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BID FORM - PACKAGE D, ELECTRICAL & LOW VOLTAGE TRADES

To: Governing Board of **Mountain View Los Altos High School District** ("District")

From: Cupertino Electric, Inc.
(Proper Name of Bidder)

1. Total Bid. The undersigned declares that the Contract Documents including, without limitation, the Invitation to Bid, the Instructions to Bidders, and the Special Conditions have been read, and agrees and proposes to furnish all necessary labor, materials, and equipment to perform and furnish all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents, including, without limitation, the Drawings and Specifications for the following project:

Los Altos High School Music Building Modernization

Bid Package D, Electrical & Low Voltage Trades

("Work" or "Contract")

and will accept in full payment for that Work the following total lump sum amount, all taxes included:

TOTAL BASE BID	
NOTE: IF THERE ARE ALLOWANCES IDENTIFIED IN THIS BID FORM, INCLUDE ANY ALLOWANCE (S) AMOUNTS IN THESE BID AMOUNTS.	\$ <u>690,822.00</u> Dollars

- 2. Additive/Deductive Alternates:** Descriptions of alternates are primarily scope definitions and do not necessarily detail the full range of materials and processes needed to complete the construction. [**None**]
- 3. Unit Price(s).** The Bidder's Base Bid includes the following unit price(s), which the Bidder must provide and the District may, at its discretion, utilize in valuing additive and/or deductive change orders: [**None**]
- 4. Allowance(s).** The Bidder's Base Bid shall include the following potential Allowance(s). The District will add some or all of the following Allowance(s) amount(s) to the successful bidder's Contract, at the District's discretion. Contractor shall be permitted to invoice for Work under an Allowance in the identical structure as a Change Order.

Allowance D1: Unforeseen Conditions	<u>\$100,000.00</u>
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- 5. Contract Review.** The undersigned has reviewed the Work outlined in the Contract Documents and fully understands the scope of Work required in this bid, understands the construction and project management function(s) is described in the Contract Documents, and that each Bidder who is awarded a contract shall be in fact a prime contractor, not a subcontractor, to the District, and agrees that its bid, if accepted by the District, will be the basis for the Bidder to enter into a contract with the District in accordance with the intent of the Contract Documents.
- 6. Requests for Clarification.** The undersigned has notified the District in writing of any discrepancies or

omissions or of any doubt, questions, or ambiguities about the meaning of any of the Contract Documents, and has contacted the Construction Manager before bid date to verify the issuance of any clarifying Bid Clarification.

7. **Contract Time.** The undersigned agrees to commence work under this Contract on the date established in the Contract Documents and to complete all work within the time specified in the Contract Documents.

8. **Contractual Provisions.** The undersigned hereby acknowledges and agrees to be bound by following provisions and all provisions in the Contract Documents:

- The liquidated damages clause of the General Conditions and Agreement.
- The "Changes in the Work" provisions in the General Conditions that limit the permitted charges and mark-ups on change orders and on the amount of home office overhead that the successful bidder can receive from the District.
- The "Claims" provisions in the General Conditions that delineate the required process to submit and process disputes and claims.

9. **Bid Open for 90 Days.** It is understood that the District reserves the right to reject this bid and that the bid shall remain open to acceptance and is irrevocable for a period of ninety (90) days.

10. **Attachments.** The following documents are attached hereto:

- The Bid Bond on the District's form or other security
- The Designated Subcontractors List
- The Noncollusion Declaration
- Iran Contracting Act Certification

11. **Bid Clarification Acknowledgement:** Receipt and acceptance of the following Bid Clarification is hereby acknowledged:

No. <u>1</u> , Dated <u>2/10/2025</u>	No. _____, Dated _____
No. <u>2</u> , Dated <u>2/18/2025</u>	No. _____, Dated _____
No. _____, Dated _____	No. _____, Dated _____
No. _____, Dated _____	No. _____, Dated _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Or check here if no Bid Clarification were issued.	

12. **Bidder's License.** Bidder acknowledges that the license required for performance of the Work is as stated in the Invitation to Bid. Bidder certifies that it is, at the time of bidding, and shall be throughout the period of the contract, licensed by the State of California to do the type of work required under the terms of the Contract Documents. Bidder further certifies that it is regularly engaged in the general class and type of work called for in the Contract Documents.

