sealed and dated this 2nd day of October, 20 07.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: Richard Moen, President (Principal)
(Title)

Western Surety Company
BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: Susan K Richter
(Title)

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Effective October 25th, 20 06, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED from:**

Eight hundred fifty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 855,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred ninety-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 895,000.00)

Effective February 28th, 20 07, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED from:**

Eight hundred ninety-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 895,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 805,000.00)

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

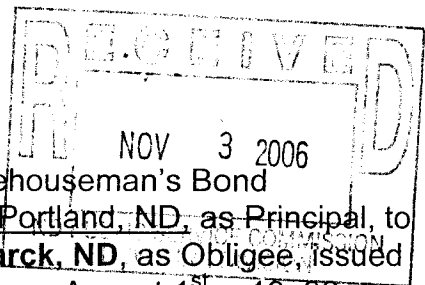
Nothing herein contained shall vary, alter or extend any of the provisions, conditions or other terms of this bond except as above stated.

Signed, sealed and dated this 26th day of October, 20 06.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: Neil Engen (Principal)
President
(Title)

Western Surety Company
BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: Susan K. Puckler
(Title)



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Effective October 19th, 20 06, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED from:**

Eight hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 805,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred fifty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 855,000.00)

Effective February 28th, 20 07, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED from:**

Eight hundred fifty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 855,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 805,000.00)

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.

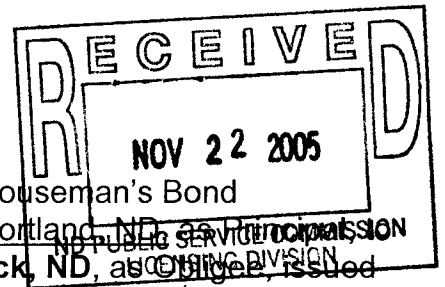
Signed, sealed and dated this 20th day of October, 20 06.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: Neil Enger (Principal)
President (Title)

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: Susan A. Richter
(Title)

Western Surety Company
BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE



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Effective October 24th, 20 05, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED** from:

Eight hundred fifteen thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 815,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred ninety thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 890,000.00)

Effective February 28th, 20 06, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED** from:

Eight hundred ninety thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 890,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 805,000.00)

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.

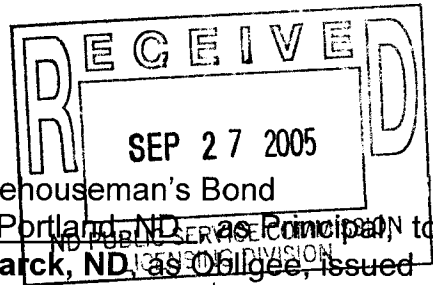
Signed, sealed and dated this 26th day of October, 20 05.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: Neil Egan (Principal)
President (Title)

Western Surety Company
BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: Susan K. Richter
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE



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Effective September 2nd, 20 05, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED** from:

Seven hundred seventy thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 770,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred fifteen thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 815,000.00)

Effective December 30th, 20 05, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED** from:

Eight hundred fifteen thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 815,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred ten thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 810,000.00)

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.

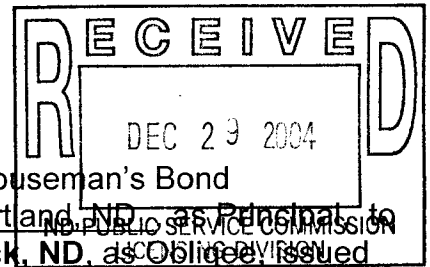
Signed, sealed and dated this 8th day of September, 20 05.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: Neil Enger (Principal)
President (Title)

Western Surety Company
BY: Jacqui Wacker
Jacqui Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: Susan H. Rukter
(Title)

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Effective November 25th, 20 04, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED** from:

Seven hundred seventy thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 770,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 800,000.00)

Effective March 30th, 20 05, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED** from:

Eight hundred thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 800,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred seventy thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 770,000.00)

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

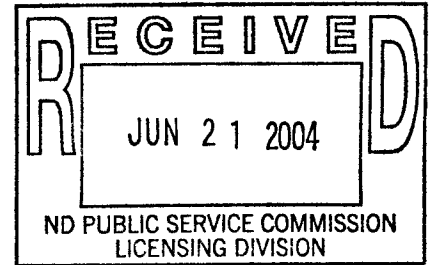
Nothing herein contained shall vary, alter or extend any of the provisions, conditions or other terms of this bond except as above stated.

Signed, sealed and dated this 2nd day of December, 20 04.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
Pres (Title)

Western Surety Company
BY: [Signature]
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)



ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITY CERTIFICATE

Obligee: State of North Dakota Public Service Comm. 600 E. Boulevard Ave Bismarck, ND 58505

Principal: Mayport Farmers Co-Op PO Box 338 Portland, ND 58274

Effective 08/01/04 this Certificate assumes liability on Bond Number 141553095

executed and previously filed by American Casualty Company of Reading, PA

hereinafter referred to as the Company, in favor of the above-named Obligee.

This certifies that, in consideration of the Agreements and covenants herein contained and other good and valuable consideration, WESTERN SURETY COMPANY hereby assumes liability as surety under the above described bond.

BY ISSUANCE OF THIS CERTIFICATE IT IS AGREED:

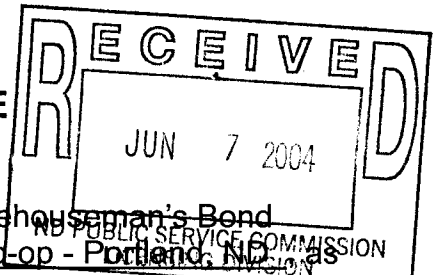
1. That the liability of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY under said bond (a) shall be subject to all of the terms, conditions, limitations and warranties contained in said bond and any amendment thereto or agreement between the Obligee and the Company affecting the same; and (b) shall in no event be greater than would have been the liability of the Company had this Certificate not been issued.
2. That all rights of the Company, which would have been available to the Company by reason of its suretyship under the aforementioned bond, or otherwise, if this Certificate had not been executed, shall inure to the benefit of and be fully enforceable by WESTERN SURETY COMPANY.
3. Signed and dated this 16th day of June, 2004.



