

### Addendum to Invitation for Bid 2024 City Pavement Overlays

#### Addendum # 2 3-19-2024

This is Addendum #2 to the Invitation for Bids above.

- 1. Revision to SY amount on Exhibit 1.
- 2. Addition of Exhibit 3 Road Widening Detail
- 3. See attached RFI responses.

#### End of Addendum #2

Any questions regarding this addendum may be directed as follows:

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### City of Republic - Invitation for Bid

#### 2024 City Pavement Overlays

**BID SUBMISSION DUE DATE/TIME:** Bids must be physically received at the Return location listed below by no later than the date and time set for the Bid Opening, as specified below.

**BID OPENING:** Bids will be opened at City Hall, located at 213 N. Main Avenue in Republic, MO 65738 on Thursday, March 21st, 2024, at 3:00 pm.

RETURN TO: Laura Burbridge, City Clerk, located at 213 N. Main Avenue in Republic, MO 65738

#### RULES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR BID SUBMISSION:

- Bids must be submitted on the forms provided and must be manually signed by the individual authorized to legally bind
  the Bidder. Bidders can add their own sheets for clarification of pricing on certain products if they choose.
- Bids shall be submitted with the Invitation for Bid ("IFB") project name or item clearly indicated on the outside of the mailing envelope.
- Bids received after the opening date and time will be rejected.
- The attached Terms and Conditions shall become part of and are herein expressly incorporated into any contract, agreement or award resulting from this Invitation for Bid.
- FAXED/E-MAILED BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- Projects exceeding \$75,000 in total cost shall be paid at current wage order for prevailing wage.
- You are invited to submit your Bid to furnish the materials and/or services described herein.
- Please submit your prices/fees net of all discounts. Bidders do not necessarily need to bid all requested categories, but it is encouraged.

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

- City Overlays: May Award All or Portion thereof
  - W Olive St Mill and Fill 2" from State Hwy 174 to N Main St approximately 1,987 lf.
  - N Maple Ave. 2" Overlay from E Elm St to E Harrison St approximately 451 If.
  - N Forest Ln. Mill and Fill 2" from W Hines St to W Logan St approximately 419 lf.
  - E Mill St. Overlay 2" from S Main St to S Fountain Ave approximately 1,709 lf.
  - E Rosewood St Mill and fill 2" from East Ave to S Pinewood Ave approximately 4,293 lf.
  - N Boston Ln Overlay 2" from State Hwy 174 to northern city limits (656 If north of E Wilson St). Total
    proposed length of approximately 2,148 If.
  - N Fountain Ave. Overlay 2" heading north of Elm St approximately 703 lf.
  - S Fountain Ave. Overlay 2" heading south of Elm St approximately 521 lf.
  - N Main St. Widening of Main St approximately 0-2 ft with edge treatment on each side and 2" Overlay
    from State Hwy 174 to 532 lf north of E Lapsis St. Total proposed length of approximately 3,055 lf. Note
    that widening widths and edge treatment will vary through the full length of N Main based on existing
    conditions, however, edge treatment will be limited to 2 ft maximum.
  - W Farm Road 156 Overlay 2" from James River Freeway to a length of approximately 1,535 lf.
  - W Oneal Rd. Overlay 2" from S Kansas Avenue to US State Hwy 60 approximately 2,763 lf.
  - E Harrison St Overlay 2" from US State Hwy 60 to N Lynn Ave approximately 2,683 lf.

#### Additive:

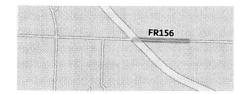
Builds Lot Paving – Subgrade leveling and compaction, with 2" asphalt overlay (7,324 SY) for existing gravel parking area and 5" asphalt overlay (1,210.2 SY) of existing gravel driveway.

Refer to **Exhibit 1** for additional information on Paving Plan. Bid to include transition milling where required to match intersecting roadways. Pavement edge treatment may be required in certain areas depending on finished surface. Paving Mixture for overlay shall be BP-1 or equivalent. Bids must include 3<sup>rd</sup> party testing not limited to base course and subgrade density and moisture content tests, asphalt density tests, and core depth verification. Bids must include pavement striping/marking and related striping plan covering all areas indicated in this package. The unit costs for asphalt shall be specified in tons; milling shall be specified in SY; and pavement striping in LF. Refer to **Exhibit 2** for additive bid item BUILDS lot paving. City of Republic Construction Specifications will apply unless otherwise noted.

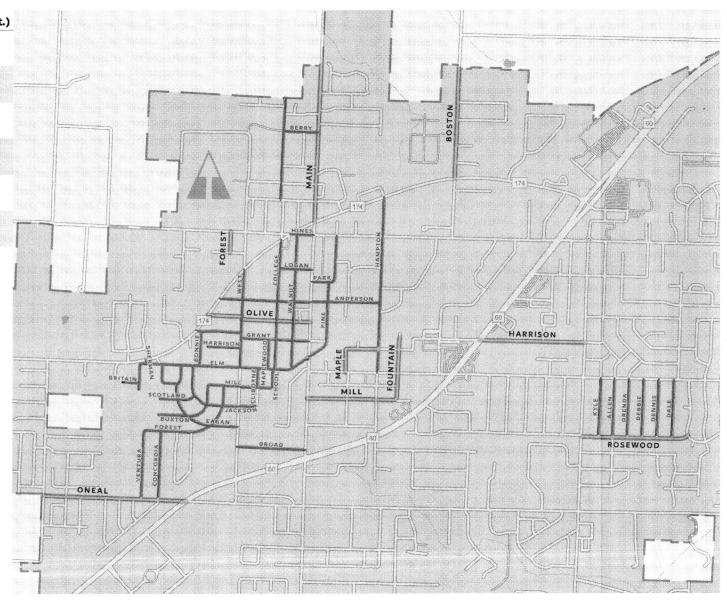
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Street	Sq. Yds.	Treatment	Length (ft
N MAIN ST	8430 <b>SY</b>	Widen W/ Over	3055 ft.
W ONEAL RD	6254 <b>SY</b>	Overlay 2"	2763 ft.
N BOSTON LN	4858 <b>SY</b>	Overlay 2"	2148 ft.
E. Rosewood	5981 <b>SY</b>	⊰Mill & Fill 2"	2080 ft.
E Harrison St	5326 <b>SY</b>	Overlay 2"	2683 ft.
E MILL ST	3515 <b>SY</b>	Overlay 2"	1709 ft.
W FARM ROAD 156	4194 <b>SY</b>	Overlay 2"	1535 ft.
W OLIVE ST	3662 <b>SY</b>	Mill & Fill 2"	1987 ft.
N FOREST LN	1201 <b>SY</b>	Mill & Fill 2"	419 ft.
N FOUNTAIN AVE	1265 <b>SY</b>	Overlay 2"	703 ft.
S FOUNTAIN AVE	840 <b>SY</b>	Overlay 2"	521 ft.
N MAPLE AVE	800 <b>SY</b>	Overlay 2"	451 ft.

# Total 46326 SY

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### BUILDS Lot Paving

2"

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#### Type | Square Yds

2" 7323.7 sqYd

1210.19 sqYd



0 40 80 160 Feet



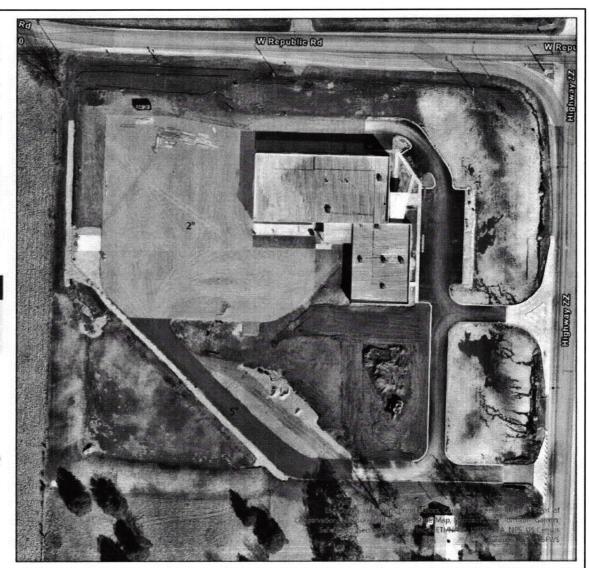
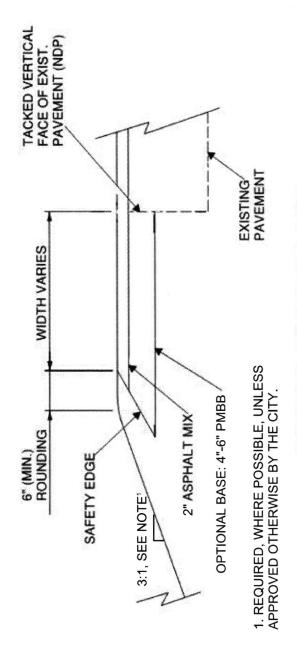


Exhibit 2 - BUILDS Lot Paving



HOT MIX ASPHALT (HMA)
ROAD WIDENING & EDGE TREATMENT
EXHIBIT 3

#### SCHEDULE:

Prebid Meeting Will be held at 4221 S Wilson's Creek Blvd (Builds Large Conference Room), Republic MO 65738, on **Friday**, **March 15**<sup>th</sup>, **2024**, at 11:30am for any contractors who would like to attend.

