

## BID PROPOSAL

PROJECT: Central Plant Medical Vacuum System Replacement

LOCATION: 400 N. Pepper Ave, Colton CA 92324

OWNER: San Bernardino County

BID OPENING: 1/6/2026, at 10:00 A.M.

BIDDER: HPS Mechanical, Inc.

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San Bernardino County  
Project and Facilities Management Department  
620 S E St  
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0184  
[www.pfm.sbccounty.gov](http://www.pfm.sbccounty.gov)

In compliance with your invitation for bids, the undersigned has carefully examined the project Bid Documents, including the drawings and specifications, for the scope of work which will replace the existing medical vacuum pumps which are at end of life located in the Central Plant at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center in Colton, California, and fully understands the scope and meaning of the Bid Documents.

The undersigned hereby agrees to furnish all materials, labor, tools, equipment, apparatus, facilities, and transportation necessary to complete all work in strict conformity with the drawings and specifications, and to execute the contract to the satisfaction of the Project and Facilities Management Department – Project Management, at the following cost(s):

In case of discrepancy between the written bid set forth and the numerical bid set forth, the written bid shall prevail. In the case of a discrepancy between the written bid or numerical bid set forth on the bid proposal, and the numerical bid set forth in the ePro system, the information on the bid proposal shall prevail.

### BASE BID

For the furnishing of the labor, materials, and equipment necessary to complete all work designated in the Plans and Specifications.

The LUMP SUM of One million nine hundred two thousand five hundred forty three Dollars  
(\$ 1,902,543.00)

The above-mentioned BASE BID includes applicable California state sales tax, bonds, insurance and all other costs required to perform all the work described in the project drawings and specifications.

The lowest bid shall be the lowest bid price on the BASE BID. A responsible and responsive bidder who submitted the lowest bid shall be awarded the contract, if it is awarded. In order to be deemed responsive, the bidder must list, in the bid forms, at least three (3) projects within the last ten years at a HCAI 1 facility involving medical gas equipment with a value of at least \$1,000,000.

#### BID DEPOSIT (BID BOND)

There is enclosed herewith, a certified check or surety bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the TOTAL BASE BID, or, more specifically, One hundred ninety thousand two hundred fifty four Dollars (\$ 190,254.30), made payable to San Bernardino County. The undersigned agrees that in the event of the failure by the undersigned to execute the necessary contract and furnish the required contract bonds and insurance, the certified check or surety bond and the money payable thereon shall be, and remain, the property of San Bernardino County. If the bid is accompanied by a certified or cashier's check, the check shall be deposited by the Project and Facilities Management Department – Project Management, and a County warrant for the full amount shall be issued to the undersigned approximately one month after Contract Award.

If the bid is submitted through San Bernardino County Electronic Procurement Network (ePro) then scan the bid security (bid bond) and submit the scanned copy with your bid submittal in ePro, additionally, mail or submit the original bid security, in a separate sealed envelope labeled "Bid Bond" with the title of the work and the name of the bidder clearly marked on the outside, to: Project and Facilities Management Department – Project Management, 620 S E St, San Bernardino, California, 92415-0184. **Any mailed or submitted bid security must be received on or before the time set for the opening of the bids.**

#### TIME OF COMPLETION

The undersigned agrees to complete the work within 270 calendar days from the date stipulated in the Notice to Proceed.

#### LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

Pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 53069.85 and in the event that all the Work called for in this Contract is not completed within the number of calendar days set forth, Contractor shall forfeit and pay to the County the sum of \$1,500 per day for each calendar day the work remains incomplete, to be deducted from any payments due or to become due to the Contractor. (Reference General Conditions and Special Conditions)

## ESCROW ACCOUNT

Pursuant to Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code, at the request and expense of the Contractor, the Contractor may substitute qualified securities in lieu of retention withheld by the County and/or establish an escrow account for retention payments.

## REJECTION OF BIDS

The undersigned agrees that the County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and reserves the right to waive informalities in a bid or bids, not affected by law, if to do so seems to best serve the public interest.

## VALIDITY OF BIDS

The undersigned agrees that this bid will remain valid for sixty (60) days after the scheduled bid opening.

## STATE LICENSES

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she is currently the holder of a State Contractor's Class **B** License as a contractor in the State of California and that the license is the correct class of license for the work described in the project drawings and specifications. The undersigned also certifies that all subcontractor(s) listed under the Designation of Subcontractors section of the Bid Proposal are currently the holder of valid contractor's license(s) in the State of California and the license is the correct class of license for the work to be performed by the subcontractor(s). The undersigned agrees that if he/she does not list a subcontractor(s) under the Designation of Subcontractors section of this Bid Proposal to perform work in any of the following trades, in order to be found responsive and in order to perform that work himself/herself, the undersigned must possess the State specialty license for that trade: Mechanical (C-20); Electrical (C-10); and Plumbing (C-36).

## INSURANCE

The undersigned agrees to furnish certified copies of all insurance policies and endorsements; all certificates of comprehensive, general and auto liability insurance; Workers' Compensation insurance; and such other insurance that will protect him from claims for damages and personal injury, including death, which may arise from operations under the contract, whether such operation be by the undersigned or by any subcontractor of the undersigned, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by the undersigned or any subcontractor of the undersigned in accordance with Section 11.2 of the General Conditions. **The undersigned agrees to provide the Project and Facilities Management Department – Project Management with Certificates of Insurance evidencing the required insurance coverage at the time Contractor executes the contract with the County.** All policies (excluding Workers' Compensation) shall name San Bernardino County

and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers as additional insureds. All coverages shall be subject to approval by the County for adequacy of protection.

### **BONDS**

If this Bid is successful, the undersigned agrees to execute the required Standard Contract and will furnish a payment bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price and a Faithful Performance Bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price. These bonds shall be secured from a surety company or companies satisfactory to the County within ten (10) calendar days of the contract award and shall be on County approved bond forms. Bonds shall remain in full force and effect for a period of one year following the date of filing of Notice of Completion.