13. **Labor Harmony.** The undersigned hereby certifies that Bidder is able to furnish labor that can work in harmony with all other elements of labor employed or to be employed on the Work.

14. **DIR Registration.** Bidder shall ensure that it and its Subcontractors comply with the registration and compliance monitoring provisions of Labor Code section 1771.4, including furnishing its CPRs to the Labor

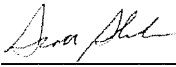
Commissioner, and are registered pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5.

- 15. **Pregualification.** The Bidder confirms that it has been prequalified by the District. In addition, the Bidder confirms that, if the Project has electrical, mechanical, or plumbing components that will be performed by first-tier subcontractor with the following license classifications, then those subcontractors have also been prequalified by the District: C-36.
- 16. **General Acknowledgement.** The Bidder represents that it is competent, knowledgeable, and has special skills with respect to the nature, extent, and inherent conditions of the Work to be performed. Bidder further acknowledges that there are certain peculiar and inherent conditions existent in the construction of the Work that may create, during the Work, unusual or peculiar unsafe conditions hazardous to persons and property. Bidder expressly acknowledges that it is aware of such peculiar risks and that it has the skill and experience to foresee and to adopt protective measures to adequately and safely perform the Work with respect to such hazards.
- 17. **False Claims Act.** Bidder expressly acknowledges that it is aware that if a false claim is knowingly submitted (as the terms "claim" and "knowingly" are defined in the California False Claims Act, Cal. Gov. Code, §12650 et seq.), the District will be entitled to civil remedies set forth in the California False Claim Act. It may also be considered fraud and the Contractor may be subject to criminal prosecution.

Furthermore, Bidder hereby certifies to the District that all representations, certifications, and statements made by Bidder, as set forth in this bid form, are true and correct and are made under penalty of perjury.

Date: 2/20/2025

Proper Name of Bidder: Cupertino Electric, Inc.

Signature: 

By: Scott Slivka (Print Name)

Title: Group Executive

Address of Bidder: 1132 North Seventh Street

Telephone Number: 408-808-8214

Fax Number: 408-275-8575

E-mail: scott_slivka@cei.com

Webpage: www.cei.com

Bidder's Taxpayer Identification No.: 74-2851603

Bidder's DIR Registration No.: 1000003692

Contractor's License No(s): No.: 174637 Class: C-10 Expiration Date: 8/31/2026

No.: _____ Class: _____ Expiration Date: _____

No.: _____ Class: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Type of Organization of Bidder: C Corp

If Bidder is a corporation, provide the following:

Name of Corporation: Cupertino Electric, Inc.

President: Tom Schott

Secretary: Debra Olson

Treasurer: Marianne Aguiar

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DOCUMENT 00 43 36**DESIGNATED SUBCONTRACTORS LIST**

TO BE EXECUTED BY BIDDER AND SUBMITTED WITH BID

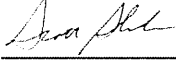
Los Altos High School Music Building ModernizationBid Package D , Electrical & Low Voltage Trades ("Work" or "Contract")

1. **Listed.** Bidder must list hereinafter the name and location of each subcontractor who will be employed, and the scope of Work that each will perform if the Contract is awarded to the Bidder. Bidder acknowledges and agrees that under Public Contract Code section 4100, et seq., it must clearly identify the name and location of each subcontractor who will perform work or labor or render service to the Bidder in or about the construction of the Work in an amount in excess of one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) of Bidder's total Bid.
2. **CSLB Number.** Bidder must provide the Contactor State License Board number ("**CSLB No.**") for all listed subcontractors.
3. **DIR Number.** Bidder must provide the Department of Industrial Relations registration number ("**DIR No.**") for all listed subcontractors.
4. **Same Scope.** If more than one subcontractor is named for the same scope of Work, state with specificity the particular scope or portion that each subcontractor will perform.
5. **No Vendors or Suppliers.** Bidder need not list entities that are only vendors or suppliers of materials.
6. **Not Listed.** As to any Work that Bidder fails to list that is in excess of one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) of Bidder's total Bid, Bidder agrees that it is qualified to perform that scope of Work and will perform that scope of Work, or be subjected to penalty under applicable law.
7. **Alternate Work.** If alternate bids are called for and Bidder intends to use Subcontractors different from or in addition to those Subcontractors listed for work under the base Bid, Bidder must list Subcontractors that will perform Work in an amount in excess of one half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) of Bidder's total Bid, including alternates.
8. **Prequalification.** If the Project has electrical, mechanical, or plumbing components that will be performed by subcontractors performing under the following license classification(s), then each of those subcontractors must also have been prequalified by the District: C-36.
9. **DVBEs.** Bidder must indicate which, if any, of its subcontractors are disabled veteran business enterprises (DVBE) and the estimated percentage of the Work those subcontractor(s) will perform.
10. **Bidders may correct inadvertent error(s) in listing subcontractors' CSLB Nos. or DIR Nos. within twenty-four (24) hours after bid opening.**
11. **Additional Sheets.** If further space is required for the list of proposed subcontractors, additional sheets showing the required information, as indicated below, shall be attached hereto and made a part of this document and submitted with this form.