BY: Paul T. Bruflat
Paul T. Bruflat, Senior Vice President
Western Surety Company

Certified Mail No. 7003-1680-0002-0652-8387

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Effective May 25th, 20 04, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED /-DECREASED-**

From:

Seven hundred sixty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 760,000.00----)

To:

Seven hundred seventy thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 770,000.00----)

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 25th day of May, 20 04.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
(Principal)

BY: [Signature] Pres.
(Title)

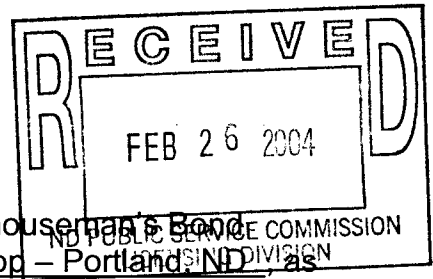
American Casualty Company of Reading,

BY: [Signature]
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission

BY: [Signature]
(Title)

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Effective February 28th, 20 04, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby ~~INCREASED~~ / **DECREASED**

From:

Seven hundred eighty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 785,000.00----)

To:

Seven hundred sixty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 760,000.00----)

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

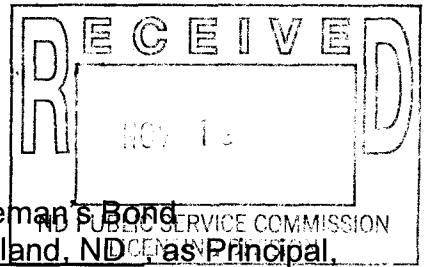
Nothing herein contained shall vary, alter or extend any of the provisions, conditions or other terms of this bond except as above stated.

Signed, sealed and dated this 20th day of February, 20 04.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading,
BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)



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Effective October 27th, 20 03, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED from:**

Eight hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 825,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred forty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 845,000.00)

Effective December 31st, 20 03, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED from:**

Eight hundred forty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 845,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 825,000.00)

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

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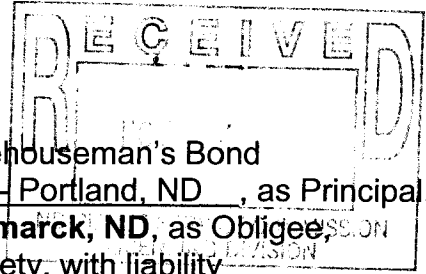
Signed, sealed and dated this 28th day of October, 20 03.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
G.M. (Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: [Signature]
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE



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Effective October 14th, 2003, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED from:**

Seven hundred eighty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 785,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 825,000.00)

Effective February 28th, 2004, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED from:**

Eight hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 825,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred eighty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 785,000.00)

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 21st day of October, 2003.

Mayport Farmers Co-op

BY: [Signature] (Principal)
[Signature] (Title)

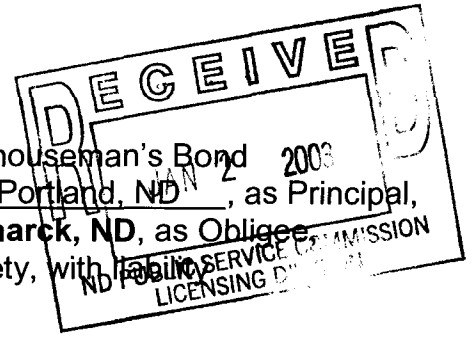
American Casualty Company of Reading, PA

BY: [Signature]
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission

BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE



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Effective November 18th, 20 02, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED** from:

Seven hundred ninety-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 795,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 805,000.00)

Effective March 31st, 20 03, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED** from:

Eight hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 805,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred eighty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 785,000.00)

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.

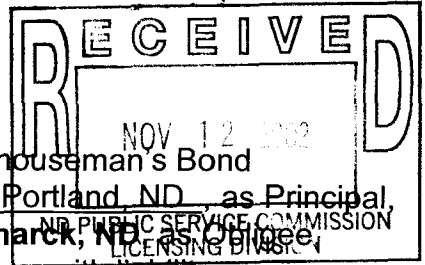
Signed, sealed and dated this 19th day of November, 20 02.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
MANAGER
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: [Signature]
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE



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Effective October 25th, 20 02, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED from:**

Seven hundred eighty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 785,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred ninety-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 795,000.00)

Effective March 31st, 20 03, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED from:**

Seven hundred ninety-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 795,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred eighty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 785,000.00)

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

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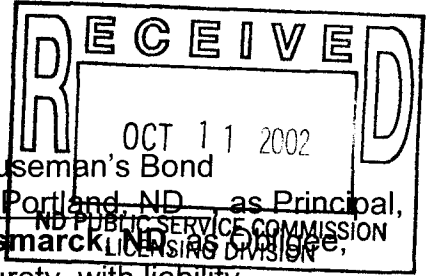
Signed, sealed and dated this 28th day of October, 20 02.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: [Signature]
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)

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Effective September 20th, 20 02, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED / ~~DECREASED~~**

From:

Seven hundred sixty-five thousand and No/100ths----- (\$ 765,000.00----)

To:

Seven hundred eighty-five thousand and No/100ths----- (\$ 785,000.00----)

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 24th day of September, 20 02.

Mayport Farmers Co-op

BY: [Signature] (Principal)
Manager (Title)

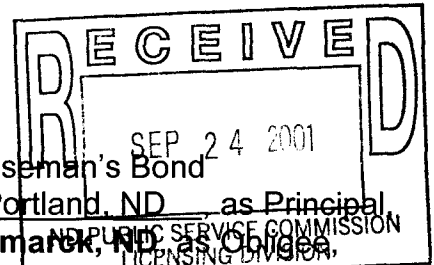
American Casualty Company of Reading, PA

BY: [Signature]
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission

BY: [Signature]
(Title)

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Effective September 12th, 20 02, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED / ~~DECREASED~~**

From:

Seven hundred forty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 745,000.00----)

To:

Seven hundred sixty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 765,000.00----)

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.