City intends to take the winning bid to City Council for Approval April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024, for approval, with Notice to Proceed to follow no later than April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Completion of City Overlays and related Striping shall be July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Liquidated Damages will apply if work is not completed, or streets are not open to traffic on or before August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**Inquiries**: All inquiries for information should be directed to:

Brian Dye, Project Manager BUILDS Department, City of Republic bdye@republicmo.com (417) 732-3408

#### Important Notice Regarding Competitive Bidding:

It is the City's intent and desire that this Invitation for Bid promotes competitive Bidding. To the extent any language, requirements, terms and/or requests contained within this Invitation for Bid result in the elimination of all but one source from which a responsive and responsible Bid may be submitted, such restriction/limitation is not intended by the City but is merely an unintentional error. In the event such error is discovered by any potential Bidder, the potential Bidder must notify the City contact listed above of the error, in writing, no later than three (3) days prior to the Bid opening day. Upon receipt of any such notice, the City will take reasonable efforts to correct the error and resubmit the Invitation for Bid once corrected.

#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

- Opening Location: Bids submitted in response to this Invitation for Bid ("IFB") will be opened at Republic City Hall, located at 213 N. Main Avenue, on 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 21, 2024. All Bidders (individually, "Bidders"; collectively, "Bidders") and/or their authorized representative(s) are permitted to attend the opening of the Bids.
- O2. **IFB Delivery Requirements:** Any Bids received after the above stated time and date will not be considered. It shall be the sole responsibility of the Bidder to have their Bid delivered to Republic City Hall for receipt on or before the due date and time indicated.
  - a. If a Bid is sent by U.S. Mail, the Bidder shall be responsible for its timely delivery to Republic City Hall.
  - b. Bids delayed by mail shall not be considered, shall not be opened, and shall be rejected.
  - c. Arrangements may be made for their return at the Bidder's request and expense.
  - d. Bids may be mailed to Republic City Hall and accepted if the signed Bid form and requiredinformation was mailed and received prior to the due date and time.
  - e. Bids sent by email will not be accepted.

**Sealed and Marked:** If sent by mail, one original signed Bid shall be submitted in one sealed package, clearly marked on the outside of the package with the **IFB project name clearly indicated on the outside of the mailing envelope and addressed to:** 

City of Republic C/O City Clerk, Laura Burbridge 213 N. Main Republic MO 65738

- O3. **Legal Name and Signature:** Bids shall clearly indicate the legal name, address, and telephone number of the Bidder (company, firm, corporation, partnership, or individual).
  - a. Bids shall be manually signed above the printed name and title of signer on the Affidavit of Compliance page.
  - b. The signer shall have the authority to bind the Bidder to the submitted Bid.
  - c. Failure to properly sign the Bid form shall invalidate the Bid, and it shall not be considered for award.
- 04. **Corrections:** No erasures are permitted.
  - a. In the event a correction is necessary, in order for the City to consider the correction, the following formatting must be applied:
    - 1. A single line (strike-through) to the entered text needing correction, and
    - 2. The corrected text written above the strike-through text, and
    - 3. The signer(s) of the Bid must initial all corrections.
- O5. Clarification and Addenda: Bidders are expected to examine all documents attached to and/or provided by the City with this IFB, and prior to submitting any Bid in response to this IFB, make any necessary and/or reasonable inquiries of the City to ensure all such Bidders understand the entirety of the documents.
  - a. Any inquiries or suggestions concerning interpretation, clarification, or other additional information pertaining to the IFB shall be made through the listed City contact in writing (email is permitted).
  - b. The City of Republic shall not be responsible for verbal interpretations or other information given by any individual purporting to be employed by or otherwise representing the City.
  - c. The issuance of written addenda is the official method whereby interpretation, clarification, or additional information can be given.
  - d. It shall be the responsibility of each Bidder, prior to submitting their Bid, to direct any inquiries to the listed City contact.
- 06. IFB Expenses: There is no expressed or implied obligation for the City of Republic to reimburse responding

Bidders and the City will not reimburse for any expenses incurred in preparing responses to this IFB.

- 07. **Bid Security:** All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security, which shall constitute the Bidder's guarantee that, if awarded the contract under this IFB, the Bidder will promptly execute all contract documents and other documents required under this IFB, and will furnish good and sufficient bond for the performance of the same.
  - a. The Bid Security shall consist of a certified check, cashier's check or a Bid bond, guaranteed by a surety company authorized by the Director of the Missouri Department of Insurance and Commerce to conduct surety business in the state of Missouri, in an amount no less than ten percent (10%) of the Bid, and made payable to the City of Republic.
  - b. Bids submitted without the required Bid Security will not be considered for award under this IFB.
  - c. The Bid Securities of all Bidders, except for the three apparent lowest Bidders, will be returned as soon as reasonably possible after the opening and review of Bids.
  - d. The City shall have the right to retain the Bid Security of the three apparent lowest Bidders until either: (1) all contract documents have been duly executed and all required bonds and proof of insurance, including certificates of insurance, have been furnished by the Bidder to the City; or (2) all Bids have been rejected, whichever occurs first.
- O8. **Irrevocable Offer:** Any Bid may be withdrawn up until the due date and time set for opening of the IFB. Any Bid not so withdrawn shall, upon opening, constitute an irrevocable offer for a minimum period of ninety (90) days to provide to the City the goods or services set forth in the IFB, until one or more of the Bids have been duly accepted by the City.
- O9. **Responsive and Responsible Bidder:** To be a responsive Bidder, a Bidder shall submit a Bid which conforms in all material respects to the requirements set forth in the IFB. To be a responsible Bidder, the Bidder shall have the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, and the tenacity, perseverance, experience, integrity, reliability, capacity, facilities, equipment and credit which will ensure good faith performance. The lowest responsible Bidder shall mean the Bidder who makes the lowest Bid to sell goods or services of a quality which conforms closest to the quality of goods or services set forth in the specifications or otherwise required by the City and who is known to be fit and capable to perform the Bid as made.
- 10. Reserved Rights: The City reserves the right to make such investigations as it deems necessary to make the determination of the Bidder's responsiveness and responsibility. Such information may include but shall not be limited to current financial statements, verification of availability of equipment and personnel, and past performance records.
- 11. **The Right to Audit:** The Bidder agrees to furnish supporting detail as may be required by the City to support charges or invoices, to make available for audit purposes all records covering charges pertinent to the purchase, and to make appropriate adjustments in the event discrepancies are found.
  - a. The City shall have the right to audit the Bidder's records pertaining to the work/product for a period of three (3) years after final payment.
  - b. The cost of any audit conducted pursuant to this term will be paid by the City.
- 12. **Applicable Law:** All applicable laws and regulations of the State of Missouri and the City including the City Procurement Regulations and Procedures will apply to any resulting agreement, contract, or purchase order entered into under the terms of this IFB. Any involvement with the City Procurement shall be in accordance with the Procurement Regulations and Procedures.
- 13. **Right to Protest:** Appeals and remedies are provided for in the City Procurement Regulations.
  - a. Protestors shall seek resolution of their complaints initially with the City Purchasing Agent.

- b. Any protest shall state the basis upon which the solicitation or award is contested and shall be submitted within ten (10) calendar days after such aggrieved person knew or could have reasonably been expected to know of the facts giving rise thereto.
- 14. **Ethical Standards Applicable**: With respect to this IFB, if any Bidder violates or is a party to a violation of the general ethical standards of the City Procurement Code or the State of Missouri Statues, such Bidder will be disqualified from furnishing the goods or services for which the Bid is submitted and shall be further disqualified from submitting any future Bids.
- 15. **Collusion Absolutely Prohibited**: All Bidders offering a submission in response to this IFB hereby expressly acknowledge and certify that they have not divulged, discussed, or compared their Bid to the Bids of any other Bidder(s), and further that they have not colluded or conspired with any other Bidder or parties to this IFB, to violate the terms and conditions governing submission of responses to this IFB whatsoever. All Bidders offering a submission in response to this IFB additionally promise that:
  - a. Any prices and/or cost data submitted have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices and/or cost data, with any other Bidder or with any competitor.
  - b. Any prices and/or cost data submitted have not knowingly been disclosed by the Bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the Bidder prior to the scheduled opening directly or indirectly to any other Bidder or to any competitor.
  - c. No attempt has been made or will be made by the Bidder to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit a Bid for the purpose of restricting competition.
  - d. The only person or persons interested in this Bid, principal or principals are named therein and that no person other than therein mentioned has any interest in this Bid or in any contract awarded under this IFB. No person or agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure the contract awarded under this IFB upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee exempting bona fide employees or established commercial agencies maintained by the Purchaserfor the purpose of doing business.
- 16. Contract Forms: Any agreement, contract, or purchase order resulting from the acceptance of a Bid shall be on forms either supplied by or approved by the City.

