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ACCOUNT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

PROPERTY BROKER'S SURETY BOND UNDER 49 U.S.C. 13906

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we Watkins & Shepard Trucking, Inc.

*(Name of Property Broker)*

of N 4600 Highway 10 West

Missoula

MT

59802

*(Street)*

*(City)*

*(State)*

*(Zip code)*

as PRINCIPAL (hereinafter called Principal), and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America,

*(Name of Surety)*

a corporation, or a Risk Retention Group established under the Liability Risk Retention Act of 1986, Pub. L. 99-563, created and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut (hereinafter called Surety) are held and

*(State or District of Columbia)*

firmly bound unto the United States of America in the sum of \$10,000, for which payment, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves and our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal is or intends to become a Broker pursuant to the provisions of Title 49 U.S.C. 13904, and the rules and regulations of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration relating to insurance or other security for the protection of motor carriers and shippers, and has elected to file with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration such a bond as will ensure financial responsibility and the supplying of transportation subject to the ICC Termination Act of 1995 in accordance with contracts, agreements, or arrangements therefore, and

WHEREAS, this bond is written to assure compliance by the Principal as a licensed Property Broker of Transportation by motor vehicle with 49 U.S.C. 13906(b), and the rules and regulations of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, relating to insurance or other security for the protection of motor carriers and shippers, and shall inure to the benefit of any and all motor carriers or shippers to whom the Principal may be legally liable for any of the damages herein described.

NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that if the Principal shall pay or cause to be paid to motor carriers or shippers by motor vehicle any sum or sums for which the Principal may be held legally liable by reason of the Principal's failure faithfully to perform, fulfill, and carry out all contracts, agreements, and arrangements made by the Principal while this bond is in effect for the supplying of transportation subject to the ICC Termination Act of 1995 under license issued to the Principal by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

The liability of the Surety shall not be discharged by any payment or succession of payments hereunder, unless and until such payment or payments shall amount in the aggregate to the penalty of the bond, but in no event shall the Surety's obligation hereunder exceed the amount of said penalty. The Surety agrees to furnish written notice to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration forthwith of all suits filed, judgements rendered, and payments made by said Surety under this bond.

This bond is effective the 8 day of October, 2000, 12:01 a.m., standard time at the address of the Principal as stated herein and shall continue in force until terminated as hereinafter provided. The Principal or the Surety may at any time cancel this bond by written notice to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration at its office in Washington, DC, such cancellation to become effective thirty (30) days after actual receipt of said notice by the FMCSA on the prescribed Form BMC-36, Notice of Cancellation Motor Carrier and Broker Surety Bond. The Surety shall not be liable hereunder for the payment of any damages herein before described which arise as the result of any contracts, agreements, undertakings, or arrangements made by the Principal for the supplying of transportation after the termination of this bond as herein provided, but such termination shall not affect the liability of the Surety hereunder for the payment of any such damages arising as the result of contracts, agreements, or arrangements made by the Principal for the supplying of transportation prior to the date such termination becomes effective.

The receipt of this filing by the FMCSA certifies that a Broker Surety Bond has been issued by the company identified above, and that such company is qualified to make this filing under Section 387.315 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Falsification of this document can result in criminal penalties prescribed under 18 U.S.C. 1001.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Principal and Surety have executed this instrument on the 7 day of November, 2000, 2000.

PRINCIPAL: Watkins & Shepard Trucking, Inc. SURETY: Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America

Name N 4600 Highway 10 West  
Address Missoula, MT 59802

Telephone No. 406/728-6121

By Michael Gaud VP/Treas  
(Signature and Title)

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Name One Tower Square  
[SEAL] Address Hartd, CT 06183

Telephone No. 406/442-5360

By Jonathan M. Emmons  
(Signature and Title)  
Jonathan M. Emmons Attorney-in-Fact.

Witness Karen A. Reving

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY and FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY have caused this instrument to be signed by their Senior Vice President and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed this 18th day of June 2002.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

}SS. Hartford

COUNTY OF HARTFORD

TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA  
TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY  
FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY



By *George W. Thompson*  
George W. Thompson  
Senior Vice President

On this 18th day of June, 2002 before me personally came GEORGE W. THOMPSON to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he/she is Senior Vice President of TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY and FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY, the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; that he/she knows the seals of said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; and that he/she executed the said instrument on behalf of the corporations by authority of his/her office under the Standing Resolutions thereof.



*Marie C Tetreault*  
My commission expires June 30, 2006 Notary Public  
Marie C. Tetreault

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY and FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY, stock corporations of the State of Connecticut, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Power of Attorney and Certificate of Authority remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore, that the Standing Resolutions of the Boards of Directors, as set forth in the Certificate of Authority, are now in force.

Signed and Sealed at the Home Office of the Company, in the City of Hartford, State of Connecticut. Dated this 7 day of November, 2002.



By *Kori M. Johanson*  
Kori M. Johanson  
Assistant Secretary, Bond

TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA  
TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY  
FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY  
Hartford, Connecticut 06183-9062

**POWER OF ATTORNEY AND CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY OF ATTORNEY(S)-IN-FACT**

**KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY and FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY,** corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut, and having their principal offices in the City of Hartford, County of Hartford, State of Connecticut, (hereinafter the "Companies") hath made, constituted and appointed, and do by these presents make, constitute and appoint: **Patrick S. McCutcheon, Sarah W. Kelly, Fred H. Wardinsky, Sharon M. Pfeiffer, Jonathan M. Emmons, of Helena, Montana,** their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, execute and acknowledge, at any place within the United States, the following instrument(s): by his/her sole signature and act, any and all bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking and any and all consents incident thereto and to bind the Companies, thereby as fully and to the same extent as if the same were signed by the duly authorized officers of the Companies, and all the acts of said Attorney(s)-in-Fact, pursuant to the authority herein given, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This appointment is made under and by authority of the following Standing Resolutions of said Companies, which Resolutions are now in full force and effect:

VOTED: That the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents to act for and on behalf of the company and may give such appointee such authority as his or her certificate of authority may prescribe to sign with the Company's name and seal with the Company's seal bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking, and any of said officers or the Board of Directors at any time may remove any such appointee and revoke the power given him or her.

VOTED: That the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing and a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Secretary.

VOTED: That any bond, recognizance, contract of indemnity, or writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking shall be valid and binding upon the Company when (a) signed by the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and duly attested and sealed with the Company's seal by a Secretary or Assistant Secretary, or (b) duly executed (under seal, if required) by one or more Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents pursuant to the power prescribed in his or her certificate or their certificates of authority or by one or more Company officers pursuant to a written delegation of authority.

**This Power of Attorney and Certificate of Authority is signed and sealed by facsimile (mechanical or printed) under and by authority of the following Standing Resolution voted by the Boards of Directors of TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY and FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY, which Resolution is now in full force and effect:**

VOTED: That the signature of each of the following officers: President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, any Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Resident Vice Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries or Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such power of attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by such facsimile signature and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company in the future with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached.