

PERFORMANCE, PAYMENT, AND MAINTENANCE BOND

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, Aspro, Inc., as Principal (hereinafter the "Contractor" or "Principal" and Swiss Re Corporate Solutions America Insurance Corporation, as Surety are held and firmly bound unto the City of Independence, Iowa, as Obligee (hereinafter referred to as "the Jurisdiction"), and to all persons who may be injured by any breach of any of the conditions of this Bond in the penal sum of ~~Three Hundred Seventy One Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Five and 45/100~~ Three Hundred Seventy One Thousand Eight Hundred dollars (\$ 371,845.45) lawful money of the United States, for the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, legal representatives and assigns, jointly or severally, firmly by these presents.

The conditions of the above obligations are such that whereas said Contractor entered into a contract with the Jurisdiction, bearing date the _____ day of _____, 2024, hereinafter the "Contract") wherein said Contractor undertakes and agrees to construct the following described improvements:

**2024 Street Rehabilitation
Independence, Iowa**

and to faithfully perform all the terms and requirements of said Contract within the time therein specified, in a good and workmanlike manner, and in accordance with the Contract Documents. Provided, however, that one year after the date of acceptance as complete of the work under the above referenced Contract, the maintenance portion of this Bond shall continue in force but the penal sum for maintenance shall be reduced to the sum of Three Hundred Seventy One Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Five and 45/100 dollars (\$ 371,845.45), which is the cost associated with those items shown on the proposal and in the Contract that require a maintenance bond period in excess of one year.

It is expressly understood and agreed by the Contractor and Surety in this bond that the following provisions are a part of this Bond and are binding upon said Contractor and Surety, to-wit:

1. **PERFORMANCE:** The Contractor shall well and faithfully observe, perform, fulfill, and abide by each and every covenant, condition, and part of said Contract and Contract Documents, by reference made a part hereof, for the above referenced improvements, and shall indemnify and save harmless the Jurisdiction from all outlay and expense incurred by the Jurisdiction by reason of the Contractor's default of failure to perform as required. The Contractor shall also be responsible for the default or failure to perform as required under the Contract and Contract Documents by all its subcontractors, suppliers, agents, or employees furnishing materials or providing labor in the performance of the Contract.
2. **PAYMENT:** The Contractor and the Surety on this Bond hereby agreed to pay all just claims submitted by persons, firms, subcontractors, and corporations furnishing materials for or performing labor in the performance of the Contract on account of which this Bond is given, including but not limited to claims for all amounts due for labor, materials, lubricants, oil, gasoline, repairs on machinery, equipment, and tools, consumed or used by the Contractor or any subcontractor, wherein the same are not satisfied out of the portion of the contract price the Jurisdiction is required to retain until completion of the improvement, but the Contractor and Surety shall not be liable to said persons, firms, or corporations unless the claims of said claimants against said portion of the contract price shall have been established as provided by law. The Contractor and Surety hereby bind themselves to the

obligations and conditions set forth in Chapter 573 of the Iowa Code, which by this reference is made a part hereof as though fully set out herein.