#### 17. Liability and Indemnity:

- a. In no event shall the City be liable to the successful Bidder for special, indirect, liquidated, incidental, or consequential damages, except those caused by the City's gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct arising out of or in any way connected with a breach of any agreement or contract under the terms of this IFB. The maximum liability of the City shall be limited to the amount of money to be paid or received by the City under any agreement or contract awarded under the terms of this IFB.
- b. The successful Bidder shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the City, its elected or appointed officials, agents and employees from and against any and all liability, suits, damages, costs (including attorney fees), losses, outlays, expenses, and claims, caused or allegedly caused by, or arising out of or related in any way whatsoever to (1) any agreement or contract awarded under this IFB, or (2) the work performed pursuant to such contract or agreement or any subcontract thereunder (the successful Bidder expressly acknowledging and assuming full responsibility for its subcontractors), including, but not limited to, claims for personal injuries, death, property damage, or for any other alleged damages.
- c. The successful Bidder shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from all wages or overtime compensation due any employees in rendering services pursuant to this agreement or any subcontract, including payment of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs in the defense of any claim made under the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Missouri Prevailing Wage Law or any other federal or state law.
- 18. **IFB Forms, Variances, and Alternates:** Bids must be submitted on the forms attached to this IFB as provided by the City; however, additional information may be attached. Bidders must indicate any variances from the City requested specifications and/or terms and conditions, on the IFB Affidavit of Compliance. Otherwise, Bidders must

fully comply with the City requested specifications and terms and conditions. Alternate Bids may or may not be considered at the sole discretion of the City Purchasing Agent.

- 19. **Bid Form:** All blank spaces must be completed with the appropriate response.
  - a. Bidders must state the price, written in ink, for what is proposed to complete each item of the project.
  - b. Bidders must insert the words "no Bid" in the space provided for any item for which no Bid is made.
  - c. Bidders must submit an executed Bid form, affidavit of compliance with other requested documents.
- 20. **Modifications or Withdrawal of Bid:** A modification of a Bid already submitted will be considered only if the modification is received prior to the time announced for opening of Bids, and is made in writing; executed and submitted on the same form and manner as the original Bid. Modifications submitted by telephone, fax, or email will not be considered.
- No Bid: If not submitting a Bid, respond by returning the "Statement of No Bid" no later than the statedBid opening time and date, and explain the reason in the space provided.
- 22. **Errors in Bids:** Bidders are expected to fully inform themselves as to the conditions, requirements, and specifications before submitting Bids; failure to do so will be at the Bidder's own risk. Applicable law and regulations do not make allowance for errors either of omission or inclusion on the part of Bidders. In case an error regarding extension of prices in the Bid, the unit price shallgovern.
- 23. **Prices:** Bids must include both unit price and extended total.
  - a. Price must be stated in units of quantity specified in the Bidding specifications. In case of discrepancy in computing the amount of the Bid, the unit price of the Bid will govern.
  - b. All prices shall be F.O.B. destination, freight prepaid (unless otherwise stated in special conditions). FOB, as used in this IFB, shall mean that the successful Bidder, at their own expense, shall transport the equipment and/or materials and bear the risk of loss from successful Bidder's location to a specified location in the City of Republic. City shall not take title to the materials or equipment until it is delivered and accepted by City at the address specified within the City of Republic.
  - c. Each item must be Bid separately, and no attempt is to be made to tie any item or items in with any other item or items.
  - d. If a Bidder offers a discount on payment terms, the discount time will be computed from the date of satisfactory delivery at place of acceptance and receipt of correct invoice at the office specified.
  - e. Payment terms shall be Net 30 if not otherwise specified.
  - f. Pre-payment terms are not acceptable.
- 24. **Discounts:** Any and all discounts, except cash discounts for prompt payments, must be incorporated as a reduction in the Bid price and not shown separately. The price as shown on the Bid shall be the price used in the City's determination of award(s).
- 25. **Descriptive Information**: All equipment, materials, and articles incorporated in the product/work coveredby this IFB are to be new and of suitable grade for the purpose intended.
  - a. Brand or trade names referenced in specifications are for comparison purposes only.
  - b. Bidders may submit Bids on items manufactured by an individual/entity other than the manufacturer specified so long as an "or equal" is expressly stated.
- 26. **Deviations to Specifications and Requirements**: When Bidding on an "or equal," Bids must be accompanied with all descriptive information necessary for an evaluation of the proposed material orequipment such as the detailed drawings and specifications, certified operation and test data, and experience records.
  - a. Failure of any Bidder to furnish the data necessary to determine whether the product is equivalent, may be cause for rejection of the specific item(s) to which it pertains.
  - b. All deviations from the specifications must be noted in detail by the Bidder on the Affidavit of Compliance form, at the time of submittal of Bid.

- c. The absence of listed deviations at the time of submittal of the Bid will hold the Bidder strictly accountable to the specifications as written.
- d. Any deviation from the specifications as written and accepted by the City may be grounds for rejection of the material and/or equipment when delivered.
- Quality Guaranty: If any product delivered does not meet applicable specifications or otherwise fails to compare with the quality represented by the Bidder, the Bidder shall retrieve the product from the City as its own expense. The Bidder shall refund to the City any money the City has remitted to the Bidder for same. In the event the successful Bidder fails or refuses to retrieve the product and refund to the City any money previously remitted to the Bidder for such product in accord with the terms of this paragraph, the Bidder shall be responsible for the City's attorney fees and other costs it incurs in enforcing its rights under this paragraph.
- 28. **Quality Terms**: The City reserves the right to reject any or all materials if, in its judgment, the item reflects unsatisfactory workmanship, manufacturing, or shipping damages.
- 29. **Tax-Exempt**: The City is exempt from sales taxes and Federal Excise Taxes: Missouri Tax ID Number 12492990.
- 30. **Bid Awards**: Awards will be made to the Bidder whose Bid (1) meets the specifications and all other requirements of the IFB and (2) is the lowest and best Bid, considering price, delivery, responsibility of the Bidder, and all other relevant factors.
  - a. Unless otherwise stated in the IFB, cash discounts for prompt payment of invoices will not be considered in the evaluation of prices. However, such discounts are encouraged to motivate prompt payment.
  - b. As the best interest of the City may require, the right is reserved to make awards by item, group(s) of items, all or none or a combination thereof; and to reject any and all Bids or waive any minor or non-material irregularity or technicality in Bids received.
- **Authorized Product Representation:** The successful Bidder(s) by virtue of submitting the name and specifications of a manufacturer's product will be required to furnish the named manufacturer's product. By virtue of submission of the stated documents, it will be presumed by the City that the Bidder(s) is legally authorized to submit and the successful Bidder(s) will be legally bound to perform according to the documents.
- **Regulations:** It shall be the responsibility of each Bidder to assure compliance with OSHA, EPA, Federal, State of Missouri, and City rules, regulations, or other requirements, as each may apply.
  - a. E-VERIFY COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: All contractors or subcontractors to be utilized by Bidder on contracts exceeding five thousand dollars shall, by sworn affidavit and provision of documentation, affirm its enrollment and participation in a federal work authorization program with respect to the employees working in connection with the contracted services and affirm that it does not knowingly employ any person who is an unauthorized alien in connection with the contracted services.
  - b. Bidders are herein informed that the work to be performed under this IFB is subject to the requirements of Section 292.675, RSMo., which requires all contractors or subcontractors perform work such to provide and require its on-site employees to complete a ten (10)hour course in construction safety and health approved by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration ("OSHA") or a similar program approved by the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations which is at least as stringent as an approved OSHA program. The training must be completed within sixty (60) days of the date work on the Project commences. On-siteemployees found on the worksite without documentation of the required training shall have twenty (20) days to produce such documentation.
  - c. Pursuant to Section 292.675 RSMo., the successful Bidder shall forfeit to the City as a penalty two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), plus one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each onsite employee employed by it, or any contractors or subcontractors hired by it, for each calendar day, or portion thereof, such on-site employee is employed without the construction safety

- training required in the above paragraph.
- d. Section 208.009 RSMo. shall apply to any contracts awarded under this Bid.
- **Termination of Award:** Any failure of the Bidder to satisfy the requirements of the City shall be reason for termination of the award. Any Bid may be rejected in whole or in part for any reason by the City.
- 34. **Royalties and Patents:** The successful Bidder(s) shall pay all royalties and license fees for equipment or processes in conjunction with the equipment being furnished. Bidder shall defend all suits or claims for infringement of any patent right and shall hold the City harmless from loss on account or cost and attorney's fees incurred.
- 35. **Equal Employment Opportunity Clause:** The City of Republic, in accordance with the provision of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252) and the Regulations of the Department of Commerce (15 CFR,Part 8) issued pursuant to the aforementioned Civil Rights Act, hereby notifies all Bidders that the City takes all reasonably necessary steps to affirmatively ensure that all Bidders, including minority businesses, will be afforded full opportunity to submit Bids in response to this IFB and that no Bidder will be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in determining the successful Bidder for award.
- Insurance Requirements: For the duration of any contract awarded under this IFB, (which, for projects including any labor, means until the work is completed and accepted by the City; and which, for projects involving supply of materials only, means until the materials are delivered and accepted by the City), the successful Bidder is required to maintain certain insurance to protect it and the City against risks of loss in connection with the Project, as defined more fully below. The Successful Bidder will be required to provide the City with proof of insurance that satisfies the requirements stated below, unless otherwise specified by the City. The insurance requirements below may be modified or waived by the City at the City's sole discretion.
  - a. Workers' Compensation: The Successful Bidder shall maintain Employers Liability and Workers Compensation Insurance for all persons it will employ or retain to perform any work in connection with a contract awarded under this IFB, and in the event the Successful Bidder will sublet or subcontract any such work, the Successful Bidder shall require the subcontractor to provide similar Workers Compensation Insurance for the subcontractor's employees, unless such employees are covered by the Successful Bidder's coverage. Workers Compensation coverage shall meet the minimum requirements under Missouri law of \$500,000 each employee and \$500,000 each accident.
  - b. Commercial General Liability: The Successful Bidder shall maintain Commercial General Liability coverage for personal and advertising injury, bodily injury including accidental death, and broad-form property damage, which may arise from the performance of any contract awarded under this IFB, in an aggregate amount of not less than \$2,000,000 each occurrence and \$1,000,000 each person.
  - c. Commercial Automobile Liability (applies only to projects involving the Successful Bidder's operation of vehicles in performing the work awarded under this IFB): The Successful Bidder shall maintain Commercial Automobile Liability coverage of not less than \$2,000,000 each occurrence and \$1,000,000 each person for "any auto" on an occurrence basis.
  - 37. Performance Bond and Labor & Materials Payment Bond (applies only to projects involving labor):

    Pursuant to Section 107.170, RSMo., if the total cost of the project is estimated to exceed \$50,000.00, the successful Bidder shall execute a Performance and Maintenance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond with surety, approved by the City and on forms approved by the City, each bond shall be in the amount of the total project cost, conditioned upon the full and faithful performance of all major terms and conditions of the IFB and payment of all labor and material supplies.

