

STATUTORY BOND

Know all men by these presents that Vortex Services, LLC as PRINCIPAL, and Ascot Surety & Casualty Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Colorado, and authorized to transact business in the State of Oklahoma, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Oklahoma in the sum of One Hundred Seventy Two Thousand Six Hundred Thirty and 0/100 DOLLARS (\$ 172,630.00), or the payment of which sum PRINCIPAL and SURETY bind themselves, their heirs executors, administrators, successors and assigns jointly and severally.

WHEREAS, the conditions of this obligation are such, that the PRINCIPAL, being the lowest and best Bidder on the following PROJECT:

**K-2526-144 Halifax and Ridgemont Stormwater Pipe Lining**

has entered into a written CONTRACT (~~K-2425-69~~ <sup>K-2526-144</sup>) with THE CITY OF NORMAN, dated this      day of February, 2026, for the erection and construction of this PROJECT, that CONTRACT being incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, if the PRINCIPAL, shall properly and promptly complete the work on this PROJECT in accordance with the CONTRACT, and shall well and truly pay all indebtedness incurred for labor and materials and repairs to and parts for equipment furnished in the making of the PROJECT, whether incurred by the PRINCIPAL, his subcontractors, or any material men, then this obligation shall be void. Otherwise this obligation shall remain in full force and effect. If debts are not paid within thirty (30) days after the same becomes due and payable, the person, firm, or corporation entitled thereto may sue and recover on this Bond, subject to the provisions of 6l O.S. S2, for the amount so due and unpaid.

It is further expressly agreed and understood by the parties hereto that no changes or alterations in said CONTRACT and no deviations from the plan or mode of procedure herein fixed shall have the effect of releasing the SURETIES, or any of them, from the obligation of this Bond.

It is further expressly agreed that the Principal's obligations under this Bond include payment of not less than the prevailing hourly rate of wages as established by the Commissioner of Labor of the State of Oklahoma and by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor or as determined by a court on appeal.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the PRINCIPAL has caused these presents to be executed in its name and its corporate seal (where applicable) to be hereunto affixed by its duly authorized representative(s), on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2026, and the SURETY has caused these presents to be executed in its name and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed by its authorized representative on the      day of February, 2026.

(Corporate Seal) (where applicable)

ATTEST

  
Corporate Secretary (where applicable)  
*witness*

Principal  
Signed: 

Authorized Representative  
Title: CFO

Address: 521 Federal Road

Livermore, ME 04253

Telephone: 713-750-9081

(Corporate Seal) (where applicable)

Surety: Ascot Surety & Casualty Company

ATTEST:

Signed: *Laura Kneitz*  
Authorized Representative

*Tam Jones*  
Tam Jones

Printed: Laura Kneitz  
Authorized Representative

Title: Attorney-in-Fact

Address: 1020 Highland Colony Parkway, Suite 700,  
Ridgeland, MS 39157

Telephone: (646) 356-8101

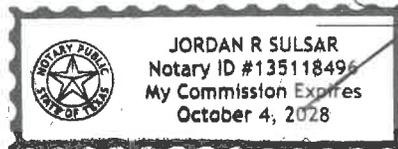
**CORPORATE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

STATE OF Texas )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF Harris )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledge before me this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2026, by Matt Samford - CFO (Name and Title), of Vortex Services, LLC a(n) corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2026.

My Commission Expires: 10/04/2028



*Jordan R Sulsar*  
Notary Public

**INDIVIDUAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledge before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_ (Name and Title) of \_\_\_\_\_ a(n) corporation.

WITNESS my hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PARTNERSHIP ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledge before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_,  
by \_\_\_\_\_ (Name and Title) \_\_\_\_\_  
(partner/agent) on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_, a partnership.