I certify and declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that all the information listed on the following page(s) is complete, true, and correct.

Date: 2/20/2025

Proper Name of Bidder: Cupertino Electric, Inc.

Signature: 

By: Scott Slivka (Print Name)

Title: Group Executive

Subcontractor Name	Portion of Work (Scope)	Location of Business	CSLB No.: 174637
CEI - Low Voltage	Fire Alarm	San Jose, CA	DIR No.: 1000003692
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			DIR No.:
			If DVBE, % of Work:
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NONCOLLUSION DECLARATION
Public Contract Code § 7106

TO BE EXECUTED BY BIDDER AND SUBMITTED WITH BID

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The undersigned declares:

I am the Group Executive **[PRINT YOUR TITLE]**

of Cupertino Electric, Inc. **[PRINT FIRM NAME]**,

the party making the foregoing bid.

The bid is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, any undisclosed person, partnership, company, association, organization, or corporation. The bid is genuine and not collusive or sham. The bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other bidder to put in a false or sham bid. The bidder has not directly or indirectly colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed with any bidder or anyone else to put in a sham bid, or to refrain from bidding. The bidder has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement, communication, or conference with anyone to fix the bid price of the bidder or any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of the bid price, or of that of any other bidder. All statements contained in the bid are true. The bidder has not, directly or indirectly, submitted his or her bid price or any breakdown thereof, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto, to any corporation, partnership, company, association, organization, bid depository, or to any member or agent thereof, to effectuate a collusive or sham bid, and has not paid, and will not pay, any person or entity for such purpose.

Any person executing this declaration on behalf of a bidder that is a corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other entity, hereby represents that he or she has full power to execute, and does execute, this declaration on behalf of the bidder.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration is executed on the following date:

Date: 2/20/2025

Proper Name of Bidder: Cupertino Electric, Inc.

Signature: *Scott Slivka*

By: Scott Slivka (Print Name)

Title: Group Executive

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IRAN CONTRACTING ACT CERTIFICATION (Public Contract Code § 2204)

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Pursuant to Public Contract Code (PCC) section 2204, an Iran Contracting Act certification is required for solicitations of goods or services of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or more.

Contractor shall complete **ONLY ONE** of the following three paragraphs.

1. Contractor’s Total Base Bid is less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000).

OR

2. Contractor’s Total Base Bid is one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or more, but Bidder is **not** on the current list of persons engaged in investment activities in Iran created by the California Department of General Services (“DGS”) pursuant to Public Contract Code § 2203(b), and Bidder is not a financial institution extending twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) or more in credit to another person, for 45 days or more, if that other person will use the credit to provide goods or services in the energy sector in Iran and is identified on the current list of persons engaged in investment activities in Iran created by DGS.


OR

3. Contractor’s Total Base Bid is one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or more, but the District has given prior written permission to Contractor to submit a proposal pursuant to PCC 2203(c) or (d). **A copy of the written permission from the District is included with Bid.**

I certify that I am duly authorized to legally bind the Bidder to this certification, that the contents of this certification are true, and that this certification is made under the laws of the State of California.

Date: 2/20/2025

Proper Name of Contractor: Cupertino Electric, Inc.

Signature: 

By: Scott Slivka (Print Name)

Title: Group Executive

END OF DOCUMENT

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BID BOND (SECURITY)

(Note: If Bidder is providing a bid bond as its bid security, Bidder must use this form, NOT a surety company form.)