3. MAINTENANCE: The Contractor and the Surety on this Bond hereby agree, at their own expense:
 - A. To remedy any and all defects that may develop in or result from work to be performed under the Contract within the period of four (4) year (s) from the date of acceptance of the work under the Contract, by reason of defects in workmanship or materials used in construction of said work;
 - B. To keep all work in continuous good repair; and
 - C. To pay the Jurisdiction's reasonable costs of monitoring and inspection to assure that any defects are remedied, and to repay the Jurisdiction all outlay and expense incurred as a result of Contractor's and Surety's failure to remedy any defect as required by this section.
 - E. Maintenance bond requirements shall not apply to the following: work that is not permanently incorporated into the project, pavement markings, seeding, sodding, and plant material and planting.
4. GENERAL: Every Surety on this Bond shall be deemed and held bound, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding, to the following provisions:
 - A. To consent without notice to any extension of time to the Contractor in which to perform the Contract;
 - B. To consent without notice to any change in the Contract or Contract Documents, which thereby increases the total contract price and the penal sum of this bond, provided that all such changes do not, in the aggregate, involve an increase of more than 20% of the total contract price, and that this bond shall then be released as to such excess increase; and
 - C. To consent without notice that this Bond shall remain in full force and effect until the Contract is completed, whether completed within the specified contract period, within an extension thereof, or within a period of time after the contract period has elapsed and the liquidated damage penalty is being charged against the Contractor.
 - D. That no provision of this Bond or of any other contract shall be valid that limits to less than five years after the acceptance of the work under the Contract the right to sue on this Bond.
 - E. That as used herein, the phrase "all outlay and expense" is not to be limited in any way, but shall include the actual and reasonable costs and expenses incurred by the Jurisdiction including interest, benefits, and overhead where applicable. Accordingly, "all outlay and expense" would include but not be limited to all contract or employee expense, all equipment usage or rental, materials, testing, outside experts, attorneys fees (including overhead expenses of the Jurisdiction's staff attorneys), and all costs and expenses of litigation as they are incurred by the Jurisdiction. It is intended the Contractor and Surety will defend and indemnify the Jurisdiction on all claims made against the Jurisdiction on account of Contractor's failure to perform as required in the Contract and Contract Documents, that all agreements and promises set forth in the Contract and Contract Documents, in approved change orders, and in this Bond will be fulfilled, and that the Jurisdiction will be fully indemnified so that it will be put into the position it would have been in had the Contract been performed in the first instance as required.

In the event the Jurisdiction incurs any "outlay and expense" in defending itself against any claim as to which the Contractor or Surety should have provided the defense, or in the enforcement of the promises given by the Contractor in the Contract, Contract Documents, or approved change orders, or in the enforcement of the promises given by the Contractor and Surety in this Bond, the Contractor and Surety agree that they will make the Jurisdiction whole for all such outlay and expense, provided that the Surety's obligation under this bond shall not exceed 125% of the penal sum of this bond.

In the event that any actions or proceedings are initiated regarding this Bond, the parties agree that the venue thereof shall be Buchanan County, State of Iowa. If legal action is required by the Jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this Bond or to collect the monetary obligation incurring to the benefit of the Jurisdiction, the Contractor and the Surety agree, jointly, and severally, to pay the Jurisdiction all outlay and expense incurred therefore by the Jurisdiction. All rights, powers, and remedies of the Jurisdiction hereunder shall be cumulative and not alternative and shall be in addition to all rights, powers, and remedies given to the Jurisdiction, by law. The Jurisdiction may proceed against surety for any amount guaranteed hereunder whether action is brought against the Contractor or whether Contractor is joined in any such action(s) or not.

NOW THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that if said Principal shall faithfully perform all the promises of the Principal, as set forth and provided in the Contract, in the Contract Documents, and in this Bond, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

When a work, term, or phrase is used in this Bond, it shall be interpreted or construed first as defined in this Bond, the Contract, or the Contract Documents; second, if not defined in the Bond, Contract, or Contract Documents, it shall be interpreted or construed as defined in applicable provisions of the Iowa Code; third, if not defined in the Iowa Code, it shall be interpreted or construed according to its generally accepted meaning in the construction industry; and fourth, if it has no generally accepted meaning in the construction industry, it shall be interpreted or construed according to its common or customary usage.

Failure to specify or particularize shall not exclude terms or provisions not mentioned and shall not limit liability hereunder. The Contract and Contract Documents are hereby made a part of this Bond.

Witness our hands, in triplicate, this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Surety Countersigned By:

Not Required

Signature of Agent

Printed Name of Agent

Company Name

Company Address

City, State, Zip Code

Company Telephone Number

FORM APPROVED BY:

Attorney for Jurisdiction

PRINCIPAL:

Aspro, Inc.

Contractor

By:

Signature

Vice President

Title

SURETY:

Swiss Re Corporate Solutions America
Insurance Corporation

Surety Company

By:

Signature Attorney-in-Fact Officer

Cindy Bennett, Attorney-in-fact & Iowa Resident Agent

Printed Name of Attorney-in-Fact Officer

Holmes, Murphy and Associates LLC

Company Name

2727 Grand Prairie Parkway

Company Address

Waukee, IA 50263

City, State, Zip Code

(515) 223-6800

Company Telephone Number

NOTE:

1. All signatures on this performance, payment, and maintenance bond must be original signatures in ink; copies, facsimile, or electronic signatures will not be accepted.
2. This bond must be sealed with the Surety's raised, embossing seal.
3. The Certificate or Power of Attorney accompanying this bond must be valid on its face and sealed with the Surety's raised, embossing seal.
4. The name and signature of the Surety's Attorney-in-Fact/Officer entered on this bond must be exactly as listed on the Certificate or Power of Attorney accompanying this bond.