- 38. Liquidated Damages: Time of completion of the Project by the Successful Bidder is of the essence. Should the Successful Bidder fail to complete the Project within the time specified in the governing contract/schedule, without express authorization by the City allowing for an extension of time to completion, the Successful Bidder shall be liable to the City in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$500.00) per day for each and every calendar day the Project remains uncompleted, as liquidated damages, and not as a penalty, it being stipulated and agreed that the actual damages to the City arising from the Successful Bidder's failure to timely complete the Project would be difficult, if not impossible, to reasonably ascertain. Assessment of liquidated damages will not relieve the Successful Bidder, or its surety/ies, of any responsibility or obligation under the Contract.
- 39. **Nonresident/Foreign Contractors:** To the extent the successful Bidder utilizes non-resident/foreign contractors to provide services or supplies in connection with this IFB, the successful Bidder shall procure and maintain:
  - a. A certificate of authority to transact business in the State of Missouri from the Secretary of State, unless exempt pursuant to the provisions of Section 351.570, RSMo.
  - b. A certificate from the Missouri Director of Revenue evidencing compliance with the transient employer financial assurance law, unless exempt pursuant to the provisions of Section 285.230, RSMo.
- 40. Bid Tabulation: Bidders may request a copy of the Bid tabulation of the IFB.
- 41. **Budgetary Constraints:** The City reserves the right to reduce or increase the quantity, retract any item from the Bid, or upon notification, terminate entire agreement without any obligations or penalty basedupon availability of funds.
- 42. Additional Purchases by Other Public Agencies: By submitting a Bid in response to this IFB, the Bidder authorizes other publicagencies to "Piggy-Back" or purchase equipment and services being proposed in this IFB unless otherwise noted on the Affidavit of Compliance Form.
- 43. **Order of Precedence:** Any and all Special/General Conditions and Specifications attached hereto, which varies from the instruction to Bidders, shall take precedence.
- 44. **Affidavit for Service Contracts:** The successful Bidder represents, in accordance with Section 285.530.2, RSMo., that it has not employed, or subcontracted with, unauthorized aliens in connection with the scope of work to be done under this IFB and agrees to provide an affidavit to the City of Republic affirming that it has not, and will not at any point in time relating to this IFB, knowingly employ, or subcontract with, any person who is an unauthorized alien.
- 45. **Inspection and Acceptance:** No item(s) received by the City pursuant to any agreement or contract awarded under this IFB shall be deemed accepted by the City until the City has had reasonable opportunity to inspect the item(s).
  - a. Any item(s) which are discovered to be defective, or which do not conform to any warranty of the successful Bidder and/or entity/individual who sold the item(s), upon inspection, may be returned by the City to the successful Bidder and/or entity/individual who sold the item(s) for full credit and reimbursement or replacement.
  - b. If, at a later time, any defect is discovered which was not ascertainable upon the initial inspection, the City may also return the defective item(s) to the successful Bidder and/or entity/individual who sold the item(s) for full credit and reimbursement or replacement.
  - c. The City's return of defective items shall not exclude any other legal, equitable or contractual remedies the City has under applicable Missouri or Republic law and/or any agreement or contract awarded under this IFB.
- 46. **Davis-Bacon Act:** If the Instructions to Bidders have indicated that the Project is financed, in whole or in part, from Federal funds, then all work performed pursuant to any contract awarded under this IFB shall be subject to all applicable federal statutes, rules and regulations, including provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C.

- §3141 et seq., and the "Federal Labor Standards Provisions," incorporated into this any agreement or contract awarded under this IFB. Where the Missouri Prevailing Wage Law and the Davis-Bacon Act require payment of different wages for work performed pursuant to any contract awarded under this IFB, all contractors, subcontractors and other individuals/entities hired by the successful Bidder to perform work under this IFB shall pay the greater of the wages required under either law.
- 47. Jurisdiction and Venue: This IFB and any executed agreement required pursuant to the terms of this IFB, shall be taken and deemed to have been fully executed and made by the parties herein and governed by the laws of the State of Missouri for all purposes and intents. Venue under this Agreement or any disputes that come from it shall be in the Circuit Court of Greene County, Missouri. THE PARTIES HEREBY WAIVE THEIR RIGHT TO A JURY TRIAL UNDER ANY APPLICABLE STATUTE, COMMON LAW OR FEDERAL OR STATE CONSTITUTION.
- 48. **Conflict of Interest:** By participating in this IFB and/or accepting an agreement pursuant to the IFB's terms, the successful Bidder certifies that no salaried officer or employee of the City, and no member of the City Council or Mayor of the City of Republic, has a financial interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement. Any federal regulations and applicable provisions in Section 105.450 et seq., RSMo. shall not be violated.
- 49. **Sovereign Immunity:** In no event shall any language or requirement in this IFB or any Agreement that comes from this IFB be construed as or constitute a waiver or limitation of City's defenses with regard tosovereign immunity, governmental immunity, or official immunity under federal or state constitutions, states, and/or laws.
- 50. Terms: The City of Republic reserves the right to reject any and all proposals received from this Bid. It further has the right to negotiate with any qualified source, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this Bid. The City also reserves the right to modify, suspend, or terminate at its sole discretion any and all aspects of this bud process, to obtain further information from any and all respondents, and to waive any defectsas to form or content of the Bid or any submissions by any firm. This bud does not commit the City to award a contract, to defray any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this request, or to procure or contract for services. All submissions become the property of the City as public record. All submissions may be subject to public review upon request.

#### ATTACHMENT A - BID SUBMISSION FORM

#### BIDDERS MUST PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Description of Work		Price	
2024 City Overlays & Builds Lot Paving	2024 City Overlays: \$	487,499.40	<del>-</del>
<ul> <li>Bid Alternate Price individually, do not add all prices together.</li> <li>All Bids to include:         <ul> <li>Travel Expenses</li> <li>Delivery Costs</li> <li>Administrative costs</li> <li>Traffic Control</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Line Item  Milling Asphalt Overlay  Striping Edge Treatment 2' Widening	\$2.20 \$75.50 \$1.30 \$47.25 \$6.50	Unit SY Ton LF CY LF
Please note any of the following:  Any labor personnel requests of the City of Republic for this project.  Any other requests or responsibilities of the City of Republic for this project.	BUILDS Lot Paving: \$ Line Item Fine Grading	94,964.12 <b>Unit Price</b> \$1.50	- Unit

In compliance with this Invitation for Bid and to all terms, conditions, and specifications imposed therein and hereby incorporated byreference, the undersigned offers and agrees to furnish the goods and/or services described herein.

City of Republic, Missouri	Company Legal Name: Blevins Asphalt Construction Co., Inc,
IFB for: 2024 City Overlays & Builds Lot Paving Republic, MO 65738	Address: PO Box 230 Mt. Vernon, Mo. 65712
	Name and Title: Scott Crabtree VP
Telephone: 417-466-3758  Cellular: 417-461-4559	Dated: 3/21/24  Bidder's Federal ID Number: 43-0964288
Email: scrabtree@blevinsasphalt.com	

## NOTICE AND INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS/VENDORS Regarding Sections 285.525 through 285.550 RSMo., effective January 1, 2009, and Section 292.675 RSMo., effective August 28, 2009

Effective January 1, 2009 and pursuant to Section 285.530(1) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, "[n]o business entity or employer shall knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien to perform work within the state of Missouri."

State law additionally provides that, as a condition for the award of any contract or grant in excess of five thousand dollars by the state or by any political subdivision of the state (e.g., the City of Republic) to a business entity (e.g., potential bidders in response to this IFB), the business entity (Company) shall, by sworn affidavit and provision of documentation, affirm its enrollment and participation in a federal work authorization program with respect to the employees working in connection with the contracted services. Every such business entity shall sign an affidavit affirming that it does not knowingly employ any person who is an unauthorized alien in connection with the contracted services. See § 285.530(2), RSMo.

Section 285.530 RSMo. pertains to all solicitations for services over \$5,000, but does not apply to solicitations for goods only. If a solicitation is for a combination of services and goods, Section 285.530 RSMo. applies if the services portion of the solicitation is over \$5,000.

- Required Affidavit for Contracts Over \$5,000.00 (US) Effective 1-1-2009, the company (submitting a
  Bid) shall comply with the provisions of Section 285.525 through 285.550, RSMo., which require certain
  statements to be made under penalty of perjury pertaining to employment of unauthorized aliens. The award
  of any contract under this IFB is expressly contingent on the company (submitting a Bid) providing an
  acceptable, notarized affidavit, stating as follows:
  - a. that said company is enrolled in and participates in a federal work authorization program with respect to the employees working in connection with the contracted services; and
  - b. that said company does not knowingly employ any person who is an unauthorized alien in connection with the contracted services.