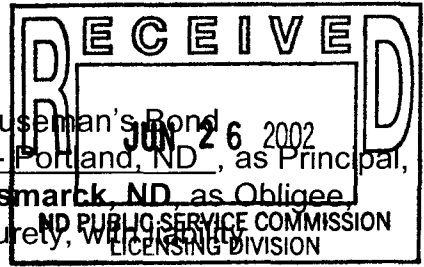
Signed, sealed and dated this 11th day of September, 20 02.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE



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Effective June 6th, 20 02, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED / ~~DECREASED~~**

From:

Seven hundred forty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 740,000.00----)

To:

Seven hundred forty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 745,000.00----)

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 5th day of June, 20 02.

Mayport Farmers Co-op

BY: [Signature] (Principal)
MANAGER (Title)

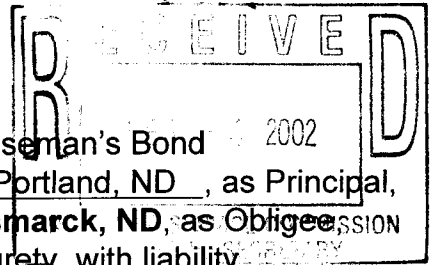
American Casualty Company of Reading, PA

BY: [Signature]
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission

BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE



This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Obligor, issued by **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1st, 19 96.

Effective January 2nd, 20 02, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby ~~INCREASED~~ / **DECREASED**

From:

Seven hundred sixty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 760,000.00----)

To:

Seven hundred forty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 740,000.00----)

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 2nd day of January, 20 02.

Mayport Farmers Co-op

BY: [Signature] (Principal)
(Title)

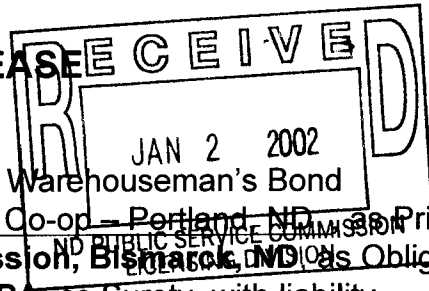
American Casualty Company of Reading, PA

BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission

BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE



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Effective December 13th, 20 01, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby ~~INCREASED~~ / DECREASED

From:

Seven hundred eighty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 780,000.00----)

To:

Seven hundred sixty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 760,000.00----)

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 14th day of December, 20 01.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
Manager (Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

OCT 31 2001

This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Obligee, issued by **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1st, 19 96.

Effective October 9th, 20 01, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED** from:

Seven hundred eighty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 780,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred ninety thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 790,000.00)

Effective October 31st, 20 01, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED** from:

Seven hundred ninety thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 790,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred eighty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 780,000.00)

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 9th day of October, 20 01.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

OCT 1 2001

This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Obligee, issued by **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1st, 19 96.

Effective September 20th, 20 01, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED from:**

Seven hundred sixty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 760,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred eighty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 780,000.00)

Effective March 30th, 20 02, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED from:**

Seven hundred eighty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 780,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred sixty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 760,000.00)

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 24th day of September, 20 01.

Mayport Farmers Co-op

BY: [Signature] (Principal)
[Signature] (Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA

BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission

BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

MAY 22 2001

This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Obligee, issued by **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1st, 19 96.

Effective May 14th, 20 01, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby ~~INCREASED~~ / DECREASED

From:

Seven hundred eighty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 785,000.00----)

To:

Seven hundred sixty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 760,000.00----)

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 14th day of May, 20 01.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
Manager (Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: [Signature]
Jacqi Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

NOV 2

This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Obligee, issued by **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1st, 19 96.

Effective October 23rd, 20 00, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED from:**

Eight hundred forty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 840,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred eighty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 880,000.00)

Effective January 31st, 20 01, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED from:**

Eight hundred eighty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 880,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred eighty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 785,000.00)

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 24th day of October, 20 00.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: [Signature]
Jacq Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

OCT 20 2000

This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Obligee, issued by **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1st, 19 96.

Effective October 9th, 20 00, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED from:**

Eight hundred thirty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 830,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred forty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 840,000.00)

Effective January 31st, 20 01, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED from:**

Eight hundred forty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 840,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred eighty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 785,000.00)

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 10th day of October, 20 00.

Adding Location:
Howard Ostrom Shed

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: [Signature]
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

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Effective October 1st, 20 00, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED** from:

Eight hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 805,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred thirty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 830,000.00)

Effective January 31st, 20 01, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED** from:

Eight hundred thirty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 830,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred eighty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 780,000.00)

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 September, 20 00.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
(Principal)

BY: _____
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA

BY: Jacqui Wacker
Jacqui Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission

BY: _____
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

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Effective August 1st, 20 00, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED** from:

Seven hundred eighty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 780,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 805,000.00)

Effective December 31st, 20 00, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED** from:

Eight hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 805,000.00)

to:

Seven hundred eighty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 780,000.00)

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 26th day of July, 20 00.

Mayport Farmers Co-op

(Principal)
BY: _____

(Title)

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: Jacci Wacker

Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

BY: _____

(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

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Effective July 31st, 20 00, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby ~~INCREASED~~ / DECREASED

From:

Eight hundred ten thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 810,000.00---)

To:

Seven hundred eighty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 780,000.00---)

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 26th day of July, 20 00.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
(Principal)

BY: _____
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA

BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission

BY: _____
(Title)

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ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

MAR 6 2000

This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Obligee, issued by **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1st, 19 96.

Effective February 17th, 20 00, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby ~~INCREASED~~ / **DECREASED**

From:

Eight hundred twenty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 820,000.00----)

To:

Eight hundred ten thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 810,000.00----)

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 22nd day of February, 20 00.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: [Signature]
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

JAN 4 2000

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Effective December 6th, 19 99, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **DECREASED from:**

Eight hundred fifty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 855,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred forty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 840,000.00)

Effective January 31st, 20 00, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED from:**

Eight hundred forty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 840,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred twenty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 820,000.00)

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 7th day of December, 19 99.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: Samuel Amb, Pres. (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: _____
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

NOV 16

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Effective October 25th, 19 99, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED** from:

Eight hundred thirty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 835,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred fifty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 855,000.00)

Effective January 31st, 20 00, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED** from:

Eight hundred fifty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 855,000.00)

to:

Eight hundred thirty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 835,000.00)

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 26th day of October, 19 99.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: Parnell Abub, Pres. (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: Susan Richter
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

OCT 27

This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Obligee, issued by **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1st, 19 96.