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The undersigned, Cupertino Electric, Inc. as Principal ("Principal");

and Federal Insurance Company as Surety ("Surety"; a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Indiana and authorized to do business as a surety in the State of California) are held and firmly bound unto the

Mountain View Los Altos High School District ("District") as Obligee, in the sum of \$ Ten Percent (10%) of Bid Amount Dollars , lawful money of the United States, for the payment to the District will and truly to be made pursuant to the provisions herein. Principal and Surety each of us, bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that whereas the Principal has submitted a bid to the District for all Work specifically described in the accompanying bid and if the District awards the contract to the Principal and, within the time and manner required under the Contract Documents, after the prescribed forms are presented to Principal for signature, the Principal enters into a written contract, in the prescribed form in accordance with the bid, and files two bonds (one guaranteeing faithful performance and the other guaranteeing payment for labor and materials as required by law), and meets all other conditions to the contract between the Principal and the Obligee becoming effective, or if the Principal shall fully reimburse and save harmless the Obligee from any damage sustained by the Obligee through failure of the Principal to enter into the written contract and to file the required performance and labor and material bonds, and to meet all other conditions to the Contract between the Principal and the Obligee becoming effective, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise, it shall be and remain in full force and effect and the Surety shall immediately issue full payment of the sum stated above to the Obligee upon notification from the Obligee that the Principal has not taken all steps to nullify or void this obligation.

Surety agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the call for bids, or to the work to be performed thereunder, or the specifications accompanying the same, shall in any way affect its obligation under this bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the call for bids, or to the work, or to the specifications.

In the event suit is brought upon this bond by the Obligee and judgment is recovered, the Surety shall pay all costs incurred by the Obligee in that suit, including a reasonable attorneys' fee to be fixed by the Court.

If the District awards the bid, the security of unsuccessful bidder(s) shall be returned within sixty (60) days from the time the award is made. Unless otherwise required by law, no bidder may withdraw its bid for ninety (90) days after the date of the bid opening.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument has been duly executed by the Principal and Surety above named, on

Date: February 12, 2025

Principal: Cupertino Electric, Inc.

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

By: THOMAS SCHOTT (Print Name)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of California
County of Santa Clara

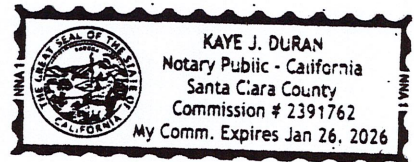
On February 18, 2025 before me, Kaye J. Duran, Notary Public,
(insert name and title of the officer)

personally appeared Thomas Schott
who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature  (Seal)



Title: PRESIDENT & CEO
Date: 2/18/2025

Surety: Federal Insurance Company

Signature: *Sarah E Green*

By: Sarah E. Green (Print Name)

Title: Attorney-in-Fact



The following information must be provided:

Vicky Campbell
Name of California Agent of Surety

2010 Main Street, Suite 1050, Irvine, CA 92614
Address of California Agent of Surety

(949) 885-1206
Telephone Number of California Agent of Surety

vicky.m.campbell@wtwco.com
Email of California Agent of Surety

Bidder must attach Power of Attorney and Certificate of Authority for Surety and a Notarial Acknowledgment for all Surety's signatures. The California Department of Insurance must authorize the Surety to be an admitted Surety Insurer.

END OF DOCUMENT

CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Civil Code § 1189

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy or validity of that document.



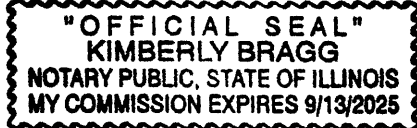
State of Illinois
County of Cook }

On February 12, 2025 before me, Kimberly Bragg, Notary Public
Date Name and Title of Notary

personally appeared Sarah E. Green
Name and or Names of Signer(s)

Who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.



Witness my hand and official seal.

Signature Kimberly Bragg
Notary Public Signature

Place Notary Public Seal Above

OPTIONAL

Though the information below is not required by law, it may prove valuable to the persons relying on the document and could prevent fraudulent removal and reattachment of this form to another document.