### **FORMER COUNTY OFFICIALS**

Contractor agrees to provide or has already provided information on former San Bernardino County administrative officials (as defined below) who are employed by or represent Contractor. The information provided includes a list of former county administrative officials who terminated county employment within the last five years and who are now officers, principals, partners, associates or members of the business. The information also includes the employment with or representation of contractor. For purposes of this provision, "county administrative official" is defined as a member of the Board of Supervisors or such officer's staff, Chief Executive Officer or member of such officer's staff, county department or group head, assistant department or group head, or any employee in the Exempt Group, Management Unit or Safety Management Unit.

### **INACCURACIES OR MISREPRESENTATIONS**

If during the course of the bid proposal process or in the administration of a resulting Contract, the County determines that the contractor has made a material misstatement or misrepresentation or that materially inaccurate information has been provided to the County, the contractor may be terminated from the bid proposal process, or in the event a Contract has been awarded, the Contract may be immediately terminated. If a Contract is terminated according to this provision, the County is entitled to pursue any available legal remedies.

### **VISITING THE SITES**

The undersigned has visited the site and is familiar with the local conditions of the work site.

### **CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD (CARB) IN-USE OFF-ROAD DIESEL-FUELED FLEETS REGULATION COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION**

This Project is subject to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) approved amendments relating to In-Use Off Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets found at California Code

of Regulations Title 13, sections 2449, 2449.1, and 2449.2 (the “Regulations”). The Regulations require a Prime Contractor, bidding on a public works project to be awarded by any public works awarding body, to certify that the Contractors off-road diesel-fueled fleets comply with CARB regulations. Section 2449(b) includes a list of off-road diesel-fueled fleets subject to these regulations. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to verify if their fleet is subject to these regulations.

Contractor is required to obtain and submit Certificates of Reported Compliance from all subcontractors that are listed in the bid submission that would require it for the work being performed. Failure to provide Contractor’s CARB compliance number, when legally required, may constitute a material irregularity rendering their bid non-responsive and non-responsible, and subject to rejection for non-responsiveness.

No award shall be made to a Contractor that has failed to provide its CARB compliance certificates, unless the Contractor confirms that no equipment subject to the regulation will be used to execute the Contract Work. By submitting a bid, the Bidder hereby certifies that it is aware of the requirements set forth in Sections 2449, 2449.1, and 2449.2, Title 13, California Code of Regulations and any successful Bidder and its subcontractors shall comply with sections 2449, 2449.1, 2449.2 of Title 13 of the California Code of Regulations, including by providing Certificate(s) of Reported Compliance for In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets for the fleet selected for the contract and their listed subcontractors, if applicable, with its bid.

Contractor shall not enter into a contract with a fleet for which it does not have a valid Certificate of Reported Compliance for the fleet and Contractor’s listed subcontractors, if applicable, prior to entering into a new or renewed contract with that fleet. Contractor shall only allow fleets with valid Certificates of Reported Compliance on Contractor’s job sites. The Certificates of Reported Compliance received by the Contractor for this Project must be retained for three (3) years after the Project’s completion. Upon request by CARB, these records must be provided to CARB within five (5) business days of the request. Between March 1 and June 1 of each year, Contractor must collect new valid Certificates of Reported Compliance for the current compliance year, as defined in Regulation Section 2449(n), from all fleets that have an ongoing contract with the Contractor as of March 1 of that year. Contractor must not write contracts to evade this requirement.

If Contractor discovers that any fleet intending to operate vehicles subject to the Regulation for Contractor does not have a valid Certificate of Reported Compliance, as defined in Regulation section 2449(n), or if Contractor observes any noncompliant vehicles subject to the Regulation on Contractor’s job site, then Contractor must report the required information to CARB within the time period contained in the Regulations.

Upon request by CARB, Contractor must immediately disclose to CARB the name and contact information of each responsible party for all vehicles subject to the Regulation operating at the job site or for Contractor. If applicable, Contractor shall prominently

display signage for any project where vehicles subject to the Regulation as provided and within the time period contained in the Regulation.

Situations in which prime contractors or public works awarding bodies, as applicable, are contracting for projects that are considered emergency operations, as defined in section 2449(c)(18), are exempt from the requirements in section 2449(i)(1)-(3), but must still retain records verifying vehicles subject to the regulation that are operating on the emergency operations project are actually being operated on the project for emergency operations only. These records must include a description of the emergency, the address or a description of the specific location of the emergency, the dates on which the emergency operations were performed, and an attestation by the fleet that the vehicles are operated on the project for emergency operations only.

Contractor shall complete and return the "California Air Resources Board (CARB) In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets Certification of Compliance" form attached hereto as a condition to bidding this Project.

#### DESIGNATION OF SUBCONTRACTORS

In compliance with the provisions of Sections 4100-4108 of the Public Contract Code of the State of California, and any amendments thereof, the undersigned shall set forth below the name, location of the place of business and the California contractor license number of each subcontractor who will perform work (meaning the total amount of the subcontractor's contract amount including all labor, materials, supplies and services) in excess of one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) of the total bid; and, the general category or the portion of the work to be performed by each subcontractor.

If the undersigned fails to specify a subcontractor(s) for any work to be performed under the Contract, the undersigned agrees to perform the work and shall not be permitted to subcontract that work except in cases of public emergency, and then only after written finding as public record by the Board of Supervisors. In order for the undersigned to perform the work in any of the following trades, the undersigned must possess the State specialty license for that trade: Mechanical (C-20); Electrical (C-10); and Plumbing (C-36).

The undersigned certifies that all subcontractor(s) listed below are currently the holder of valid contractor's license(s) in the State of California and the license(s) is the correct class of license for the work to be performed by the subcontractor(s).

The undersigned certifies that it and all subcontractor(s) listed below have registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 (applicable for all bids submitted on or after March 1, 2015). The undersigned agrees that no contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work or perform work on a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 (applicable for all contracts awarded on or after April 1, 2015).

