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	b.	X \$	- Stored f	Materials		\$	
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		le to date (Line				\$	404,348.25
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Progress	Estimate -	Unit	Price	Work

Contractor's Application for Payment

Owner:	City of Diamondhead	Owner's Project No.:	
Engineer:	MP Design Group	Engineer's Project No.:	0275.23.001
Contractor:	LI Construction Inc.	Contractor's Project No.:	
Project:	Hilo Way Master Drainage Improvements		
Contract:			

Application	No.: 2 Application Perio	d: From	01/01/35	ta	02/06/25						Applica	tion Date:	02/06/25
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No.	Description	item Quantity	Units	(5)	(\$)	App nal Contract	X G) (\$)	the Work	(5)	(5)	(\$)	(%)	(5)
		200	LF	\$ 4.50	900.00	S4.11	378.50	84.11	378.50		378,50	42%	521.5
Q15713-B	Temporary Sit Fence	200							378.50		3/8.30		
015713-C	Temporary Straw Wattles	25	EA	\$ 100.00	2,500.00	25.00	2,500.00	25.00				0%	2,500.0
017113-A	Mobilization	1	LS	\$ 30,500.00	30,500.00	0.67	20,435.00	1.00	30,500.00		30,500.00	100%	
024100-B	Removal of Asphalt Pavement (All Thicknesses)	285	SY	\$ 8.00	2,280.00			304.00	2,432.00		2,432.00	107%	(152.0
024100-C	Removal of Concrete Pavement (All Thicknesses)	165	SY	5 9.00	1,485.00	79.00	711.00	154.00	1,386.00		1,385.00	93%	99.0
024100-F	Removal of Pipe, All Sizes	700	LF	5 10.50	7,350.00			753.00	7,906.50		7,906.50	108%	(556.5
024100H1	Removal of Drainage Manhole (All Sizes)	6	EA	\$ 600.00	3,600.00			6.00	3,600.00		3,600,00	100%	
D24100H2	Removal of Drainage Structures	4	EA	5 600,00	2,400.00			6.00	3,600.00		3,600,00	150%	(1,200.0
024100-1	Rerouting of Weter Main	4	EA	\$ 6,150.00	24,600.00		14				-	0%	24,600.0
312316-A	Unclassified Excavation (PM)	700	CY	5 12.00	8,400,00	547.00	6,564.00	700.00	8,400.00		8,400.00	100%	-
312316-C	Borrow Excavation (PM)(AH) Class 83	150	CY	\$ 17.00	2,550.00	200,00	3,400.00	350.00	5,950.00		5,950.00	233%	(3,400.0)
312816-D	Excess Excavation (PM)	100	CY	5 12.00	1,200.00			100,00	1,200.00		1,200.00	100%	
321123-A	"610" Limestone (PM)	80	CY	5 125.00	10,000,00			80.00	10,000.00		10,000.00	100%	-
321123-8	Site II Stabilizer Aggregate (Gravel) (PM)	120	CY	5 125.00	15,000.00			120.00	15,000.00		15,000.00	100%	-
32123-C	100 LB Rip Rap	600	SY	\$ 100.00	60,000,00	695.00	69,500.00	695.00	69,500.00		69,500.00	116%	(9,500.00
32121G-A	Hot Bituminous Pavement, 1.5" Thick Surface Course 9.5mm	285	SY	\$ 33.25	9,476.25	285.00	9,476.25	285.00	9,476.25		9,476.25	100%	
321216-5	Hot Bituminous Pavement, 2.25" Thick Surface Course 19mm	285	ŚY	\$ 50.40	14,364.00	285.00	14,364.00	285,00	14,364.00		14,364.00	100%	
321313-A	Concrete Pavement, 6" thick	165	SY	\$ 115.00	18,975,00	154.00	17,710.00	154.00	17,710.00		17,710.00	93%	1,265.0
329223-A	Sodding (PM)	900	SY	S 12.00	10,800.00	2,000.00	24,000.00	2,000.00	24,000.00		24,000.00	222%	(13,200.00
	36" Reinforced Concrete Pipe	35	LF	\$ 142.80	4,998.00		-	40.00	5,712.00		5,712,00	114%	(714.0
334000A2	36" x 23" reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe	280	LF	\$ 133.75	37,450,00			284.00	37,985.00		37,985.00	101%	(535,0
33400CA3	44" x 27" Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe	53	LF	\$ 164.00	10,332.00			64.00	10,496.00		10,495.00	102%	(164.0
	51"x 31" Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe	266	LF	5 218.00	57,988.00		-	264.00	57,552.00		57,552.00	99%	436.0
	Concrete Drain Inlets (All Sizes)	4	EA	\$ 4,800.00	19,200.00	1.00	4,800.00	4.00	19,200.00		19,200.00	100%	
3340Q0-C	Concrete Headwalf (All Sizes)	12	EA	\$ 4,000.00	48,000.00			12.00	48,000.00		48,000.00	100%	-
											-	0%	
				al Contract Totals	\$ 404,348.25		\$ 173,838.75		\$ 404,348.25	š -	\$ 404,348.25	100%	