Effective October 13th, 19 99, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED /-DECREASED-**

From:

Eight hundred thirty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 830,000.00----)

To:

Eight hundred thirty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 835,000.00----)

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 13th day of October, 19 99.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: *Samuel Pratt, Pres.* (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: *Jacci Wacker*
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: *Susan K. Richter*
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

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Effective August 11th, 19 99, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED /-DECREASED-**

From:

Eight hundred thirty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 835,000.00----)

To:

Eight hundred fifty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 855,000.00----)

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 11th day of August, 19 99.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: *Samuel Post, Pres.* (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: *Jacci Wacker*
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: *[Signature]*
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

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Effective August 1st, 19 99, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **DECREASED**

From:

One million one hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 1,105,000.00----)

To:

Eight hundred thirty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 835,000.00----)

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 27th day of July, 19 99.

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA

BY: Jacqui Wacker
Jacqui Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission

BY: [Signature]
(Title)

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

APR 1 1999

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Effective March 18th, 19 99, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby ~~INCREASED~~ / **DECREASED**

From:

One million one hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 1,125,000.00----)

To:

One million one hundred five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 1,105,000.00----)

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 March, 19 99.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: *Samuel Ant, Pres.* (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: *Jacci Wacker*
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: *Susan A. Pettie*
(Title)

POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

Know All Men By These Presents, That CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, an Illinois corporation, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, a Connecticut corporation, AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA, a Pennsylvania corporation (herein collectively called "the CCC Surety Companies"), are duly organized and existing corporations having their principal offices in the City of Chicago, and State of Illinois, and that they do by virtue of the signature and seals herein affixed hereby make, constitute and appoint T. P. Killeen, Ross G. Sinclair, Annette K. Rengel, Lori L. Robinson, Lois E. Wynecoop, J. Danelski, Douglas L. Miller, Mike Eberhardy, Jacci Wacker, Individually

of Minneapolis, Minnesota

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

- In Unlimited Amounts -

and to bind them thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by a duly authorized officer of their corporations 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-Laws and Resolutions, printed on the reverse hereof, duly adopted, as indicated, by the Boards of Directors of the corporations.

In Witness Whereof, the CCC Surety Companies have caused these presents to be signed by their Group Vice President and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed on this 12th day of October, 1998.



CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

Marvin J. Cashion

Marvin J. Cashion

Group Vice President

State of Illinois, County of Cook, ss:

On this 12th day of October, 1998, before me personally came

Marvin J. Cashion, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois; that he is a Group Vice President of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, and AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seals of said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; that they were so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Boards of Directors of said corporations and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporations.



My Commission Expires March 6, 2000

Mary Jo Abel

Mary Jo Abel

Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

I, Mary A. Ribikawskis, Assistant Secretary of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, and AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney herein above set forth is still in force, and further certify that the By-Law and Resolution of the Board of Directors of each corporation printed on the reverse hereof are still in force. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seals of the said corporations this 18th day of March, 1999.



CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

Mary A. Ribikawskis

Mary A. Ribikawskis

Assistant Secretary

Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY:

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

"Article IX—Execution of Documents

Section 3. Appointment of Attorney-in-fact. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President may, from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Company in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach the seal of the Company thereto. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President or the Board of Directors, may, at any time, revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact."

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

"Resolved, that the signature of the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to Section 3 of Article IX of the By-Laws, and the signature of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed shall, with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Company."

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA:

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

"Article VI—Execution of Obligations and Appointment of Attorney-in-Fact

Section 2. Appointment of Attorney-in-fact. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President may, from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Company in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach the seal of the Company thereto. The President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact."

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

"Resolved, that the signature of the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to Section 2 of Article VI of the By-Laws, and the signature of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed shall, with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Company."

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD:

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following Resolution duly adopted on February 17, 1993 by the Board of Directors of the Company.

"RESOLVED: That the President, an Executive Vice President, or any Senior or Group Vice President of the Corporation may, from time to time, appoint, by written certificates, Attorneys-in-Fact to act in behalf of the Corporation in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such Attorney-in-Fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instrument and to attach the seal of the Corporation thereto. The President, an Executive Vice President, any Senior or Group Vice President or the Board of Directors may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any Attorney-in-Fact."

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

"RESOLVED: That the signature of the President, an Executive Vice President or any Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Corporation may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to the Resolution adopted by this Board of Directors on February 17, 1993 and the signature of a Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Corporation may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power, and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Corporation. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed, shall with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Corporation."

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ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Obligee, issued by **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1st, 19 96.

Effective October 8th, 19 98, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED from:**

One million two hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,225,000.00)

to:

One million three hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,325,000.00)

Effective January 31st, 19 99, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED from:**

One million three hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,325,000.00)

to:

One million one hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,125,000.00)

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 9th day of October, 19 98.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: [Signature] (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: [Signature]
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)

POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

Know All Men By These Presents, That CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, an Illinois corporation, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, a Connecticut corporation, AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA, a Pennsylvania corporation (herein collectively called "the CCC Surety Companies"), are duly organized and existing corporations having their principal offices in the City of Chicago, and State of Illinois, and that they do by virtue of the signature and seals herein affixed hereby make, constitute and appoint J. Danelski, Mike Eberhardy, T. P. Killeen, Douglas L. Miller, Annette K. Rengel, Lori L. Robinson, Ross G. Sinclair, Jacci Wacker, Lois E. Wynecoop, Individually

of Minneapolis, Minnesota their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute for and on their behalf bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature - In Unlimited Amounts -

and to bind them thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by a duly authorized officer of their corporations 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-Laws and Resolutions, printed on the reverse hereof, duly adopted, as indicated, by the Boards of Directors of the corporations.

In Witness Whereof, the CCC Surety Companies have caused these presents to be signed by their Group Vice President and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed on this 4th day of November, 1997.



CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

Handwritten signature of Marvin J. Cashion

Marvin J. Cashion Group Vice President

State of Illinois, County of Will, ss: On this 4th day of November, 1997, before me personally came Marvin J. Cashion, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois; that he is a Group Vice President of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, and AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seals of said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; that they were so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Boards of Directors of said corporations and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporations.



Handwritten signature of Eileen T. Pachuta

My Commission Expires June 5, 2000 Eileen T. Pachuta Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

I, Mary A. Ribikawskis, Assistant Secretary of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, and AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney herein above set forth is still in force, and further certify that the By-Law and Resolution of the Board of Directors of each corporation printed on the reverse hereof are still in force. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seals of the said corporations this 9th day of October, 1998.



CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

Handwritten signature of Mary A. Ribikawskis

Mary A. Ribikawskis Assistant Secretary

Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY:

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

"Article IX—Execution of Documents

Section 3. Appointment of Attorney-in-fact. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President may, from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Company in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach the seal of the Company thereto. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President or the Board of Directors, may, at any time, revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact."

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

"Resolved, that the signature of the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to Section 3 of Article IX of the By-Laws, and the signature of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed shall, with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Company."

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA:

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

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Section 2. Appointment of Attorney-in-fact. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President may, from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Company in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach the seal of the Company thereto. The President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact."

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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD:

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following Resolution duly adopted on February 17, 1993 by the Board of Directors of the Company.

"RESOLVED: That the President, an Executive Vice President, or any Senior or Group Vice President of the Corporation may, from time to time, appoint, by written certificates, Attorneys-in-Fact to act in behalf of the Corporation in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such Attorney-in-Fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instrument and to attach the seal of the Corporation thereto. The President, an Executive Vice President, any Senior or Group Vice President or the Board of Directors may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any Attorney-in-Fact."

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

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ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

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This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Obligee, issued by **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1st, 19 96.

Effective October 1st, 19 98, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED from:**

One million one hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,125,000.00)

to:

One million two hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,225,000.00)

Effective January 31st, 19 99, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED from:**

One million two hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,225,000.00)

to:

One million one hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,125,000.00)

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 24th day of September, 19 98.

Mayport Farmers Co-op

BY: *Samuel...* (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA

BY: *Jacqui Wacker*
Jacqui Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission

BY: *Susan H. Richter*
(Title)

POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

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Lois E. Wynecoop, Individually

of Minneapolis, Minnesota

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

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and to bind them thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by a duly authorized officer of their corporations 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-Laws and Resolutions, printed on the reverse hereof, duly adopted, as indicated, by the Boards of Directors of the corporations.

In Witness Whereof, the CCC Surety Companies have caused these presents to be signed by their Group Vice President and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed on this 4th day of November, 1997.



CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

Handwritten signature of Marvin J. Cashion

Marvin J. Cashion

Group Vice President

State of Illinois, County of Will, ss:

On this 4th day of November, 1997, before me personally came

Marvin J. Cashion, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois; that he is a Group Vice President of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, and AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seals of said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; that they were so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Boards of Directors of said corporations and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporations.



Handwritten signature of Eileen T. Pachuta

My Commission Expires June 5, 2000

Eileen T. Pachuta

Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

I, Mary A. Ribikawskis, Assistant Secretary of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, and AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney herein above set forth is still in force, and further certify that the By-Law and Resolution of the Board of Directors of each corporation printed on the reverse hereof are still in force. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seals of the said corporations this 24th day of September, 1998.



CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

Handwritten signature of Mary A. Ribikawskis

Mary A. Ribikawskis

Assistant Secretary

Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY:

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

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This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

"Resolved, that the signature of the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to Section 3 of Article IX of the By-Laws, and the signature of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed shall, with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Company."

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA:

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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD:

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following Resolution duly adopted on February 17, 1993 by the Board of Directors of the Company.

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Effective August 1st, 19 98, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED /-DECREASED-**

From:

One million one hundred twenty thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 1,120,000.00)

To:

One million one hundred twenty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 1,125,000.00)

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 8th day of July, 19 98.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: *Camell Amb* *Pres.*
(Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: *Jacci Wacker*
Jacci Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: *Suzanne Richter*
(Title)


SURETY COMPANY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of **Minnesota**

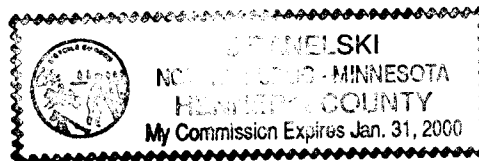
County of **Hennepin**

I, **J. Danelski** Notary Public of Hennepin County, in the State of Minnesota do hereby certify that **Jacci Wacker**, Attorney-in-Fact, of the **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person, and acknowledged that he/she signed, sealed and delivered said instrument, for and on behalf of the **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal at my office in the City of Minneapolis in said County, this 8th day of July A.D. 1998.



(Notary Public)



POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

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In Witness Whereof, the CCC Surety Companies have caused these presents to be signed by their Group Vice President and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed on this 4th day of November, 1997.



CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

Marvin J. Cashion

Marvin J. Cashion Group Vice President

State of Illinois, County of Will, ss:

On this 4th day of November, 1997, before me personally came Marvin J. Cashion, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois; that he is a Group Vice President of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, and AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seals of said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; that they were so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Boards of Directors of said corporations and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporations.



Eileen T. Pachuta

My Commission Expires June 5, 2000

Eileen T. Pachuta Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

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CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

Mary A. Ribikawskis

Mary A. Ribikawskis Assistant Secretary

Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions

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"Resolved, that the signature of the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to Section 3 of Article IX of the By-Laws, and the signature of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed shall, with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Company."

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA:

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

"Article VI—Execution of Obligations and Appointment of Attorney-in-Fact

Section 2. Appointment of Attorney-in-fact. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President may, from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Company in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach the seal of the Company thereto. The President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact."

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

"Resolved, that the signature of the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to Section 2 of Article VI of the By-Laws, and the signature of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed shall, with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Company."

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD:

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following Resolution duly adopted on February 17, 1993 by the Board of Directors of the Company.