The undersigned acknowledges that the project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

As required by Labor Code 1771.1(a) "A contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, as defined in this chapter, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5. It is not a violation of this section for an unregistered contractor to submit a bid that is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by Section 10164 or 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code, provided the contractor is registered to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 at the time the contract is awarded."

Where a hearing is required for a decision on the substitution of subcontractors, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 4, Part 1, Division 2, of the Public Contract Code, (commencing with Section 4100) by the awarding authority, or a duly appointed hearing officer, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall prepare and certify a statement of costs incurred by the County for investigation, and to conduct the hearing, including the costs of any hearing officer and shorthand reporter appointed. For the purposes of a hearing for the substitution of subcontractors (pursuant to the Public Contract Code commencing with Section 4100) the awarding authority shall be the Director of the Project and Facilities Management Department, or his/her designee.

The statement of costs shall be sent to the undersigned, who shall reimburse the County for all costs. If not paid separately, such reimbursement shall be deducted from monies due and owing to the undersigned prior to acceptance of the project.

CONTRACTOR NAME: HPS Mechanical, Inc.

<b>Subcontractor's Name</b>	<b>Portion of Work Performed</b>	<b>Location of Business</b>	<b>CA Contractor's License</b>	<b>DIR Registration No.</b>	<b>CARB Certificate of Compliance No.</b>
Laser Electric	Electrical	Escondido, CA	513888	100000032	VCC1004859366
Bowcon	Concrete	Valley Center, CA	922893	1000004992	Exempt

ADDENDA

This bid includes Addendum No. 1 dated 12/19/25

Addendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_

Bidder must acknowledge all addendums above, regardless of any acknowledgement of addendums in ePro.

## AFFIDAVIT

The undersigned has submitted with the bid proposal a non-collusion declaration, signed under penalty of perjury, for the principal contractor. The undersigned agrees to furnish the County non-collusion declarations for subcontractors signed under penalty of perjury, and states that this is a genuine proposal and is neither collusive nor made in the interest of any other person and has not induced anyone to submit a sham bid or refrain from bidding.

**The undersigned acknowledges it has registered with the ePro system prior to the date and time to receive sealed bids or it will be disqualified.**

The undersigned declares: that the only person or parties interested in this proposal as principals are those named herein; that this bid is made without any connection with any other person or persons making a bid for the same work, except for another division of the undersigned which may submit an independent bid; that the bid is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that the undersigned has read the Advertisement for Bids and the Instructions to Bidders and agrees to all the stipulations contained therein; that the undersigned has examined the form of contract (including the specifications, drawings, and other documents incorporated therein by reference); that in the event this bid as submitted, including the incorporated bidding documents, be accepted by the County, the undersigned shall execute a contract to perform the work as outlined herein.

If undersigned is a corporation, proposal must be signed by an authorized officer of the corporation.

If the bid proposal is submitted through ePro the undersigned acknowledges that its electronic signature is legally binding.

Check One:  Sole Proprietor  
 Partnership  
 Corporation  
 Other

Name of Bidder: HPS Mechanical, Inc.

Address: 3100 E Belle Terrace, Bakersfield, CA 93307

Phone: 661/397-2121

Email: alma@hpsmechanical.com

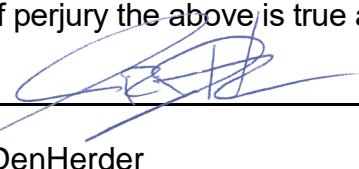
Contractor's License No.: 793014 Primary Class: A, B, C2, C4, C10, C16, C20, C34, C36, C42, C43, C46

Expiration Date of Contractor's License 03/31/2027

Contractor's DIR Registration # 1000001107

Contractor's California Air Resources Board (CARB) In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets  
Regulation Compliance No.: 4031

I declare under penalty of perjury the above is true and correct.

Authorized Signature:  Title: President

Print Name: Scott DenHerder Date: 01/05/2026

California Environmental Protection Agency  
**Air Resources Board**

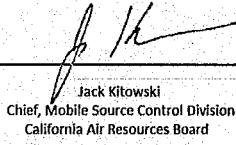
January 1, 2025

**CERTIFICATE OF REPORTED COMPLIANCE  
OFF-ROAD DIESEL VEHICLE REGULATION**

is issued to

**HPS MECHANICAL INC**

This certificate indicates that the fleet listed above has reported off-road diesel vehicles to the California Air Resources Board and has certified they are in compliance with title 13 CCR, section 2449. All applicable vehicles owned by the individual, company, or agency must be reported and labeled, as specified in Section 2449, with all possible completeness, else this certificate is null and void. **Certificate expires 2/28/2026**

  
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Jack Kitowski  
Chief, Mobile Source Control Division  
California Air Resources Board

Off-road Diesel Fleet Identification

4031

To verify the authenticity of this certificate, enter this number at  
[http://www.arb.ca.gov/doors/compliance\\_cert1.htm](http://www.arb.ca.gov/doors/compliance_cert1.htm)



## Vehicle Compliance Certification

Issue Date: 4/1/2025

Start Date: 6/30/2025

Expiration Date: 12/31/2025

Certification ID: VCC1004859366

### Vehicle Information

Vehicle Identification Number (VIN): JALE5W161M7302227

Vehicle License Plate: 98174C3

Vehicle Make:

Vehicle Model Year: 2021

Vehicle Model:

### Business Information

Company/Entity Name: Laser Electric, Inc.

Entity ID: E138592

Primary Address: 650 Upper Street, ESCONDIDO, CA 92029-6701, USA

CARB reserves the right to invalidate this certificate if the vehicle is found violating the Clean Truck Check requirements prior to the certificate expiration date.

Future certificates may be denied if the vehicle has any outstanding CARB Enforcement actions.

Non-compliant vehicles could also have their registration denied by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

This compliance certificate does not exempt the vehicle from emissions-related inspection or audit.