Progress Estin	nate - Unit Price Work											Contractor's Ap	nlication	for Payment
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Contractor's Affidavit of Release of Liens

PROJECT: (Name and address)	ARCHITECT'S PROJECT	OWNER:
Hillo Way master	NUMBER: 0275. 23. ∞1	ARCHITECT:
Drainage Project	CONTRACT FOR: General Construction	CONTRACTOR:
TO OWNER: (Name and address)	CONTRACT DATED: Oliveland	SURETY:
Soo Diamondhead &	19525	OTHER:
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STATE OF: V COUNTY OF: Hours

The undersigned hereby certifies that to the best of the undersigned's knowledge, information and belief, except as listed below, the Releases or Waivers of Lien attached hereto include the Contractor, all Subcontractors, all suppliers of materials and equipment, and all performers of Work, labor or services who have or may have liens or encumbrances or the right to assert liens or encumbrances against any property of the Owner arising in any manner out of the performance of the Contract referenced above.

EXCEPTIONS:

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ATTACHED HERETO:

- Contractor's Release or Waiver of Liens, conditional upon receipt of final payment.
- 2. Separate Releases or Waivers of Liens from Subcontractors and material and equipment suppliers, to the extent required by the Owner, accompanied by a list thereof.

CONTRACTOR: (Name and address) LT Construction

(Signature of authorized

representative) Duis .

(Printed name and title)

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this date:

Notary Public:

My Commission Expires:



Contractor's Affidavit of Payment of Debts and Claims

PROJE	CT: (Name and address)	ARCHITECT'S PROJ	ECT NUMBER: 0275.23.001 OWNER: ARCHITECT:
	NER: (Name and address)	CONTRACT FOR: Ger CONTRACT DATED:	neral Construction CONTRACTOR:
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all know	ise been satisfied for all materia wn indebtedness and claims ag	Is and equipment furn ainst the Contractor for	w, payment has been made in full and all obligations have hished, for all work, labor, and services performed, and for or damages arising in any manner in connection with the e Owner or Owner's property might in any way be held
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The foll hereto i	owing supporting documents si f required by the Owner:	nould be attached	BY: Signature of authorized representative) Out J. South - President
1.	Contractor's Release or Waiv conditional upon receipt of fir	er of Liens, all payment.	(Printed name and title)
2.	Separate Releases or Waivers Subcontractors and material a suppliers, to the extent require accompanied by a list thereof	nd equipment ed by the Owner,	Subscribed and sworn to before me on this date: 2/20/25
3.	Contractor's Affidavit of Rele Document G706A).		Notary Public: My Commission Expires: OF MISS OF MISS ID # 84389 CHASITY SMITH Commission Expires Feb. 28, 2027
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CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY

To Owner: City of Diamondhead

Project Name: Hilo Way Master Drainage Project

The contractor signatory below, L J Construction Inc ("Contractor") hereby guarantees the City of Diamondhead("Owner") that the construction performed on the Hilo Way Master Drainage project to be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of one year from the date of substantial completion (01/24/25).