Description of Attached Document

Title or Type of Document _____

Document Date _____ Number of Pages: _____

Signer's Name: _____

Individual
 Corporate Officer – Title(s): _____
 Partner - Limited General
 Guardian or Conservator
 Attorney-in-Fact
 Trustee
 Other: _____
 Signer is representing _____
 Federal Insurance Company

RIGHT THUMBPRINT OF SIGNER

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Individual
 Corporate Officer – Title(s): _____
 Partner - Limited General
 Guardian or Conservator
 Attorney-in-Fact
 Trustee
 Other: _____
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Power of Attorney

Federal Insurance Company | Vigilant Insurance Company | Pacific Indemnity Company

Westchester Fire Insurance Company | ACE American Insurance Company

Know All by These Presents, that FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, an Indiana corporation, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, a New York corporation, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, a Delaware corporation, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY corporations of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do each hereby constitute and appoint Sarah E. Green

Surety Bond No. Bid Bond

Obligee: Mountain View Los Altos High School District

each as their true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact to execute under such designation in their names and to affix their corporate seals to and deliver for and on their behalf as surety thereon or otherwise, bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof (other than bail bonds) given or executed in the course of business, and any instruments amending or altering the same, and consents to the modification or alteration of any instrument referred to in said bonds or obligations.

In Witness Whereof, said FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY have each executed and attested these presents and affixed their corporate seals on this 1st day of October, 2024.

Rupert H.D. Swindells

Rupert HD Swindells, Assistant Secretary

Warren Eichhorn

Warren Eichhorn, Vice President



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

County of Hunterdon

SS.

On this 1st day of October, 2024 before me, a Notary Public of New Jersey, personally came Rupert HD Swindells and Warren Eichhorn, to me known to be Assistant Secretary and Vice President, respectively, of FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, the companies which executed the foregoing Power of Attorney, and the said Rupert HD Swindells and Warren Eichhorn, being by me duly sworn, severally and each for himself did depose and say that they are Assistant Secretary and Vice President, respectively, of FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY and know the corporate seals thereof, that the seals affixed to the foregoing Power of Attorney are such corporate seals and were thereto affixed by authority of said Companies; and that their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed by like authority.

Notarial Seal



Albert Contursi
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
No 50202369
Commission Expires August 22, 2027

Albert Contursi
Notary Public

CERTIFICATION

Resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, and PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY on August 30, 2016; WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY on December 11, 2006; and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY on March 20, 2009:

"RESOLVED, that the following authorizations relate to the execution, for and on behalf of the Company, of bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts and other written commitments of the Company entered into in the ordinary course of business (each a "Written Commitment"):

- (1) Each of the Chairman, the President and the Vice Presidents of the Company is hereby authorized to execute any Written Commitment for and on behalf of the Company, under the seal of the Company or otherwise.
(2) Each duly appointed attorney-in-fact of the Company is hereby authorized to execute any Written Commitment for and on behalf of the Company, under the seal of the Company or otherwise, to the extent that such action is authorized by the grant of powers provided for in such person's written appointment as such attorney-in-fact.
(3) Each of the Chairman, the President and the Vice Presidents of the Company is hereby authorized, for and on behalf of the Company, to appoint in writing any person the attorney-in-fact of the Company with full power and authority to execute, for and on behalf of the Company, under the seal of the Company or otherwise, such Written Commitments of the Company as may be specified in such written appointment, which specification may be by general type or class of Written Commitments or by specification of one or more particular Written Commitments.
(4) Each of the Chairman, the President and the Vice Presidents of the Company is hereby authorized, for and on behalf of the Company, to delegate in writing to any other officer of the Company the authority to execute, for and on behalf of the Company, under the Company's seal or otherwise, such Written Commitments of the Company as are specified in such written delegation, which specification may be by general type or class of Written Commitments or by specification of one or more particular Written Commitments.
(5) The signature of any officer or other person executing any Written Commitment or appointment or delegation pursuant to this Resolution, and the seal of the Company, may be affixed by facsimile on such Written Commitment or written appointment or delegation.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing Resolution shall not be deemed to be an exclusive statement of the powers and authority of officers, employees and other persons to act for and on behalf of the Company, and such Resolution shall not limit or otherwise affect the exercise of any such power or authority otherwise validly granted or vested."

I, Rupert HD Swindells, Assistant Secretary of FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY (the "Companies") do hereby certify that

- (i) the foregoing Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Companies are true, correct and in full force and effect.
(ii) the foregoing Power of Attorney is true, correct and in full force and effect.

Given under my hand and seals of said Companies at Whitehouse Station, NJ, this February 12, 2025.



Rupert H.D. Swindells

Rupert HD Swindells, Assistant Secretary

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