"RESOLVED: That the President, an Executive Vice President, or any Senior or Group Vice President of the Corporation may, from time to time, appoint, by written certificates, Attorneys-in-Fact to act in behalf of the Corporation in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such Attorney-in-Fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instrument and to attach the seal of the Corporation thereto. The President, an Executive Vice President, any Senior or Group Vice President or the Board of Directors may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any Attorney-in-Fact."

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

"RESOLVED: That the signature of the President, an Executive Vice President or any Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Corporation may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to the Resolution adopted by this Board of Directors on February 17, 1993 and the signature of a Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Corporation may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power, and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Corporation. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed, shall with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Corporation."

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

SEP 19 1997

This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Obligee, issued by **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1, 19 96.

Effective August 27, 19 97, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED from:**

One million one hundred twenty thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,120,000.00)

to:

One million one hundred seventy thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,170,000.00)

Effective January 31, 19 98, it is hereby understood and agreed that coverage under the attached bond is **DECREASED from:**

One million one hundred seventy thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,170,000.00)

to:

One million one hundred twenty thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,120,000.00)

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 3rd day of September, 19 97.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: Kurt Kalden (Principal)
Pres. (Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: Jacqui Wacker
Jacqui Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: [Signature]
(Title)

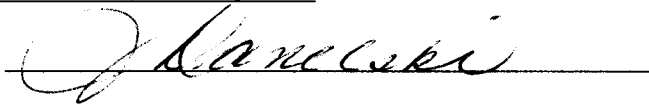
SURETY COMPANY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of **Minnesota**

County of **Hennepin**

I, **J. Danelski** Notary Public of Hennepin County, in the State of Minnesota do hereby certify that **Jacci Wacker**, Attorney-in-Fact, of the **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person, and acknowledged that he/she signed, sealed and delivered said instrument, for and on behalf of the **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA.**, for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal at my office in the City of Minneapolis in said County, this 3rd day of September A.D. 1997.



(Notary Public)

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POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

Know All Men By These Presents, That CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, an Illinois corporation, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, a Connecticut corporation, AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA, a Pennsylvania corporation (herein collectively called "the CNA Surety Companies"), are duly organized and existing corporations having their principal offices in the City of Chicago, and State of Illinois, and that they do by virtue of the signature and seals herein affixed hereby make, constitute and appoint Jacci Wacker, Individually

of Minneapolis, Minnesota

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

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and to bind them thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by a duly authorized officer of their corporations 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-Laws and Resolutions, printed on the reverse hereof, duly adopted, as indicated, by the Boards of Directors of the corporations.

In Witness Whereof, the CNA Sureties Companies have caused these presents to be signed by their Group Vice President and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed on this 4th day of September, 1996.



CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

M.C. Vonnahme

Group Vice President

State of Illinois, County of Cook, ss:

On this 4th day of September, 1996, before me personally came M. C. Vonnahme, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the Village of Darien, State of Illinois; that he is a Group Vice President of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, and AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seals of said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; that they were so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Boards of Directors of said corporations and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporations.



My Commission Expires June 5, 2000

Eileen T. Pachuta

Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

I, John M. Littler, Assistant Secretary of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, and AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney herein above set forth is still in force, and further certify that the By-Law and Resolution of the Board of Directors of each corporation printed on the reverse hereof are still in force. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seals of the said corporations this 3rd day of September, 1997



CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

John M. Littler

Assistant Secretary

Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY:

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

"Article IX—Execution of Documents

Section 3. Appointment of Attorney-in-fact. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President may, from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Company in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach the seal of the Company thereto. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President or the Board of Directors, may, at any time, revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact.

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

"Resolved, that the signature of the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to Section 3 of Article IX of the By-Laws, and the signature of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed shall, with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Company."

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA:

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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD:

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following Resolution duly adopted on February 17, 1993 by the Board of Directors of the Company.

"RESOLVED: That the President, an Executive Vice President, or any Senior or Group Vice President of the Corporation may, from time to time, appoint, by written certificates, Attorneys-in-Fact to act in behalf of the Corporation in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such Attorney-in-Fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instrument and to attach the seal of the Corporation thereto. The President, an Executive Vice President, any Senior or Group Vice President or the Board of Directors may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any Attorney-in-Fact."

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

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ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator Warehouseman's Bond No. 141553095 written on behalf of Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal, to the **State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, ND**, as Obligee, issued by **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, as Surety, with liability commencing August 1, 19 96.

Effective August 1, 19 97, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby **INCREASED / ~~DECREASED~~**

From:

One million one hundred fifteen thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,115,000.00)

To:

One million one hundred twenty thousand and No/100ths (\$ 1,120,000.00)

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 11th day of June, 19 97.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
BY: Kel Kaldon Pres. (Principal)
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
BY: Jacqui Wacker
Jacqui Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY ND
Public Service Commission
BY: Susan H. Richter
(Title)

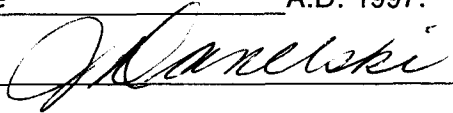
SURETY COMPANY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of **Minnesota**

County of **Hennepin**

I, J. Danelski Notary Public of Hennepin County, in the State of Minnesota do hereby certify that **Jacci Wacker**, Attorney-in-Fact, of the **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person, and acknowledged that he/she signed, sealed and delivered said instrument, for and on behalf of the **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA.**, for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal at my office in the City of Minneapolis in said County, this 11th day of June A.D. 1997.



(Notary Public)

POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

Know All Men By These Presents, That CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, an Illinois corporation, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, a Connecticut corporation, AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA, a Pennsylvania corporation (herein collectively called "the CNA Surety Companies"), are duly organized and existing corporations having their principal offices in the City of Chicago, and State of Illinois, and that they do by virtue of the signature and seals herein affixed hereby make, constitute and appoint Jacci Wacker, Individually

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

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and to bind them thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by a duly authorized officer of their corporations 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-Laws and Resolutions, printed on the reverse hereof, duly adopted, as indicated, by the Boards of Directors of the corporations.

In Witness Whereof, the CNA Sureties Companies have caused these presents to be signed by their Group Vice President and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed on this 4th day of September, 1996.



CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

M.C. Vonnahme

Group Vice President

State of Illinois, County of Cook, ss:

On this 4th day of September, 1996, before me personally came M. C. Vonnahme, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the Village of Darien, State of Illinois; that he is a Group Vice President of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, and AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seals of said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; that they were so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Boards of Directors of said corporations and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporations.



My Commission Expires June 5, 2000

Eileen T. Pachuta

Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

I, John M. Littler, Assistant Secretary of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, and AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney herein above set forth is still in force, and further certify that the By-Law and Resolution of the Board of Directors of each corporation printed on the reverse hereof are still in force. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seals of the said corporations this 11th day of June, 1997.



CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

John M. Littler

Assistant Secretary

Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions

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This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

"Resolved, that the signature of the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to Section 3 of Article IX of the By-Laws, and the signature of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed shall, with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Company."

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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD:

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"RESOLVED: That the President, an Executive Vice President, or any Senior or Group Vice President of the Corporation may, from time to time, appoint, by written certificates, Attorneys-in-Fact to act in behalf of the Corporation in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such Attorney-in-Fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instrument and to attach the seal of the Corporation thereto. The President, an Executive Vice President, any Senior or Group Vice President or the Board of Directors may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any Attorney-in-Fact."

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ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

DEC 11

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EFFECTIVE September 1, 1996, it is understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond shall be and is hereby ~~DECREASED~~ **INCREASED**

From:

One million fifty-five thousand and No/100ths----- (\$1,055,000.00---)

To:

One million one hundred fifteen thousand and No/100ths----- (\$1,115,000.00---)

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 21st day of November, 1996.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
(Principal)
By: Karl Kalden Pres.
(Title)

ACCEPTED by ND
Public Service Comm.

By: _____
(Title)

American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
By: Jacqui Wacker
Jacqui Wacker, Attorney-In-Fact

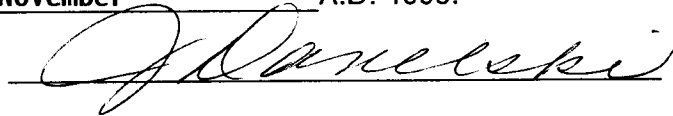
SURETY COMPANY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of **Minnesota**

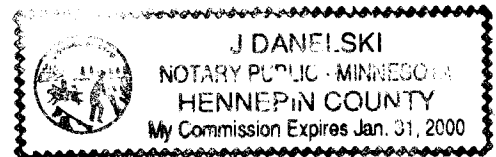
County of **Hennepin**

I, **J. Danelski** Notary Public of **Hennepin** County, in the State of **Minnesota** do hereby certify that **Jacci Wacker**, Attorney-in-Fact, of the **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA**, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person, and acknowledged that he/she signed, sealed and delivered said instrument, for and on behalf of the **American Casualty Company of Reading, PA.**, for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal at my office in the City of **Minneapolis** in said County, this **21st** day of **November** A.D. 1996.



(Notary Public)



POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

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

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

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In Witness Whereof, the CNA Sureties Companies have caused these presents to be signed by their Group Vice President and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed on this 4th day of September, 1996.



CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

M.C. Vonnahme

Group Vice President

State of Illinois, County of Cook, ss:

On this 4th day of September, 1996, before me personally came M. C. Vonnahme, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the Village of Darien, State of Illinois; that he is a Group Vice President of CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, and AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seals of said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; that they were so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Boards of Directors of said corporations and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporations.



My Commission Expires June 5, 2000

Eileen T. Pachuta

Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

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CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY
NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD
AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

John M. Littler

Assistant Secretary

Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CONTINENTAL CASUALTY COMPANY:

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

"Article IX—Execution of Documents

Section 3. Appointment of Attorney-in-fact. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President may, from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Company in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach the seal of the Company thereto. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President or the Board of Directors, may, at any time, revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact.

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

"Resolved, that the signature of the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to Section 3 of Article IX of the By-Laws, and the signature of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed shall, with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Company."

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA:

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

"Article VI—Execution of Obligations and Appointment of Attorney-in-Fact

Section 2. Appointment of Attorney-in-fact. The Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President may, from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Company in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach the seal of the Company thereto. The President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact."

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

"Resolved, that the signature of the President or any Executive, Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to Section 2 of Article VI of the By-Laws, and the signature of the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed shall, with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Company."

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD:

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following Resolution duly adopted on February 17, 1993 by the Board of Directors of the Company.

"RESOLVED: That the President, an Executive Vice President, or any Senior or Group Vice President of the Corporation may, from time to time, appoint, by written certificates, Attorneys-in-Fact to act in behalf of the Corporation in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. Such Attorney-in-Fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instrument and to attach the seal of the Corporation thereto. The President, an Executive Vice President, any Senior or Group Vice President or the Board of Directors may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any Attorney-in-Fact."

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 17th day of February, 1993.

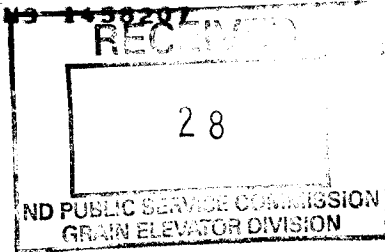
"RESOLVED: That the signature of the President, an Executive Vice President or any Senior or Group Vice President and the seal of the Corporation may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to the Resolution adopted by this Board of Directors on February 17, 1993 and the signature of a Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the seal of the Corporation may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power, and any power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Corporation. Any such power so executed and sealed and certified by certificate so executed and sealed, shall with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Corporation."

CNA INSURANCE COMPANIES

MINNEAPOLIS
700 PIPER JAFFRAY TOWER (55402)
P.O. BOX 9322
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55440

FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NJ BOND NO. BNS 1458207

AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA
BOND NO. 141553095



ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITY CERTIFICATE

OBLIGEE: STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PSC GRAIN ELEVATOR DIV
600 E BLVD
BISMARCK, ND 58505-0480

PRINCIPAL: MAYPORT FARMERS CO-OP
P O BOX 338
PORTLAND, ND 58274

\$1,055,000 Bond

THIS CERTIFICATE ASSUMES LIABILITY ON BOND NUMBER BNS 1458207 EXECUTED AND PREVIOUSLY FILED BY FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NJ, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE COMPANY, IN FAVOR OF THE CAPTIONED OBLIGEE, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 1996.