The terms used in this affidavit shall have the meaning set forth in Section 285.500 RSMo., et seq.

2. Additionally, Company <u>must provide documentation evidencing</u> current enrollment in a federal work authorization program (e.g. electronic signature page from E-Verify Program's Memo of Understanding (MOU). See attached sample.

A copy of the required affidavit is included on the following page. A digital copy of the affidavit can also be accessed and downloaded from the City of Republic's official website, URL address: <a href="https://www.republicmo.com/DocumentCenter/View/77/Affidavit-of-Compliance-with-Section-285500-RSMO-PDF?bidId="https://www.republicmo.com/DocumentCenter/View/77/Affidavit-of-Compliance-with-Section-285500-RSMO-PDF?bidId="https://www.republicmo.com/DocumentCenter/View/77/Affidavit-of-Compliance-with-Section-285500-RSMO-PDF?bidId="https://www.republicmo.com/DocumentCenter/View/77/Affidavit-of-Compliance-with-Section-285500-RSMO-PDF?bidId="https://www.republicmo.com/DocumentCenter/View/77/Affidavit-of-Compliance-with-Section-285500-RSMO-PDF?bidId="https://www.republicmo.com/DocumentCenter/View/77/Affidavit-of-Compliance-with-Section-285500-RSMO-PDF?bidId="https://www.republicmo.com/DocumentCenter/View/77/Affidavit-of-Compliance-with-Section-285500-RSMO-PDF?bidId="https://www.republicmo.com/DocumentCenter/View/77/Affidavit-of-Compliance-with-Section-285500-RSMO-PDF?bidId="https://www.republicmo.com/DocumentCenter/View/77/Affidavit-of-Compliance-with-Section-285500-RSMO-PDF?bidId="https://www.republicmo.com/DocumentCenter/View/77/Affidavit-of-Compliance-with-Section-285500-RSMO-PDF?bidId="https://www.republicmo.com/DocumentCenter/View/77/Affidavit-of-Center/

The City of Republic is an E-Verify employer. The City of Republic encourages companies that are not already enrolled and participating in a federal work authorization program to do so. E-Verify is an example of a federal work authorization program. Information regarding E-Verify is available at <a href="http://www.uscis.gov/e-verify">http://www.uscis.gov/e-verify</a> or by calling 888-464-4218.

### Affidavit of Compliance with Section 285.500, RSMo., et seq. for all agreements providing services in excess of \$5,000.00

#### Effective 1/1/2009

STATE OF MISSOURI	)
COUNTY OF GREENE	) ss. )
(Title) of	me, the undersigned Notary Public, in and for the County of (Name) who is (Name) who is (Name of company), a (circle one) corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, and is competent and authorized to make this affidavit, and being duly sworn upon oath deposes and says as follows:
(1) (2)	that said company is enrolled in and participates in a federal work authorization program with respect to the employees working in connection with the contracted services; and that said company does not knowingly employ any person who is an unauthorized alien in connection with the contracted services.
The terms used in this a	affidavit shall have the meaning set forth in Section 285.500 RSMo., et seq.
Documentation of part	ticipation in a federal work authorization program is attached to this affidavit.
	Signature
	Scott Crahtree Printed Name
Subscribed and sworn to	o before me this 21 day of March , 2024 .
	Melinda Willeford Notary Public
My commission expires:	MELINDA WILLIFORD Notary Public, Notary Seal State of Missouri Greene County Commission # 13735152 My Commission Expires 01-21-2025





# THE E-VERIFY MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR EMPLOYERS

### ARTICLE I PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY

The parties to this agreement are the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Blevins Asphalt Construction Company, Inc. (Employer). The purpose of this agreement is to set forth terms and conditions which the Employer will follow while participating in E-Verify.

E-Verify is a program that electronically confirms an employee's eligibility to work in the United States after completion of Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification (Form I-9). This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) explains certain features of the E-Verify program and describes specific responsibilities of the Employer, the Social Security Administration (SSA), and DHS.

Authority for the E-Verify program is found in Title IV, Subtitle A, of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (IIRIRA), Pub. L. 104-208, 110 Stat. 3009, as amended (8 U.S.C. § 1324a note). The Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 22.18, "Employment Eligibility Verification" and Executive Order 12989, as amended, provide authority for Federal contractors and subcontractors (Federal contractor) to use E-Verify to verify the employment eligibility of certain employees working on Federal contracts.

### ARTICLE II RESPONSIBILITIES

#### A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EMPLOYER

- 1. The Employer agrees to display the following notices supplied by DHS in a prominent place that is clearly visible to prospective employees and all employees who are to be verified through the system:
  - a. Notice of E-Verify Participation
  - b. Notice of Right to Work
- 2. The Employer agrees to provide to the SSA and DHS the names, titles, addresses, and telephone numbers of the Employer representatives to be contacted about E-Verify. The Employer also agrees to keep such information current by providing updated information to SSA and DHS whenever the representatives' contact information changes.
- 3. The Employer agrees to grant E-Verify access only to current employees who need E-Verify access. Employers must promptly terminate an employee's E-Verify access if the employer is separated from the company or no longer needs access to E-Verify.





- 4. The Employer agrees to become familiar with and comply with the most recent version of the E-Verify User Manual.
- 5. The Employer agrees that any Employer Representative who will create E-Verify cases will complete the E-Verify Tutorial before that individual creates any cases.
  - a. The Employer agrees that all Employer representatives will take the refresher tutorials when prompted by E-Verify in order to continue using E-Verify. Failure to complete a refresher tutorial will prevent the Employer Representative from continued use of E-Verify.
- 6. The Employer agrees to comply with current Form I-9 procedures, with two exceptions:
  - a. If an employee presents a "List B" identity document, the Employer agrees to only accept "List B" documents that contain a photo. (List B documents identified in 8 C.F.R. § 274a.2(b)(1)(B)) can be presented during the Form I-9 process to establish identity.) If an employee objects to the photo requirement for religious reasons, the Employer should contact E-Verify at 888-464-4218.
  - b. If an employee presents a DHS Form I-551 (Permanent Resident Card), Form I-766 (Employment Authorization Document), or U.S. Passport or Passport Card to complete Form I-9, the Employer agrees to make a photocopy of the document and to retain the photocopy with the employee's Form I-9. The Employer will use the photocopy to verify the photo and to assist DHS with its review of photo mismatches that employees contest. DHS may in the future designate other documents that activate the photo screening tool.

**Note**: Subject only to the exceptions noted previously in this paragraph, employees still retain the right to present any List A, or List B and List C, document(s) to complete the Form I-9.

- 7. The Employer agrees to record the case verification number on the employee's Form I-9 or to print the screen containing the case verification number and attach it to the employee's Form I-9.
- 8. The Employer agrees that, although it participates in E-Verify, the Employer has a responsibility to complete, retain, and make available for inspection Forms I-9 that relate to its employees, or from other requirements of applicable regulations or laws, including the obligation to comply with the anti-discrimination requirements of section 274B of the INA with respect to Form I-9 procedures.
  - a. The following modified requirements are the only exceptions to an Employer's obligation to not employ unauthorized workers and comply with the anti-discrimination provision of the INA: (1) List B identity documents must have photos, as described in paragraph 6 above; (2) When an Employer confirms the identity and employment eligibility of newly hired employee using E-Verify procedures, the Employer establishes a rebuttable presumption that it has not violated section 274A(a)(1)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) with respect to the hiring of that employee; (3) If the Employer receives a final nonconfirmation for an employee, but continues to employ that person, the Employer must notify DHS and the Employer is subject to a civil money penalty between \$550 and \$1,100 for each failure to notify DHS of continued employment following a final nonconfirmation; (4) If the Employer continues to employ an employee after receiving a final nonconfirmation, then the Employer is subject to a rebuttable presumption that it has knowingly





employed an unauthorized alien in violation of section 274A(a)(1)(A); and (5) no E-Verify participant is civilly or criminally liable under any law for any action taken in good faith based on information provided through the E-Verify.