For more information on Clean Truck Check, visit <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/cleantruckcheck>.

To verify this certification: <https://cleantruckcheck.arb.ca.gov>.

CARB's Clean Truck Check team can be reached at [hdim@arb.ca.gov](mailto:hdim@arb.ca.gov).

# BIDDER QUALIFICATION FORM

(TO BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH BID)

## A. BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS

Failure to complete all information may render your bid non-responsive. [\*\*Indicate not applicable ("N/A") where appropriate.\*\*]

NOTE: Where Bidder is a joint venture, pages shall be duplicated, and information provided for all parties to the joint venture.

1.0 Name of Bidder: HPS Mechanical, Inc.

2.0 Type, if Entity: Corporation

3.0 Bidder Address: 3100 E Belle Terrace, Bakersfield, CA 93307

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661-396-2589 661-397-2121

Facsimile Number Telephone Number

4.0 How many years has Bidder's organization been in business as a Contractor? 66

5.0 How many years has Bidder's organization been in business under its present name? 25 years

5.1 Under what other or former names has Bidder's organization operated? Harry's Plumbing Services #321421 (1959 - 1985)

HPS Plumbing Services, Inc. #751912 (1985-2001)

6.0 If Bidder's organization is a corporation, answer the following:

6.1 Date of Incorporation: 03/27/2001

6.2 State of Incorporation: California

6.3 President's Name: Scott DenHerder

6.4 Vice-President's Name(s): n/a

6.6 Treasurer's Name: Stephanie DenHerder

7.0 If an individual or a partnership, answer the following:

7.1 Date of Organization: n/a

7.2 Name and address of all partners (state whether general or limited partnership):

n/a

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8.0 If other than a corporation or partnership, describe organization and name principals:

n/a

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9.0 What type of work does the Bidder normally perform with its own forces?

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Plumbing and Underground Site Utilities

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10.0 Within the last five years, has any officer or partner of Bidder's organization ever been an officer or partner of another organization when it failed to complete a contract? If so, attach a separate sheet of explanation:

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No.

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11.0 Name of Bonding Company and Name and Address of Agent:

Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland c/o c/o Clifford and Bradford Insurance Agency  
1800 19th Street, Bakersfield, CA 93301  
Aaron Hubbard (661) 283-8100, hubbard@cliffordandbradford.com

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12.0 In the past ten (10) years, has your Firm contracted for and completed construction of a minimum of three (3) OSHPD/HCAI construction projects in a HCAI 1 Facility involving medical gas systems. Only those construction projects with a value of at least \$1,000,000 shall count. Provide supporting documentation in Section B.

(Please check one box).

Yes

No (ineligible to bid)

13.0 Does your Firm currently hold all contractors' license(s) necessary to perform the work and have those license(s) been consistently active for at least three (3) years without revocation or suspension?

(Please check one box).

Yes

No (ineligible to bid)

14.0 Has your Firm been found non-responsible, debarred, disqualified, forbidden, or otherwise prohibited from performing work and/or bidding on work for any public agency within California within the past five (5) years?  
(Please check one box).

Yes(ineligible to bid)

No

15.0 Has your Firm defaulted on a contract or been terminated for cause by any public agency on any project within California within the past five (5) years and, if so and if challenged, has that default or termination been upheld by a court or an arbitrator?  
(Please check one box).

Yes(ineligible to bid)

No

16.0 Has your Firm been assessed Liquidated Damages in the past five (5) years?  
(Please check one box)

Yes(ineligible to bid)

No

17.0 Has your Firm or any of their owners or officers been convicted of a crime under federal, state, or local law involving:  
(1) Bidding for, awarding of, or performance of a contract with a public entity;  
(2) Making a false claim(s) to any public entity; or  
(3) Fraud, theft, or other act of dishonesty to any contracting party;  
within the past TEN (10) YEARS?  
(Please check one box).

Yes(ineligible to bid)

No

18.0 Has a performance bond surety for your Firm had to:  
(1) Takeover or complete a project,  
(2) Supervise the work of a project, or  
(3) Pay amounts to third parties to satisfy claims against your performance bond, related to construction activities of your Firm or an Associated Firm within the past five (5) years?  
(Please check one box).

Yes(ineligible to bid)

No

20.0 Does your Firm have an Experience Modification Rate greater than 1.3?  
(Please check one box).

Yes (ineligible to bid)

No

**LIST OF CURRENT PROJECTS (Backlog)**

[\*\*Duplicate Page if needed for listing additional current projects.\*\*]

Project and HCAI #	Description of Bidder's Work	Completion Date	Cost of Bidder's Work	Contact Name/ Phone Number
Scripps Clinic Rancho Bernardo Washer and Sterlizer Replacement BSD# 10405 15004 Innovation Dr San Diego, CA 92128	Plumbing work.	99.9% Complete	\$156,377.00	BSD Builders
Rady's Children Hospital Fire Protection	Site Utilities	5% Complete	\$852,070.00	Cosco Fire Michael Cunnien (858) 444-2000 mcunnien@coscofire.com
Renovate Sterile Processing & Supply (SPS) VA Central California Health Care Systems	Plumbing	14% Complete	\$1,677,701.00	GL Bruno Tim Butler tabutler@glbruno.com (559) 454-7744
P3800 Ambulatory Care Center - MCAS Miramar 4024211	Site Utilities	60% Complete	\$2,304,482.00	Hensel Phelps Bill Welch bwelch@henselphelps.com (858) 335-7457

**B. THREE (3) PROJECTS OF SIMILAR SIZE AND SCOPE COMPLETED OVER THE LAST TEN YEARS AT A HCAI 1 FACILITY**

In order for Bidder's bid to be considered responsive, Bidder must list at least three projects completed within the last ten years of similar size and scope below. Projects must be over \$1,000,000 in value and involve upgrades to Medical Gas systems. Failure to complete this section shall render a bid nonresponsive.