THIS CERTIFIES THAT AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE AGREEMENTS AND CONVENANTS HEREIN CONTAINED AND OTHER GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, ASSUMES LIABILITY UNDER THE ABOVE DESCRIBED BOND.

BY ISSUANCE OF THIS CERTIFICATE IT IS AGREED:

1. THAT LIABILITY OF AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA UNDER SAID BOND (A) SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ALL OF THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, LIMITATIONS AND WARRANTIES CONTAINED IN THE ABOVE DESCRIBED BOND AND ANY AMENDMENT THERETO OR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE OBLIGEE AND THE COMPANY AFFECTING THE SAME; AND (B) SHALL IN NO EVENT BE GREATER THAN WOULD HAVE BEEN THE LIABILITY OF THE COMPANY HAD THIS CERTIFICATE NOT BEEN ISSUED.
2. THAT ALL RIGHTS OF THE COMPANY, WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE TO THE COMPANY, BY REASON OF ITS SURETYSHIP UNDER THE AFOREMENTIONED BOND, OR OTHERWISE, IF THIS CERTIFICATE HAD NOT BEEN EXECUTED, SHALL INURE TO THE BENEFIT OF AND BE FULLY ENFORCEABLE BY AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA.
3. THAT THIS CERTIFICATE ASSUMES LIABILITY UNDER AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA BOND NO. 141553095 FOR LIABILITY ACCRUED UNDER FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NJ BOND NO. BNS 1458207.

AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

BY: _____

Jacqui Wacker
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT



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OBLIGEE

ENDORSEMENT FOR INCREASE OR DECREASE

This endorsement forms a part of Grain Elevator

Warehouseman's Bond No. BNS 145 82 07 written on behalf of
Mayport Farmers Co-op - Portland, ND, as Principal,
to the State of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Bismarck,
ND, as Obligee, issued by FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NEW
JERSEY, as Surety, with liability commencing February 10, 1994.

EFFECTIVE August 1, 1995, it is
understood and agreed that the amount of the above described bond
shall be and is hereby **INCREASED / ~~DECREASED~~**

From:

One million twenty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 1,025,000.00---)

To:

One million fifty-five thousand and No/100ths-----(\$ 1,055,000.00---)

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 31st day of July, 1995.

Mayport Farmers Co-op
(Principal)
By: Neil Engen President
(Title)

ACCEPTED by ND
Public Service Comp.
By: Susan Richter
(Title)

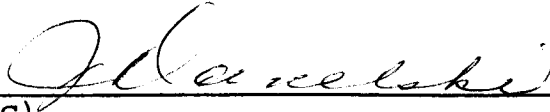
FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NJ
By: Jacci Wacker
Jacci Wacker (Attorney)

SURETY COMPANY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF MINNESOTA

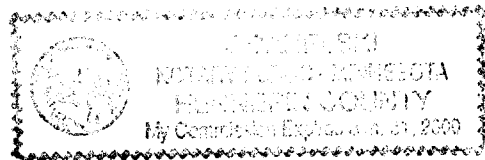
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

On this 31st day of July, 19 95, before me personally appeared Jacci Wacker, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that she reside(s) at Minneapolis, MN; that she is/are the Attorney of Firemen's Insurance Company of Newark, NJ, the corporation described in and which executed the annexed instrument; that she know(s) the corporate seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order of the Board of Directors of said corporation; that she signed the same name(s) thereto by like order; and that the liabilities of said corporation do not exceed its assets as ascertained in the manner provided by law.



(Notary Public)

My commission expires January 31, 2000



Firemen's Insurance Company of Newark, New Jersey

GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all men by these Presents, That the FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY has made, constituted and appointed, and by these presents does make, constitute and appoint

Jacci Wacker of Minnetonka, Minnesota

its true and lawful attorney, for it and in its name, place, and stead to execute on behalf of the said Company, as surety, bonds, undertakings and contracts of suretyship to be given to

All Obligees

provided that no bond or undertaking or contract of suretyship executed under this authority shall exceed in amount the sum of

One Million (1,000,000) Dollars

This Power of Attorney is granted and is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY at a meeting duly called and held on the 13th day of January, 1980.

"RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board, the Vice Chairman of the Board, the President, an Executive Vice President or a Senior Vice President or a Vice President of the Company, be, and that each or any of them hereby is, authorized to execute Powers of Attorney qualifying the attorney named in the given Power of Attorney to execute in behalf of the FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, bonds, undertakings and all contracts of suretyship; and that an Assistant Vice President, a Secretary or an Assistant Secretary be, and that each or any of them hereby is, authorized to attest the execution of any such Power of Attorney, and to attach thereto the seal of the Company.

"FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signatures of such officers and the seal of the Company may be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto by facsimile, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company when so affixed and in the future with respect to any bond, undertaking or contract of suretyship to which it is attached."

In Witness Whereof, the FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY has caused its official seal to be hereunto affixed, and these presents to be signed by one of its Vice Presidents and attested by one of its Assistant Secretaries this 2 day of March, 1994.

FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

Attest:

J. H. Tanner, Vice President



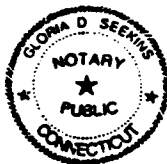
By

Matthew Klimczak, Vice President

STATE OF CONNECTICUT }
COUNTY OF HARTFORD }

ss.:

On this 2 day of March, 1994, before me personally came Matthew Klimczak, to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he is a Vice President of the FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, the corporation described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of the said corporation; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order of the Board of Directors of said corporation and that he signed his name thereto by like order.



CERTIFICATE

GLORIA D. SEEKINS
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires

January 31, 1998

I, the undersigned, an Assistant Secretary of the FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, a New Jersey corporation, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Power of Attorney remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore that the Resolution of the Board of Directors, set forth in the said Power of Attorney, is now in force.

Signed and sealed at the town of Farmington, the State of Connecticut. Dated the 31st day of July, 1995.



W. W. Cowling, Assistant Secretary