- b. DHS reserves the right to conduct Form I-9 compliance inspections, as well as any other enforcement or compliance activity authorized by law, including site visits, to ensure proper use of E-Verify.
- 9. The Employer is strictly prohibited from creating an E-Verify case before the employee has been hired, meaning that a firm offer of employment was extended and accepted and Form I-9 was completed. The Employer agrees to create an E-Verify case for new employees within three Employer business days after each employee has been hired (after both Sections 1 and 2 of Form I-9 have been completed), and to complete as many steps of the E-Verify process as are necessary according to the E-Verify User Manual. If E-Verify is temporarily unavailable, the three-day time period will be extended until it is again operational in order to accommodate the Employer's attempting, in good faith, to make inquiries during the period of unavailability.
- 10. The Employer agrees not to use E-Verify for pre-employment screening of job applicants, in support of any unlawful employment practice, or for any other use that this MOU or the E-Verify User Manual does not authorize.
- 11. The Employer must use E-Verify for all new employees. The Employer will not verify selectively and will not verify employees hired before the effective date of this MOU. Employers who are Federal contractors may qualify for exceptions to this requirement as described in Article II.B of this MOU.
- 12. The Employer agrees to follow appropriate procedures (see Article III below) regarding tentative nonconfirmations. The Employer must promptly notify employees in private of the finding and provide them with the notice and letter containing information specific to the employee's E-Verify case. The Employer agrees to provide both the English and the translated notice and letter for employees with limited English proficiency to employees. The Employer agrees to provide written referral instructions to employees and instruct affected employees to bring the English copy of the letter to the SSA. The Employer must allow employees to contest the finding, and not take adverse action against employees if they choose to contest the finding, while their case is still pending. Further, when employees contest a tentative nonconfirmation based upon a photo mismatch, the Employer must take additional steps (see Article III.B. below) to contact DHS with information necessary to resolve the challenge.
- 13. The Employer agrees not to take any adverse action against an employee based upon the employee's perceived employment eligibility status while SSA or DHS is processing the verification request unless the Employer obtains knowledge (as defined in 8 C.F.R. § 274a.1(l)) that the employee is not work authorized. The Employer understands that an initial inability of the SSA or DHS automated verification system to verify work authorization, a tentative nonconfirmation, a case in continuance (indicating the need for additional time for the government to resolve a case), or the finding of a photo mismatch, does not establish, and should not be interpreted as, evidence that the employee is not work authorized. In any of such cases, the employee must be provided a full and fair opportunity to contest the finding, and if he or she does so, the employee may not be terminated or suffer any adverse employment consequences based upon the employee's perceived employment eligibility status





(including denying, reducing, or extending work hours, delaying or preventing training, requiring an employee to work in poorer conditions, withholding pay, refusing to assign the employee to a Federal contract or other assignment, or otherwise assuming that he or she is unauthorized to work) until and unless secondary verification by SSA or DHS has been completed and a final nonconfirmation has been issued. If the employee does not choose to contest a tentative nonconfirmation or a photo mismatch or if a secondary verification is completed and a final nonconfirmation is issued, then the Employer can find the employee is not work authorized and terminate the employee's employment. Employers or employees with questions about a final nonconfirmation may call E-Verify at 1-888-464-4218 (customer service) or 1-888-897-7781 (worker hotline).

- 14. The Employer agrees to comply with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and section 274B of the INA as applicable by not discriminating unlawfully against any individual in hiring, firing, employment eligibility verification, or recruitment or referral practices because of his or her national origin or citizenship status, or by committing discriminatory documentary practices. The Employer understands that such illegal practices can include selective verification or use of E-Verify except as provided in part D below, or discharging or refusing to hire employees because they appear or sound "foreign" or have received tentative nonconfirmations. The Employer further understands that any violation of the immigration-related unfair employment practices provisions in section 274B of the INA could subject the Employer to civil penalties, back pay awards, and other sanctions, and violations of Title VII could subject the Employer to back pay awards, compensatory and punitive damages. Violations of either section 274B of the INA or Title VII may also lead to the termination of its participation in E-Verify. If the Employer has any questions relating to the anti-discrimination provision, it should contact OSC at 1-800-255-8155 or 1-800-237-2515 (TDD).
- 15. The Employer agrees that it will use the information it receives from E-Verify only to confirm the employment eligibility of employees as authorized by this MOU. The Employer agrees that it will safeguard this information, and means of access to it (such as PINS and passwords), to ensure that it is not used for any other purpose and as necessary to protect its confidentiality, including ensuring that it is not disseminated to any person other than employees of the Employer who are authorized to perform the Employer's responsibilities under this MOU, except for such dissemination as may be authorized in advance by SSA or DHS for legitimate purposes.
- 16. The Employer agrees to notify DHS immediately in the event of a breach of personal information. Breaches are defined as loss of control or unauthorized access to E-Verify personal data. All suspected or confirmed breaches should be reported by calling 1-888-464-4218 or via email at E-Verify@uscis.dhs.gov. Please use "Privacy Incident Password" in the subject line of your email when sending a breach report to E-Verify.
- 17. The Employer acknowledges that the information it receives from SSA is governed by the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. § 552a(i)(1) and (3)) and the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1306(a)). Any person who obtains this information under false pretenses or uses it for any purpose other than as provided for in this MOU may be subject to criminal penalties.
- 18. The Employer agrees to cooperate with DHS and SSA in their compliance monitoring and evaluation of E-Verify, which includes permitting DHS, SSA, their contractors and other agents, upon





reasonable notice, to review Forms I-9 and other employment records and to interview it and its employees regarding the Employer's use of E-Verify, and to respond in a prompt and accurate manner to DHS requests for information relating to their participation in E-Verify.

- 19. The Employer shall not make any false or unauthorized claims or references about its participation in E-Verify on its website, in advertising materials, or other media. The Employer shall not describe its services as federally-approved, federally-certified, or federally-recognized, or use language with a similar intent on its website or other materials provided to the public. Entering into this MOU does not mean that E-Verify endorses or authorizes your E-Verify services and any claim to that effect is false.
- 20. The Employer shall not state in its website or other public documents that any language used therein has been provided or approved by DHS, USCIS or the Verification Division, without first obtaining the prior written consent of DHS.
- 21. The Employer agrees that <u>E-Verify trademarks</u> and logos may be used only under license by DHS/USCIS (see <u>M-795 (Web)</u>) and, other than pursuant to the specific terms of such license, may not be used in any manner that might imply that the Employer's services, products, websites, or publications are sponsored by, endorsed by, licensed by, or affiliated with DHS, USCIS, or E-Verify.
- 22. The Employer understands that if it uses E-Verify procedures for any purpose other than as authorized by this MOU, the Employer may be subject to appropriate legal action and termination of its participation in E-Verify according to this MOU.

#### **B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF FEDERAL CONTRACTORS**

- 1. If the Employer is a Federal contractor with the FAR E-Verify clause subject to the employment verification terms in Subpart 22.18 of the FAR, it will become familiar with and comply with the most current version of the E-Verify User Manual for Federal Contractors as well as the E-Verify Supplemental Guide for Federal Contractors.
- 2. In addition to the responsibilities of every employer outlined in this MOU, the Employer understands that if it is a Federal contractor subject to the employment verification terms in Subpart 22.18 of the FAR it must verify the employment eligibility of any "employee assigned to the contract" (as defined in FAR 22.1801). Once an employee has been verified through E-Verify by the Employer, the Employer may not create a second case for the employee through E-Verify.
  - a. An Employer that is not enrolled in E-Verify as a Federal contractor at the time of a contract award must enroll as a Federal contractor in the E-Verify program within 30 calendar days of contract award and, within 90 days of enrollment, begin to verify employment eligibility of new hires using E-Verify. The Employer must verify those employees who are working in the United States, whether or not they are assigned to the contract. Once the Employer begins verifying new hires, such verification of new hires must be initiated within three business days after the hire date. Once enrolled in E-Verify as a Federal contractor, the Employer must begin verification of employees assigned to the contract within 90 calendar days after the date of enrollment or within 30 days of an employee's assignment to the contract, whichever date is later.





- b. Employers enrolled in E-Verify as a Federal contractor for 90 days or more at the time of a contract award must use E-Verify to begin verification of employment eligibility for new hires of the Employer who are working in the United States, whether or not assigned to the contract, within three business days after the date of hire. If the Employer is enrolled in E-Verify as a Federal contractor for 90 calendar days or less at the time of contract award, the Employer must, within 90 days of enrollment, begin to use E-Verify to initiate verification of new hires of the contractor who are working in the United States, whether or not assigned to the contract. Such verification of new hires must be initiated within three business days after the date of hire. An Employer enrolled as a Federal contractor in E-Verify must begin verification of each employee assigned to the contract within 90 calendar days after date of contract award or within 30 days after assignment to the contract, whichever is later.
- c. Federal contractors that are institutions of higher education (as defined at 20 U.S.C. 1001(a)), state or local governments, governments of Federally recognized Indian tribes, or sureties performing under a takeover agreement entered into with a Federal agency under a performance bond may choose to only verify new and existing employees assigned to the Federal contract. Such Federal contractors may, however, elect to verify all new hires, and/or all existing employees hired after November 6, 1986. Employers in this category must begin verification of employees assigned to the contract within 90 calendar days after the date of enrollment or within 30 days of an employee's assignment to the contract, whichever date is later.
- d. Upon enrollment, Employers who are Federal contractors may elect to verify employment eligibility of all existing employees working in the United States who were hired after November 6, 1986, instead of verifying only those employees assigned to a covered Federal contract. After enrollment, Employers must elect to verify existing staff following DHS procedures and begin

E-Verify verification of all existing employees within 180 days after the election.

- e. The Employer may use a previously completed Form I-9 as the basis for creating an E-Verify case for an employee assigned to a contract as long as:
  - i. That Form I-9 is complete (including the SSN) and complies with Article II.A.6,
  - ii. The employee's work authorization has not expired, and
  - iii. The Employer has reviewed the Form I-9 information either in person or in communications with the employee to ensure that the employee's Section 1, Form I-9 attestation has not changed (including, but not limited to, a lawful permanent resident alien having become a naturalized U.S. citizen).
- f. The Employer shall complete a new Form I-9 consistent with Article II.A.6 or update the previous Form I-9 to provide the necessary information if:
  - i. The Employer cannot determine that Form I-9 complies with Article II.A.6,
  - ii. The employee's basis for work authorization as attested in Section 1 has expired or changed, or
  - iii. The Form I-9 contains no SSN or is otherwise incomplete.

Note: If Section 1 of Form I-9 is otherwise valid and up-to-date and the form otherwise complies with





Article II.C.5, but reflects documentation (such as a U.S. passport or Form I-551) that expired after completing Form I-9, the Employer shall not require the production of additional documentation, or use the photo screening tool described in Article II.A.5, subject to any additional or superseding instructions that may be provided on this subject in the E-Verify User Manual.