Project Client	OSHPD/HCAI Project number	Period of Performance	Cost of Bidder's Work	Reference Name/Phone Number
VA San Diego CLC SCI Department of Veterans Affairs	Installation of Plumbing and Medical Gas	99% complete	\$15,412,678.86	Archer Western Federal JV Todd Burdett tburdett@walshgroup.com (757) 449-7998
Rady Children's Hospital	Plumbing & Site Utilities HCAI I220010-37-01	50% Complete	\$14,821,689.56	Hensel Phelps Cruz Ramos cramos@henselphelps.com (805) 621-4049
PLEASE SEE ATTACHED	FOR ADDITIONAL PROJECTS			



## PROJECT REFERENCES

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<b>Project Name:</b>	<b>Continuing Care Center Replacement</b>
<b>OHSA Project No.</b>	H-150093-56
<b>Location:</b>	Ojai, CA
<b>Owner:</b>	Ojai Valley Community Hospital
<b>Architect/Engineer:</b>	Hammel, Green & Abrahamson, Inc. 1918 Main Street, Third Floor Santa Monica, CA 90405 (310) 557-7600
<b>GC/CM:</b>	McGillivray Construction, Inc. 3140 Loma Vista Road Ventura, CA 93003 PJ Garahan, <a href="mailto:pj@mcgillivrayconstruction.com">pj@mcgillivrayconstruction.com</a> (805) 648-1517
<b>Scope of Work:</b>	Construction of a new single story, approximately 33,000 sq. ft. skilled nursing facility. Areas included patient rooms, dining areas, physical therapy, kitchen, administration offices and support services. HPS installed the plumbing scope.
<b>Date Completed:</b>	May 2020
<b>Final Contract Value:</b>	\$1,832,180.70

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<b>Project Name:</b>	<b>St John's Pleasant Valley Hospital</b>
<b>OHSA Project No.</b>	I140007-56
<b>Location:</b>	Camarillo, CA
<b>Owner:</b>	Dignity Health
<b>Architect/Engineer:</b>	Devenney Group 201 W. Indian School Road Phoenix, Arizona 85013 (602) 943-8950
<b>GC/CM:</b>	Kitchell Corporation 853 Camino Del Mar, Suite 200 Del Mar, CA 92014 Kyle Smith, <a href="mailto:kmsmith@kitchell.com">kmsmith@kitchell.com</a> (858) 444-7621 or (619) 798-7612
<b>Scope of Work:</b>	Plumbing and Medical Gas system included Design-Assist coordination and full CAD BIM coordination.
<b>Project Description:</b>	New 3 story patient tower, OSHPD Leve IV.
<b>Date Completed:</b>	June 2020
<b>Final Contract Value:</b>	\$450,697.00



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<b>Project Name:</b>	<b>Bakersfield North Dialysis Center TI</b>
<b>Location:</b>	Bakersfield, CA
<b>Owner:</b>	Bakersfield North Dialysis Center
<b>Architect/Engineer:</b>	Centerline Design, LLC. 1508 Tollhouse Road, Suite 'C' Clovis, CA 93611 (559) 298-3060
<b>GC/CM:</b>	The Dubs Company, Inc. 1699 East Chicago Street Elgin, IL 60120 Rob Dubs (847) 608-0003
<b>Scope of Work:</b>	Tenant Improvements for Bakersfield North Dialysis Center.
<b>Date Completed:</b>	May 2019
<b>Final Contract Value:</b>	\$296,849.95

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<b>Project Name:</b>	<b>Selma Community Hospital ICU Remodel</b>
<b>OHSA Project No.</b>	SS102551-0
<b>Location:</b>	Selma, CA
<b>Owner:</b>	Adventist Health
<b>Architect/Engineer:</b>	Lee, Burkhardt, Liu, Inc. 13335 Maxella Avenue Marina del Rey, CA 90292 (310) 829-2249
<b>GC/CM:</b>	Layton Construction 9090 South Sandy Parkway Sandy, Utah 84070 Steven Brecker (801) 568-9090
<b>Scope of Work:</b>	Plumbing and Medical Gas system included Design-Assist coordination and full CAD BIM coordination.
<b>Date Completed:</b>	August 2017
<b>Final Contract Value:</b>	\$3,798,813

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<b>Project Name:</b>	<b>Sharp Grossmont Hospital</b>
<b>OSHPD Project No.</b>	<b>Central Energy Plant BP No. 002</b>
<b>OSHPD Project No.</b>	HS-072461-54



## PROJECT REFERENCES

<b>Location:</b>	La Mesa, CA
<b>Owner:</b>	Grossmont Healthcare District 9001 Wakarusa Street La Mesa, CA 91942
<b>Architect/Engineer:</b>	Syska Hennessey Group 9665 Granite Ridge Drive, #110 San Diego, CA 92123
<b>GC/CM:</b>	McCarthy Building Companies 6165 Greenwich Drive, Suite 340, San Diego, CA 92122 Jason Mrozek, <a href="mailto:JMrozek@McCarthy.com">JMrozek@McCarthy.com</a> (858) 784-0347
<b>Scope of Work:</b>	Installed the Site Utilities
<b>Final Contract Value:</b>	\$754,016
<b>Date Completed:</b>	March 2017

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<b>PROJECT NAME:</b>	UCSD Jacobs Medical Center CUP Phase II
<b>OSHPD Project No.</b>	SL-102446-37
<b>OWNER:</b>	The Regents of University of California, San Diego 10280 N. Torrey Pines, Ste. 470 La Jolla, CA 92037 Richard Allely <a href="mailto:rallely@ucsd.edu">rallely@ucsd.edu</a>
<b>ARCHITECT:</b>	Cannon Design 1901 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 175 Los Angeles, CA 90067 (310) 229-2700 Phil Bahr <a href="mailto:pbahr@cannondesign.com">pbahr@cannondesign.com</a>
<b>GENERAL CONTRACT/CONSTRUCTION MANAGER:</b>	Kitchell Corporation 853 Camino Del Mar Ste 200 Del Mar, CA 92014 Christine Hudson <a href="mailto:chudson@kitchell.com">chudson@kitchell.com</a> (619) 798-7394
<b>SCOPE OF WORK:</b>	HPS installed the HVAC, Plumbing and Medical Gas work a new central utilities plant on the medical campus of the University of California San Diego. A Replacement of a two story 40,000 square foot plant to provide power to the new hospitals and future medical facilities.
<b>COMPLETION DATE:</b>	November 2016
<b>FINAL CONTRACT:</b>	\$5,712,451.00