WITNESS my hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:  
\_\_\_\_\_

**CITY OF NORMAN**

Approved as to form and legality this 6 day of February, 2026

Elisabeth Luckala

City Attorney

Approved by the Council of the City of Norman this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor Stephen T. Holman



# Power of Attorney

## KNOW ALL MEN BY THE PRESENTS:

That Ascot Surety & Casualty Company and Ascot Insurance Company, each a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Colorado (the "Companies"), do hereby constitute and appoint:

Robert F. Bobo, Aaron P. Clark, Timothy F. Kelly, Teresa D. Kelly, Laura Kneitz, Rachel Richardson, Nick Patetta, Craig C. Payne, Tami Jones, Daisy Greathouse, Erica Kneitz, Kala Kelly, Lauren Rumsey, Ivette Bustos, Walker Wilks, and Allison Howell

of Houston, TX (city, state) and each its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full authority to sign, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver for, and on its behalf, and as its act and deed any place within the United States, or, if the following line is filled in, only within the area and up to the amount therein designated, any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances, and other contracts of indemnity or writings obligatory in the nature thereof, issued in the course of its surety business, and to bond the Companies as follows:

**Any such obligations in the United States not to exceed \$100,000,000.00.**

The Companies hereby ratify and confirm all and whatsoever said Attorney(s)-in-fact may lawfully do in the premises by virtue of these presents. These appointments are made under and by authority Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Companies, which resolutions are still in effect:

RESOLVED, that any of the Chief Executive Office, the Chief Operating Officer or the Chief Underwriting Officer, acting in conjunction with the head of the surety business line for the Corporation (each an Authorized Individual" and, collectively, the Authorized Individuals"), are authorized to jointly appoint one or more attorneys-in-fact to represent and act for and on behalf of the Corporation in the transaction of the Corporation's surety business to execute (under the common seal of the Corporation if appropriate) bonds, undertakings, recognizances and other contracts of indemnity and writings obligatory in the nature thereof;

RESOLVED, that in conjunction with the Corporation's transaction of surety business the signatures and attestations of the Authorized Individuals and the seal of the Corporation be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto (electronic or otherwise) by facsimile and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seals (electronic or otherwise) shall be valid and bonding upon the Corporation when so affixed with respect to any bond, undertaking, recognizance or tother contract of indemnity or writing obligatory in the nature thereof;

RESOLVED, that in connection with the Corporation's transaction of surety business, the facsimile electronic or mechanically reproduced signature of any Authorized Individual, whether made heretofore or hereafter, whenever appearing upon a copy of any Power of Attorney of the Corporation, with signatures affixed as next above noted, shall be valid and binding upon the Corporation with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused these presents with the respective corporate seals and to be executed by the individuals named below who are duly authorized and empowered to execute the Power of Attorney on the Companies' behalf, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025.



ASCOT SURETY & CASUALTY COMPANY  
ASCOT INSURANCE COMPANY

Matthew Conrad Kramer (Chief Executive Officer)

Tara North (Executive Vice President, Surety)

STATE OF CONNECTICUT )  
COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD ) ss.

On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025, before me came the above named Chief Executive Officer of each Ascot Surety & Casualty Company and Ascot Insurance Company and the head of the surety business line for each of Ascot Surety & Casualty Company and Ascot Insurance Company, to me personally known to be the individuals described herein, and acknowledged that the seals affixed to the preceding instrument and the corporate seals of each Ascot Surety & Casualty Company and Ascot Insurance Company, and that the said corporate seals and signatures were duly affixed and subscribed to said instrument by the authority and direction of said Companies.

**KSENIA E. GUSEVA**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
My Commission Expires June 30, 2029

Notary Public Ksenia E Guseva  
My commission expires on June 30, 2029

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Company, do hereby certify that the foregoing excerpts of the Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Companies, and the Power of Attorney issued pursuant thereto, are true and correct, and further certify that both the Resolution and the Power of Attorney are still in full force and effect.

This Certificate may be signed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies.

RESOLVED, that in connection with the Corporation's transaction of surety business the signatures and attestations of the Authorized Individuals and the seal of the Corporation be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto (electronic or otherwise) by facsimile and any such Power of Attorney of certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seal (electronic or otherwise) shall be valid and binding upon the Corporation when so affixed with respect to any bond, undertaking, recognizances or other contract of indemnity or writing obligatory in the nature thereof;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF; I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Companies, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of February, 20 26.

ASCOT SURETY & CASUALTY COMPANY  
ASCOT INSURANCE COMPANY

John Gill, Secretary