- g. The Employer agrees not to require a second verification using E-Verify of any assigned employee who has previously been verified as a newly hired employee under this MOU or to authorize verification of any existing employee by any Employer that is not a Federal contractor based on this Article.
- 3. The Employer understands that if it is a Federal contractor, its compliance with this MOU is a performance requirement under the terms of the Federal contract or subcontract, and the Employer consents to the release of information relating to compliance with its verification responsibilities under this MOU to contracting officers or other officials authorized to review the Employer's compliance with Federal contracting requirements.

#### C. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SSA

- 1. SSA agrees to allow DHS to compare data provided by the Employer against SSA's database. SSA sends DHS confirmation that the data sent either matches or does not match the information in SSA's database.
- 2. SSA agrees to safeguard the information the Employer provides through E-Verify procedures. SSA also agrees to limit access to such information, as is appropriate by law, to individuals responsible for the verification of Social Security numbers or responsible for evaluation of E-Verify or such other persons or entities who may be authorized by SSA as governed by the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. § 552a), the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1306(a)), and SSA regulations (20 CFR Part 401).
- 3. SSA agrees to provide case results from its database within three Federal Government work days of the initial inquiry. E-Verify provides the information to the Employer.
- 4. SSA agrees to update SSA records as necessary if the employee who contests the SSA tentative nonconfirmation visits an SSA field office and provides the required evidence. If the employee visits an SSA field office within the eight Federal Government work days from the date of referral to SSA, SSA agrees to update SSA records, if appropriate, within the eight-day period unless SSA determines that more than eight days may be necessary. In such cases, SSA will provide additional instructions to the employee. If the employee does not visit SSA in the time allowed, E-Verify may provide a final nonconfirmation to the employer.

**Note**: If an Employer experiences technical problems, or has a policy question, the employer should contact E-Verify at 1-888-464-4218.

#### D. RESPONSIBILITIES OF DHS

- 1. DHS agrees to provide the Employer with selected data from DHS databases to enable the Employer to conduct, to the extent authorized by this MOU:
  - a. Automated verification checks on alien employees by electronic means, and





- b. Photo verification checks (when available) on employees.
- 2. DHS agrees to assist the Employer with operational problems associated with the Employer's participation in E-Verify. DHS agrees to provide the Employer names, titles, addresses, and telephone numbers of DHS representatives to be contacted during the E-Verify process.
- 3. DHS agrees to provide to the Employer with access to E-Verify training materials as well as an E-Verify User Manual that contain instructions on E-Verify policies, procedures, and requirements for both SSA and DHS, including restrictions on the use of E-Verify.
- 4. DHS agrees to train Employers on all important changes made to E-Verify through the use of mandatory refresher tutorials and updates to the E-Verify User Manual. Even without changes to E-Verify, DHS reserves the right to require employers to take mandatory refresher tutorials.
- 5. DHS agrees to provide to the Employer a notice, which indicates the Employer's participation in E-Verify. DHS also agrees to provide to the Employer anti-discrimination notices issued by the Office of Special Counsel for Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practices (OSC), Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice.
- 6. DHS agrees to issue each of the Employer's E-Verify users a unique user identification number and password that permits them to log in to E-Verify.
- 7. DHS agrees to safeguard the information the Employer provides, and to limit access to such information to individuals responsible for the verification process, for evaluation of E-Verify, or to such other persons or entities as may be authorized by applicable law. Information will be used only to verify the accuracy of Social Security numbers and employment eligibility, to enforce the INA and Federal criminal laws, and to administer Federal contracting requirements.
- 8. DHS agrees to provide a means of automated verification that provides (in conjunction with SSA verification procedures) confirmation or tentative nonconfirmation of employees' employment eligibility within three Federal Government work days of the initial inquiry.
- 9. DHS agrees to provide a means of secondary verification (including updating DHS records) for employees who contest DHS tentative nonconfirmations and photo mismatch tentative nonconfirmations. This provides final confirmation or nonconfirmation of the employees' employment eligibility within 10 Federal Government work days of the date of referral to DHS, unless DHS determines that more than 10 days may be necessary. In such cases, DHS will provide additional verification instructions.

### ARTICLEIII REFERRALOFINDIVIDUALSTOSSAAND DHS

#### A. REFERRAL TO SSA

1. If the Employer receives a tentative nonconfirmation issued by SSA, the Employer must print the notice as directed by E-Verify. The Employer must promptly notify employees in private of the finding and provide them with the notice and letter containing information specific to the employee's E-Verify case.





The Employer also agrees to provide both the English and the translated notice and letter for employees with limited English proficiency to employees. The Employer agrees to provide written referral instructions to employees and instruct affected employees to bring the English copy of the letter to the SSA. The Employer must allow employees to contest the finding, and not take adverse action against employees if they choose to contest the finding, while their case is still pending.

- 2. The Employer agrees to obtain the employee's response about whether he or she will contest the tentative nonconfirmation as soon as possible after the Employer receives the tentative nonconfirmation. Only the employee may determine whether he or she will contest the tentative nonconfirmation.
- 3. After a tentative nonconfirmation, the Employer will refer employees to SSA field offices only as directed by E-Verify. The Employer must record the case verification number, review the employee information submitted to E-Verify to identify any errors, and find out whether the employee contests the tentative nonconfirmation. The Employer will transmit the Social Security number, or any other corrected employee information that SSA requests, to SSA for verification again if this review indicates a need to do so.
- 4. The Employer will instruct the employee to visit an SSA office within eight Federal Government work days. SSA will electronically transmit the result of the referral to the Employer within 10 Federal Government work days of the referral unless it determines that more than 10 days is necessary.
- 5. While waiting for case results, the Employer agrees to check the E-Verify system regularly for case updates.
- 6. The Employer agrees not to ask the employee to obtain a printout from the Social Security Administration number database (the Numident) or other written verification of the SSN from the SSA.

#### **B. REFERRAL TO DHS**

- 1. If the Employer receives a tentative nonconfirmation issued by DHS, the Employer must promptly notify employees in private of the finding and provide them with the notice and letter containing information specific to the employee's E-Verify case. The Employer also agrees to provide both the English and the translated notice and letter for employees with limited English proficiency to employees. The Employer must allow employees to contest the finding, and not take adverse action against employees if they choose to contest the finding, while their case is still pending.
- 2. The Employer agrees to obtain the employee's response about whether he or she will contest the tentative nonconfirmation as soon as possible after the Employer receives the tentative nonconfirmation. Only the employee may determine whether he or she will contest the tentative nonconfirmation.
- 3. The Employer agrees to refer individuals to DHS only when the employee chooses to contest a tentative nonconfirmation.
- 4. If the employee contests a tentative nonconfirmation issued by DHS, the Employer will instruct the





employee to contact DHS through its toll-free hotline (as found on the referral letter) within eight Federal Government work days.

- 5. If the Employer finds a photo mismatch, the Employer must provide the photo mismatch tentative nonconfirmation notice and follow the instructions outlined in paragraph 1 of this section for tentative nonconfirmations, generally.
- 6. The Employer agrees that if an employee contests a tentative nonconfirmation based upon a photo mismatch, the Employer will send a copy of the employee's Form I-551, Form I-766, U.S. Passport, or passport card to DHS for review by:
  - a. Scanning and uploading the document, or
  - b. Sending a photocopy of the document by express mail (furnished and paid for by the employer).
- 7. The Employer understands that if it cannot determine whether there is a photo match/mismatch, the Employer must forward the employee's documentation to DHS as described in the preceding paragraph. The Employer agrees to resolve the case as specified by the DHS representative who will determine the photo match or mismatch.
- 8. DHS will electronically transmit the result of the referral to the Employer within 10 Federal Government work days of the referral unless it determines that more than 10 days is necessary.
- 9. While waiting for case results, the Employer agrees to check the E-Verify system regularly for case updates.

#### ARTICLE IV SERVICE PROVISIONS

#### A. NO SERVICE FEES

1. SSA and DHS will not charge the Employer for verification services performed under this MOU. The Employer is responsible for providing equipment needed to make inquiries. To access E-Verify, an Employer will need a personal computer with Internet access.

### ARTICLEV MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION

#### A. MODIFICATION

- 1. This MOU is effective upon the signature of all parties and shall continue in effect for as long as the SSA and DHS operates the E-Verify program unless modified in writing by the mutual consent of all parties.
- 2. Any and all E-Verify system enhancements by DHS or SSA, including but not limited to E-Verify checking against additional data sources and instituting new verification policies or procedures, will be covered under this MOU and will not cause the need for a supplemental MOU that outlines these changes.





#### **B. TERMINATION**

- 1. The Employer may terminate this MOU and its participation in E-Verify at any time upon 30 days prior written notice to the other parties.
- 2. Notwithstanding Article V, part A of this MOU, DHS may terminate this MOU, and thereby the Employer's participation in E-Verify, with or without notice at any time if deemed necessary because of the requirements of law or policy, or upon a determination by SSA or DHS that there has been a breach of system integrity or security by the Employer, or a failure on the part of the Employer to comply with established E-Verify procedures and/or legal requirements. The Employer understands that if it is a Federal contractor, termination of this MOU by any party for any reason may negatively affect the performance of its contractual responsibilities. Similarly, the Employer understands that if it is in a state where E-Verify is mandatory, termination of this by any party MOU may negatively affect the Employer's business.
- 3. An Employer that is a Federal contractor may terminate this MOU when the Federal contract that requires its participation in E-Verify is terminated or completed. In such cases, the Federal contractor must provide written notice to DHS. If an Employer that is a Federal contractor fails to provide such notice, then that Employer will remain an E-Verify participant, will remain bound by the terms of this MOU that apply to non-Federal contractor participants, and will be required to use the E-Verify procedures to verify the employment eligibility of all newly hired employees.
- 4. The Employer agrees that E-Verify is not liable for any losses, financial or otherwise, if the Employer is terminated from E-Verify.