This standard limited warranty applies and is limited as follows:

- 1. To the construction work that has not been subjected to accident, misuse or abuse.
- 2. To the construction work that had not been modified, altered, defaced or had repairs made or attempted by others.
- 3. That the contractor be immediately notified in writing within ten (10) days of becoming aware of defect by owner or his agent.
- 4. Under no circumstances shall the contractor be liable by virtue of this warranty or otherwise damage to any person or property whatsoever for any special, indirect, secondary or consequential damages of any nature however arising out of the use or inability to use because of the construction defect.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

PRINTED NAME AND TITLE DATE: 2/30/3

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this date: 2/20/35

BY: Charite Smile





Consent Of Surety to Final Payment Bond # 100433052 PROJECT: (Name and address) ARCHITECT'S PROJECT NUMBER: OWNER: [] Hilo Master Drainage Improvements (Drainage Infrastructure Improvements at (4) CONTRACT FOR: Construction ARCHITECT: Different locations) TO OWNER: (Name and address) CONTRACTOR: CONTRACT DATED: City of Diamondhead SURETY: 5000 Diamondhead Circle Diamondhead, MS 39525 OTHER: In accordance with the provisions of the Contract between the Owner and the Contractor as indicated above, the (Insert name and address of Surety) Merchants National Bonding, Inc. P.O. Box 14498 Des Moines, IA 50306 , SURETY. on bond of (Insert name and address of Contractor) L J Construction Inc. 11226 Dobson Rd Gulfport, MS 39503 hereby approves of the final payment to the Contractor, and agrees that final payment to the Contractor shall not relieve the Surety , CONTRACTOR. of any of its obligations to (Insert name and address of Owner) City of Diamondhead 5000 Diamondhead Circle Diamondhead, MS 39525 , OWNER. as set forth in said Surety's bond. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Surety has hercunto set its hand on this date: February 21st, 2025 (Insert in writing the month followed by the numeric date and year.) Merchants National Bonding, Inc. (Surety) (Signature of authorized representative) lebbre Dunawag

Lisa R. Butler, Attorney-in-Fact

(Printed name and title)



Know All Persons By These Presents, that MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., both being corporations of the State of Iowa, d/b/a Merchants National Indemnity Company (in California only) (herein collectively called the "Companies") do hereby make, constitute and appoint, individually,

Charlotte Ramsey; Chris Boone; David R Fortenberry; Debbie Dunaway; Dewey B Mason; James Eley Brashier; Jennifer Roberts; Julie C Livingston; Kathleen Scarborough; Kimberty B Barhum; Lessie Ryan Anderson; Lisa R Butler; Mary J Norval; Patrick Thomas Mason; Sharon L Tuten; Susan Skrmetta; Troy P Wagener

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to sign its name as surety(ies) and to execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, undertakings, contracts and other written instruments in the nature thereof, on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

This Power-of-Attorney is granted and is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by authority of the following By-Laws adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual) on April 23, 2011 and amended August 14, 2015 and adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants National Bonding, Inc., on October 16, 2015.

"The President, Secretary, Treasurer, or any Assistant Treasurer or any Assistant Secretary or any Vice President shall have power and authority to appoint Attorneys-in-Fact, and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company, and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof."

"The signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile or electronic transmission to any Power of Attorney or Certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the Company, and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually fixed."

In connection with obligations in favor of the Florida Department of Transportation only, it is agreed that the power and aut hority hereby given to the Attorney-in-Fact includes any and all consents for the release of retained percentages and/or final estimates on engineering and construction contracts required by the State of Florida Department of Transportation. It is fully understood that consenting to the State of Florida Department of Transportation making payment of the final estimate to the Contractor and/or its assignee, shall not relieve this surety company of any of

In connection with obligations in favor of the Kentucky Department of Highways only, it is agreed that the power and authority hereby given to the Attorney-in-Fact cannot be modified or revoked unless prior written personal notice of such intent has been given to the Commissioner-Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Kentucky at least thirty (30) days prior to the modification or revocation.

In Witness Whereof, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and sealed this 3rd day of February 2024

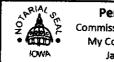


MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL)
MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.
d/b/a MERCHANTS NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY

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STATE OF IOWA COUNTY OF DALLAS ss.

On this 3rd day of February 2024, before me appeared Larry Taylor, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn did say that he is President of MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.; and that the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument are the Corporate Seals of the Companies; and that the said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of the Companies by authority of their respective Boards of Directors.



Penni Miller

Commission Number 787952 My Commission Expires January 20, 2027

(Expiration of notary's commission does not invalidate this instrument)

Notary Public

I, William Warner, Jr., Secretary of MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the POWER-OF-ATTORNEY executed by said Companies, which is still in full force and effect and has not been amended or revoked.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Companies on this 21st day of February , 2025



POA 0018 (1/24)