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## **PROJECT REFERENCES**

<b>Project Name:</b>	<b>Sharp Grossmont Hospital D&amp;T Building</b>
<b>OSHPD Project No.</b>	IL-103330-37
<b>Location:</b>	La Mesa, CA
<b>Owner:</b>	Grossmont Healthcare District 9001 Wakarusa Street La Mesa, CA 91942
<b>Architect/Engineer:</b>	Kaplan McLaughlin Diaz (KMD) 1733 Ocean Ave., Suite 310 Santa Monica, CA 90401
<b>GC/CM:</b>	McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. 9275 Sky Park Court, Suite 200 San Diego, CA 92121 Ryan Miller, <a href="mailto:remiller@mccarthy.com">remiller@mccarthy.com</a> (949) 851-8383
<b>Scope of Work:</b>	Installed the Plumbing & Site Utilities.
<b>Date Completed:</b>	November 2016
<b>Final Contract Value:</b>	\$2,690,720

## C. EXPERIENCE AND TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS QUESTIONNAIRE

### ***Personnel:***

The Bidder shall identify the key personnel to be assigned to this project in a management, construction supervision or engineering capacity.

1. List each person's job title, name and percent of time to be allocated to this project:

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Sammy Crow, Project Manager - 15%

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Joe Ahrens, Project Superintendent - 100%

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2. Summarize each person's specialized education:

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Please see attached resumes.

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3. List each person's years of construction experience relevant to the project:

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Please see attached resumes.

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4. Summarize such experience:

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Please see attached resumes.

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Bidder agrees that personnel named in this Bid will remain on this Project in their designated capacities until completion of all relevant Work, unless substituted by personnel of equivalent experience and qualifications approved in advance by the County.

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## **Samantha Crow**

### *Project Manager*

#### **CAREER SUMMARY**

Over 10 years of experience in the construction industry. Skilled in all phases of construction project management; commercial, municipal and public works.

- Responsible for negotiating, bidding and administration of contracts
- Proven ability to manage multiple large projects

#### **RELEVANT PRIOR PROJECT EXPERIENCE**

**VA Spinal Cord Injury & Community Living Center, San Diego, CA** – The work consisted of Construction of a new 5-story, SCI/CLC building expansion as well as an 800 space parking garage to the VA San Diego campus. HPS performed the plumbing & medical gas scopes of work. HPS performed the plumbing and Medical Gas scope work and assisted on the design build as a subcontractor for Archer Western Federal JV.

**Manchester Pacific Gateway - Navy Bldg., San Diego, CA** – HPS performed the plumbing work and assisted on the design build for the Navy building on the Manchester property as a subcontractor for Turner Construction.

**Phase 2 of the Expansion & Renovation at the San Ysidro Land Port of Entry** – HPS performed the plumbing work and assisted on the design build for the expansion and renovation project as a subcontractor to Hensel Phelps.

**UCSD P703 Energy Storage Innovation Lab Expansion, San Diego, CA** – The University project consisted of installation of a 2000KVA Electrical Distribution at P703 to accommodate Energy Storage Innovation Lab's growing research scope, complete with all necessary site improvements. The new distribution system, to be connected to the existing campus 12kV system. *Owner: The Regents of California, San Diego*

**UCSD Pepper Canyon Amphitheater, San Diego, CA** – Project was a multi-prime job, HPS performed the plumbing work. This project is composed of the Pepper Canyon Amphitheater, the surrounding public realm, Design & Innovation building landscaping, a Stuart Collection art installation consisting of the Rupertus Concordance Walk and east façade enhancements for three existing Visual Art Buildings and a temporary fieldhouse replacement at Warren field. *Owner: The Regents of California, San Diego*

**UCSD Cryo Electron Micro Lab Renovation, San Diego, CA** – The project consists of demo of remaining finishes within the current 1,312 SF lab space on level 1 of Bonner Hall. The build out will consist of adding new wall/ceiling, flooring, ACT grid and tiles, mechanical equipment, ductwork electrical conduit and wire, and low voltage raceways. *Owner: The Regents of California, San Diego*

#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

- Essentials of PHC Project Management Course
- Project Management Boot Camp

#### **EDUCATION**

- **Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego** – master's in educational leadership
- **San Diego State University** – bachelor's degree in applied science (Liberal Studies)

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## **Joe Ahrens**

*Project Superintendent*

### **CAREER SUMMARY**

Over 20 years of experience in the construction industry field, including leadership as project superintendent of large-scale institutional infrastructure and plant contracts.

### **PROJECT EXPERIENCE**

**Replacement of Grit Lines at South Bay International WWTP** - Work consisted of the removal of existing underground 2-6in glass lined ductile iron pipes encased in concrete and excavation of open trench to accommodate the installation of 40" width by 16" depth precast concrete trench system with solid bottom and removable covers.

**P800 Steam Distribution System Decentralization, San Diego Naval Facilities** - Installed the underground heating steam, condensate return, domestic hot water and hot water return piping.

**SDSU Gateway Steam and Chilled Water and Branch Replacement (Design-Build)** - Replace and refurbished portions of the underground high-pressure steam distribution system. The work consisted of new steam manholes and asbestos abatement. HPS' work included the following: Chilled water booster pumps, site utilities, electrical, site paving, site fencing, underground chilled water valve replacement.