#### ARTICLE VI PARTIES

- A. Some or all SSA and DHS responsibilities under this MOU may be performed by contractor(s), and SSA and DHS may adjust verification responsibilities between each other as necessary. By separate agreement with DHS, SSA has agreed to perform its responsibilities as described in this MOU.
- B. Nothing in this MOU is intended, or should be construed, to create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law by any third party against the United States, its agencies, officers, or employees, or against the Employer, its agents, officers, or employees.
- C. The Employer may not assign, directly or indirectly, whether by operation of law, change of control or merger, all or any part of its rights or obligations under this MOU without the prior written consent of DHS, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. Any attempt to sublicense, assign, or transfer any of the rights, duties, or obligations herein is void.
- D. Each party shall be solely responsible for defending any claim or action against it arising out of or related to E-Verify or this MOU, whether civil or criminal, and for any liability wherefrom, including (but not limited to) any dispute between the Employer and any other person or entity regarding the applicability of Section 403(d) of IIRIRA to any action taken or allegedly taken by the Employer.





E. The Employer understands that its participation in E-Verify is not confidential information and may be disclosed as authorized or required by law and DHS or SSA policy, including but not limited to, Congressional oversight, E-Verify publicity and media inquiries, determinations of compliance with Federal contractual requirements, and responses to inquiries under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

- F. The individuals whose signatures appear below represent that they are authorized to enter into this MOU on behalf of the Employer and DHS respectively. The Employer understands that any inaccurate statement, representation, data or other information provided to DHS may subject the Employer, its subcontractors, its employees, or its representatives to: (1) prosecution for false statements pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001 and/or; (2) immediate termination of its MOU and/or; (3) possible debarment or suspension.
- G. The foregoing constitutes the full agreement on this subject between DHS and the Employer.

To be accepted as an E-Verify participant, you should only sign the Employer's Section of the signature page. If you have any questions, contact E-Verify at 1-888-464-4218.





#### Approved by:

Employer	
Blevins Asphalt Construction Company, Inc.	
Name (Please Type or Print) Rick Bekemeier	Title
Signature	Date
Electronically Signed	03/13/2009
Department of Homeland Security – Verifica	tion Division
Name (Please Type or Print) USCIS Verification Division	Title
Signature	Date
Electronically Signed	03/13/2009





Informati	on Required for the E-Verify Program
Information relating to your Comp	any:
Company Name	Blevins Asphalt Construction Company, Inc.
Company Facility Address	11837 Lawrence 1163 Mount Vernon, MO 65712
Company Alternate Address	PO BOX 230 Mount Vernon, MO 65712
County or Parish	LAWRENCE
Employer Identification Number	430964288
North American Industry Classification Systems Code	237
Parent Company	
Number of Employees	20 to 99
Number of Sites Verified for	1 site(s)





Are you verifying for more than 1 site? If yes, please provide the number of sites verified for in each State:

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Information relating to the Program Administrator(s) for your Company on policy questions or operational problems:

Name

Angel Shaw Phone Number 417.466.3758

Fax

417.466.7914

Email

ashaw@blevinsasphalt.com





This list represents the first 20 Program Administrators listed for this company.

#### Company ID Number: XXXXXX

The foregoing constitutes the full agreement on this subject between the SSA, DHS (Department of Homeland Security), and the Employer.

The individuals whose signatures appear below represent that they are authorized to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the Employer and DHS respectively.

To be accepted as a participant in E-Verify, you should only sign the Employer's Section of the signature page. If you have any questions, contact E-Verify Operations at 888-464-4218.

(1)
Employer, Your Company Name
John Doe
Name (Please type or print)
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Verification  Department of Homeland Security Division  Department of Homeland Security Division
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### City of Republic, Missouri AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH INVITATION FOR BID

#### To be submitted with all Bids in response to this IFB

We <b>DO NOT</b> take exception to the IFB Docume	ents/Requirements.
We <b>TAKE</b> exception to the IFB Documents/Rec	quirements as follows:
<u> </u>	
Company Name Blevins Asphalt Construction Co., Inc	ree to abide by all submitted pricing, delivery, terms and  ADDENDA
(Authorized Person's Signature)	Offeror acknowledges receipt of the following addendum:
Company Address	Addendum No1
Mt. Vernon, Mo. 65712	Addendum No. 2
Telephone Number <u>417-466-3758</u>	Addendum No
Fax Number417-466-7914	Addendum No
Date _ 3/21/24	Email scrabtree@blevinsasphalt.com
	Federal Tax ID No43-0964288
	DBE Vendor (Yes/No): No Minority Owned: Women Owned: Veteran Owned:



#### Bid Bond

#### CONTRACTOR:

(Name, legal status and address)
Blevins Asphalt Construction Co, Inc.
PO Box 230

Mount Vernon, MO 65712

#### OWNER

(Name, legal status and address) City of Republic 213 N Main Republic, MO 65738

DOND AMOUNT.

BOND AMOUNT: Ten Percent of the Total Amount Bid (10%)

#### SURETY:

(Name, legal status and principal place of business)

Hartford Fire Insurance Company One Hartford Plaza Hartford, CT 06155

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.

Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

#### PROJECT:

(Name, location or address, and Project number, if any)

2024 City Pavement Overlays Republic, MO

Project Number, if any:

The Contractor and Surety are bound to the Owner in the amount set forth above, for the payment of which the Contractor and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, as provided herein. The conditions of this Bond are such that if the Owner accepts the bid of the Contractor within the time specified in the bid documents, or within such time period as may be agreed to by the Owner and Contractor, and the Contractor either (1) enters into a contract with the Owner in accordance with the terms of such bid, and gives such bond or bonds as may be specified in the bidding or Contract Documents, with a surety admitted in the jurisdiction of the Project and otherwise acceptable to the Owner, for the faithful performance of such Contract and for the prompt payment of labor and material furnished in the prosecution thereof; or (2) pays to the Owner the difference, not to exceed the amount of this Bond, between the amount specified in said bid and such larger amount for which the Owner 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. The Surety hereby waives any notice of an agreement between the Owner and Contractor to extend the time in which the Owner may accept the bid. Waiver of notice by the Surety shall not apply to any extension exceeding sixty (60) days in the aggregate beyond the time for acceptance of bids specified in the bid documents, and the Owner and Contractor shall obtain the Surety's consent for an extension beyond sixty (60) days.

If this Bond is issued in connection with a subcontractor's bid to a Contractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location of the Project, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

Signed and sealed this 20th day of M	March, 2024
	Blevins Asphalt Construction Co, Inc.
for loster	(Principal) (Seal)
(Wighess)  (Witness)	(Title) Scott Crabtree, Vice-President Hartford Fire Insurance Company (Surfer) (Title) Nicole M Johnson, Attorney-In-Fact

### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Direct Inquiries/Claims to:
THE HARTFORD
BOND, T-11
One Hartford Plaza
Hartford, Connecticut 06155

Bond.Claims@thehartford.com
call: 888-266-3488 or fax: 860-757-5835

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT:

Agency Name: BONDING AND Agency Code: 37-284958

Agency Name: BONDING AND INS SOLUTIONS LLC

Х	Hartford Fire Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut
X	Hartford Casualty Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana
X	Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut
	Hartford Underwriters Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut
	Twin City Fire Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana
	Hartford Insurance Company of Illinois, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Illinois
	Hartford Insurance Company of the Midwest, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana
	Hartford Insurance Company of the Southeast, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Florida
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having their home office in Hartford, Connecticut, (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Companies") do hereby make, constitute and appoint, up to the amount of Unlimited:

Eric A. Dedovesh, Nicole M. Johnson, Rodney W. Paddock, Nathan Paddock of LEES SUMMIT, Missouri

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, each in their separate capacity if more than one is named above, to sign its name as surety(ies) only as delineated above by  $\boxtimes$ , 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.

In Witness Whereof, and as authorized by a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies on May 23, 2016 the Companies have caused these presents to be signed by its Assistant Vice President and its corporate seals to be hereto affixed, duly attested by its Assistant Secretary. Further, pursuant to Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies, the Companies hereby unambiguously affirm that they are and will be bound by any mechanically applied signatures applied to this Power of Attorney.

















Shelpy Wiggins

Shelby Wiggins, Assistant Secretary

Joelle L. LaPierre, Assistant Vice President

STATE OF FLORIDA

**COUNTY OF SEMINOLE** 

ss. Lake Mary

On this 20th day of May, 2021, before me personally came Joelle LaPierre, to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that (s)he resides in Seminole County, State of Florida; that (s)he is the Assistant Vice President of the Companies, the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; that (s)he knows the seals of the said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; that they were so affixed by authority of the Boards of Directors of said corporations and that (s)he signed his/her name thereto by like authority.



Jessica Ciccone
My Commission HH 122280
Expires June 20, 2025

I, the undersigned, Assistant Vice President of the Companies, 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 effective as of March 20th, 2024

Signed and sealed in Lake Mary, Florida.

















Keith Dozois