SWISS RE CORPORATE SOLUTIONS

SWISS RE CORPORATE SOLUTIONS AMERICA INSURANCE CORPORATION ("SRCSAIC")
SWISS RE CORPORATE SOLUTIONS PREMIER INSURANCE CORPORATION ("SRCSPIC")
WESTPORT INSURANCE CORPORATION ("WIC")

GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT SRCSAIC, a corporation duly organized and existing under laws of the State of Missouri, and having its principal office in the City of Kansas City, Missouri, and SRCSPIC, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri and having its principal office in the City of Kansas City, Missouri, and WIC, organized under the laws of the State of Missouri, and having its principal office in the City of Kansas City, Missouri, each does hereby make, constitute and appoint:

JAY D. FREIERMUTH, CRAIG E. HANSEN, BRIAN M. DEIMERLY, CINDY BENNETT, ANNE CROWNER, TIM McCULLOH, DIONE R. YOUNG,
SETH ROOKER, JENNIFER MARINO, JOSEPH TIERNAN, KATE ZANDERS, SARA HUSTON, JOHN CORD

LUKAS SCHRODER and JAMIE GIFFORD JOINTLY OR SEVERALLY

Its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver, for and on its behalf and as its act and deed, bonds or other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond on behalf of each of said Companies, as surety, on contracts of suretyship as are or may be required or permitted by law, regulation, contract or otherwise, provided that no bond or undertaking or contract or suretyship executed under this authority shall exceed the amount of:

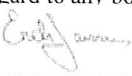
ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE MILLION (\$125,000,000.00) DOLLARS

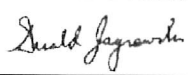
This Power of Attorney is granted and is signed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of both SRCSAIC and SRCSPIC at meetings duly called and held on the 18th of November 2021 and WIC by written consent of its Executive Committee dated July 18, 2011.

"RESOLVED, that any two of the President, any Managing Director, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary be, and each or any of them hereby is, authorized to execute a Power of Attorney qualifying the attorney named in the given Power of Attorney to execute on behalf of the Corporation bonds, undertakings and all contracts of surety, and that each or any of them hereby is authorized to attest to the execution of any such Power of Attorney and to attach therein the seal of the Corporation; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signature of such officers and the seal of the Corporation 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 binding upon the Corporation when so affixed and in the future with regard to any bond, undertaking or contract of surety to which it is attached."



By 
Erik Janssens, Senior Vice President of SRCSAIC & Senior Vice President
of SRCSPIC & Senior Vice President of WIC

By 
Gerald Jagrowski, Vice President of SRCSAIC & Vice President of SRCSPIC
& Vice President of WIC



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, SRCSAIC, SRCSPIC, and WIC have caused their official seals to be hereunto affixed, and these presents to be signed by their authorized officers

this 2nd day of FEBRUARY, 20 24

State of Illinois
County of Cook



Swiss Re Corporate Solutions America Insurance Corporation
Swiss Re Corporate Solutions Premier Insurance Corporation
Westport Insurance Corporation


On this 2nd day of FEBRUARY, 20 24, before me, a Notary Public personally appeared Erik Janssens, Senior Vice President of SRCSAIC and Senior Vice President of SRCSPIC and Senior Vice President of WIC and Gerald Jagrowski, Vice President of SRCSAIC and Vice President of SRCSPIC and Vice President of WIC, personally known to me, who being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that they signed the above Power of Attorney as officers of and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of their respective companies.




Christina Manisco, Notary

I, Jeffrey Goldberg, the duly elected Senior Vice President and Assistant Secretary of SRCSAIC and SRCSPIC and WIC, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Power of Attorney given by said SRCSAIC and SRCSPIC and WIC, which is still in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed the seals of the Companies this day of , 20 24.


Jeffrey Goldberg, Senior Vice President &
Assistant Secretary of SRCSAIC and
SRCSPIC and WIC