**CSU San Diego State University, Steam Utility Infrastructure Repairs Phase II** - Repair existing steam & condensate infrastructure including utilidor, steam manholes and other utilities including chilled water, gas, water, storm drain and electrical. HPS also removed and replaced over 20,000 SF decorative pavements at historic Hepner Hall.

**CSU San Diego State University, Steam Utility Infrastructure Repairs Phase III** - Repair existing steam & condensate infrastructure including utilidor, steam manholes and other utilities including 24" chilled water, gas, water, storm drain, electrical and complete AC road repairs and replacement at Aztec Circle Drive.

### **CERTIFICATIONS**

- First Aid
- Confined Space Entry
- 24 Hour Full Protection EM 385
- Trench and Excavation Competent Person
- Trane Refrigeration System Piping
- Basic Qualified Rigging ASME & OSHA Standards
- Scissor Lift Competent Person
- OSHA 10 & 30
- Excavation Safety & Competent Person
- 2018 Harassment
- Trane Refrigeration System Piping
- Full Protection OSHA

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#### **D. Exclusion Criteria**

In order to ensure the highest quality and reliability of services, the following exclusion criteria will be applied:

##### **1. Eligibility for Submission:**

Contractors are deemed ineligible to submit a proposal if they have been subject to any of the following within the last five (5) years:

Liquidated Damages: The contractor has been required to pay liquidated damages as a result of non-performance, delayed performance, or failure to meet contractual obligations in any project.

##### **2. Required Disclosure:**

Contractors must disclose any instances of liquidated damages incurred within the last five (5) years. Failure to disclose such instances will result in automatic disqualification from consideration.

##### **3. Verification:**

The awarding authority reserves the right to verify the accuracy of the disclosed information. Any misrepresentation or omission of facts relevant to this exclusion criteria will be grounds for disqualification.

By submitting a proposal, contractors affirm that they meet the eligibility requirements outlined above and agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this RFP.

## E. VERIFICATION AND EXECUTION

These Bid Forms shall be executed only by a duly authorized officer of the Bidder:

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California  
that the foregoing information is true and correct:

Name of Bidder HPS Mechanical, Inc.

Signature



Name Scott DenHerder

Title President

Dated January 6, 2026

## NONCOLLUSION DECLARATION

### TO BE EXECUTED BY BIDDER AND SUBMITTED WITH BID

The undersigned declares:

I am the President of Scott DenHerder, the party making the foregoing bid.

The bid is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, any undisclosed person, partnership, company, association, organization or corporation. The bid is genuine and not collusive or sham. The bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other bidder to put in a false or sham bid. The bidder has not directly or indirectly colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed with any bidder or anyone else to put in a sham bid, or to refrain from bidding. The bidder has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement, communication, or conference with anyone to fix the bid price of the bidder or of any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of the bid price, or of that of any other bidder. All statements contained in the bid are true. The bidder has not, directly or indirectly, submitted his or her bid price or any breakdown thereof, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto, to any corporation, partnership, company, association, organization, bid depository, or to any member or agent thereof, to effectuate a collusion or sham bid, and has not paid, and will not pay, any person or entity for such purpose.

Any person executing this declaration on behalf of a bidder that is a corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other entity, hereby represents that he or she has full power to execute, and does execute, this declaration on behalf of the bidder.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration is executed on 1/06/2026 [date], at Bakersfield [city], California [state].

Signed: 

Title: President



# Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

Home Office: P.O. Box 1227, Baltimore, MD 21203-1227

Bond No. **12312025-1**

## BID BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, **HPS MECHANICAL, INC.**, as Principal, (hereinafter called the "Principal"), and the **FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND**, of Baltimore, Maryland, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Maryland, as Surety, (hereinafter called the "Surety"), are held and firmly bound unto **SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY** as Obligee, (hereinafter called the "Obligee"), in the sum of **TEN PERCENT OF BID AMOUNT** Dollars (**\$10%**), for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, the said Principal and the said Surety, bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

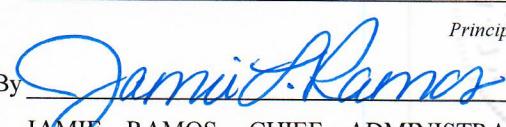
WHEREAS, the Principal has submitted a bid for **CENTRAL PLANT MEDICAL VACUUM SYSTEM REPLACEMENT - COTTON**.

NOW, THEREFORE, if the Obligee shall accept the bid of the Principal and the Principal shall enter into a contract with the Obligee in accordance with the terms of such bid and give such bond or bonds as may be specified in the bidding or contract documents with good and sufficient surety for the faithful performance of such contract and for the prompt payment of labor and material furnished in the prosecution thereof, or in the event of the failure of the principal to enter into such contract and give such bond or bonds, if the Principal shall pay to the Obligee the difference not to exceed the penalty hereof between the amount specified in said bid and such larger amount for which the Obligee may in good faith contract with another party to perform the work covered by said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Signed and sealed this **31ST** day of **DECEMBER** A.D. **2025**.

HPS MECHANICAL, INC.

*Principal*

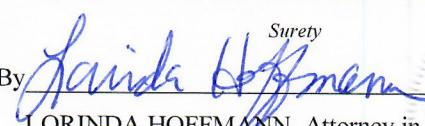
By   
(SEAL)

JAMIE RAMOS, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE  
OFFICER

*Witness*

**FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND**

*Surety*

By   
(SEAL)

LORINDA HOFFMANN, Attorney in Fact

C325-150M,

Approved by The American Institute of Architects,



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# CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

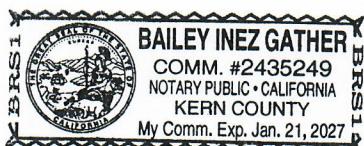
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State of California  
County of KERN

On 12/31/2025 before me, Bailey Inez Gather, Notary Public  
Date Name and Title of Officer (e.g., "Jane Doe, Notary Public")

personally appeared Lorinda Hoffmann  
Name(s) of Signer(s)

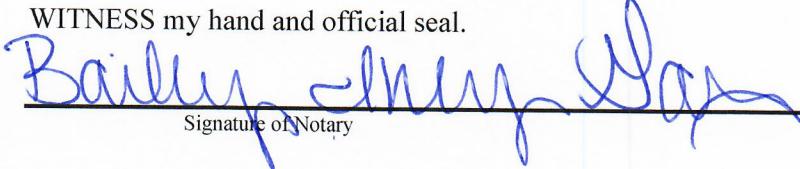
who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.



Place Notary Seal Above

I certify under the PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

  
Signature of Notary

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Corporate Officer – Titles(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Partner(s)     Limited     General  
 Individual     Attorney in Fact  
 Trustee(s)     Guardian/Conservator  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Signer is Representing: Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

Name of Person(s) or Entity(ies) \_\_\_\_\_

RIGHT THUMBPRINT

OF SIGNER



**CALIFORNIA ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

CIVIL CODE § 1189

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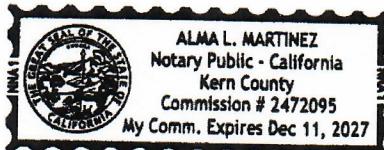
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Name(s) of Signer(s)

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that ~~he/she/they~~ executed the same in ~~his/her/their~~ authorized capacity(ies), and that by ~~his/her/their~~ signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.



Place Notary Seal and/or Stamp Above

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature

Signature of Notary Public

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Signer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

 Corporate Officer – Title(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Partner –  Limited  General Individual  Attorney in Fact Trustee  Guardian or Conservator Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Signer is Representing: \_\_\_\_\_

Signer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY  
COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY  
FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND  
POWER OF ATTORNEY**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That the ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation of the State of New York, the COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY, a corporation of the State of Illinois, and the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND a corporation of the State of Illinois (herein collectively called the "Companies"), by Christopher Nolan, Vice President, in pursuance of authority granted by Article V, Section 8, of the By-Laws of said Companies, which are set forth on the reverse side hereof and are hereby certified to be in full force and effect on the date hereof, do hereby nominate, constitute, and appoint Wes BRADFORD, Elizabeth AGUINAGA, Johannah GRIFFITH, Lorinda HOFFMANN, Julie SANDERS, Lori MCQUILLIAMS of Bakersfield, California, its true and lawful agent and Attorney-in-Fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver, for, and on its behalf as surety, and as its act and deed: **any and all bonds and undertakings**, and the execution of such bonds or undertakings in pursuance of these presents, shall be as binding upon said Companies, as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if they had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY at its office in New York, New York., the regularly elected officers of the COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY at its office in Owings Mills, Maryland., and the regularly elected officers of the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND at its office in Owings Mills, Maryland., in their own proper persons.

The said Vice President does hereby certify that the extract set forth on the reverse side hereof is a true copy of Article V, Section 8, of the By-Laws of said Companies, and is now in force.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Vice-President has hereunto subscribed his/her names and affixed the Corporate Seals of the said ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY, and FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND, this 28th day of January, A.D. 2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chris Nolan'.

By: Christopher Nolan  
Vice President

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dawn E. Brown'.

By: Dawn E. Brown  
Secretary

**State of Maryland  
County of Baltimore**

On this 28th day of January, A.D. 2025, before the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, duly commissioned and qualified, **Christopher Nolan, Vice President and Dawn E. Brown, Secretary** of the Companies, to me personally known to be the individuals and officers described in and who executed the preceding instrument, and acknowledged the execution of same, and being by me duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that he/she is the said officer of the Company aforesaid, and that the seals affixed to the preceding instrument are the Corporate Seals of said Companies, and that the said Corporate Seals and the signature as such officer were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority and direction of the said Corporations.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal the day and year first above written.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Genevieve M. Maison'.

Genevieve M. Maison  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expire January 27, 2029



## EXTRACT FROM BY-LAWS OF THE COMPANIES

"Article V, Section 8, Attorneys-in-Fact. The Chief Executive Officer, the President, or any Executive Vice President or Vice President may, by written instrument under the attested corporate seal, appoint attorneys-in-fact with authority to execute bonds, policies, recognizances, stipulations, undertakings, or other like instruments on behalf of the Company, and may authorize any officer or any such attorney-in-fact to affix the corporate seal thereto; and may with or without cause modify or revoke any such appointment or authority at any time."

### CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Vice President of the ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, the COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY, and the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND, do hereby certify that the foregoing Power of Attorney is still in full force and effect on the date of this certificate; and I do further certify that Article V, Section 8, of the By-Laws of the Companies is still in force.

This Power of Attorney and Certificate may be signed by facsimile under and by authority of the following resolution of the Board of Directors of the ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY at a meeting duly called and held on the 15th day of December 1998.

RESOLVED: "That the signature of the President or a Vice President and the attesting signature of a Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the Seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any Power of Attorney...Any such Power or any certificate thereof bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company."

This Power of Attorney and Certificate may be signed by facsimile under and by authority of the following resolution of the Board of Directors of the COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY at a meeting duly called and held on the 5th day of May, 1994, and the following resolution of the Board of Directors of the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND at a meeting duly called and held on the 10th day of May, 1990.

RESOLVED: "That the facsimile or mechanically reproduced seal of the company and facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of any Vice-President, Secretary, or Assistant Secretary of the Company, whether made heretofore or hereafter, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power of attorney issued by the Company, shall be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the corporate seals of the said Companies, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of DECEMBER, 2025.



*MJ Pethick*

Mary Jean Pethick  
Vice President

**TO REPORT A CLAIM WITH REGARD TO A SURETY BOND, PLEASE SUBMIT A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF THE CLAIM INCLUDING THE PRINCIPAL ON THE BOND, THE BOND NUMBER, AND YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION TO:**

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Schaumburg, IL 60196-1056  
[reportsclaims@zurichna.com](mailto:reportsclaims@zurichna.com)  
800-626-4577

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