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July 6, 2021

RE: Revised Bond Document for CLEC CPCN Authority Application in docket # 21-00033  
from Johnson City Energy Authority dba BrightRidge (“BrightRidge”)

One (1) original plus four (4) hard copies of this revised Bond document from BrightRidge will be filed via USPS on this date. The original Application was filed electronically on March 10, 2021.

Questions concerning this filing may be directed to the undersigned on 301-788-6889 or [tfireccg@myactv.net](mailto:tfireccg@myactv.net).

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ *Terri K. Firestein*

Terri K. Firestein  
CCG Consulting  
Regulatory Compliance Consultant  
on behalf of BrightRidge

Enclosures

# TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## TENNESSEE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE PROVIDER'S SURETY BOND

Bond #: 107389760 Duplicated Original

**WHEREAS, Johnson City Energy Authority** (the "Principal"), has applied to the Tennessee Public Utility Commission for authority to provide telecommunications services in the State of Tennessee; and

**WHEREAS,** under the provisions of Title 65, Chapter 4, Section 125(j) of the Tennessee Code Annotated, as amended, the Principal is required to file this bond in order to obtain such authority and to secure the payment of any monetary sanction imposed in any enforcement proceeding brought under Title 65 of the Tennessee Code Annotated or the Consumer Telemarketing Act of 1990 by or on behalf of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (the "TPUC"); and

**WHEREAS, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America** (the "Surety"), a corporation licensed to do business in the State of Tennessee and duly authorized by the Tennessee Commissioner of Insurance to engage in the surety business in this state pursuant to Title 56, Chapter 2 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, has agreed to issue this bond in order to permit the Principal to comply with the provisions of Title 65, Chapter 4, Section 125(j) of the Tennessee Code Annotated;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN,** that we the Principal and the Surety are held and firmly bound to the STATE OF TENNESSEE, in accordance with the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 65, Chapter 4, Section 125(j), in the full amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) lawful money of the United States of America to be used for the full and prompt payment of any monetary sanction imposed against the Principal, its representatives, successors or assigns, in any enforcement proceeding brought under Title 65 of Tennessee Code Annotated or the Consumer Telemarketing Act of 1990, by or on behalf of the TPUC, for which obligation we bind ourselves, our representatives, successors and assigns, each jointly and severally, firmly and unequivocally by these presents.

This bond shall become effective on the 18th day of February, 2021 and shall be continuous; provided, however, that each annual renewal period or portion thereof shall constitute a new bond term. Regardless of the number of years this bond may remain in force, the liability of the Surety shall not be cumulative, and the aggregate liability of the Surety for any and all claims, suits or actions under this bond shall not exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00). The Surety may cancel this bond by giving thirty (30) days written notice of such cancellation to the TPUC and Principal by certified mail, it being understood that the Surety shall not be relieved of liability that may have accrued under this bond prior to the date of cancellation.

### PRINCIPAL

**Johnson City Energy Authority**

Name of Company authorized by the TPUC

Company ID # as assigned by TPUC

SIGNATURE OF PRINCIPAL

Name: Jeffrey R. Dykes

Title: CEO

### SURETY

**Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America**

Name of Surety

6640 Carothers Pkwy., Franklin, TN 37607

Address of Surety

SIGNATURE OF SURETY AGENT

Name: Gena Anders

Title: Attorney in Fact

Address of Surety Agent:

**Johnson City Insurance Agency, Inc.**

2908 E. Oaklan Ave.

Johnson City, TN 37601

THIS BOND IS ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 125, CHAPTER 4, TITLE 65 OF THE TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER NO. 586, 2000 PUBLIC ACTS. SHOULD THERE BE ANY CONFLICT WITH THE TERMS HEREOF AND THE STATUTE OR REGULATIONS PROMULGATED THEREUNDER, THE STATUTE OR REGULATIONS SHALL PREVAIL. (POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM AN APPROVED INSURANCE COMPANY MUST BE ATTACHED.)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL

STATE OF TENNESSEE

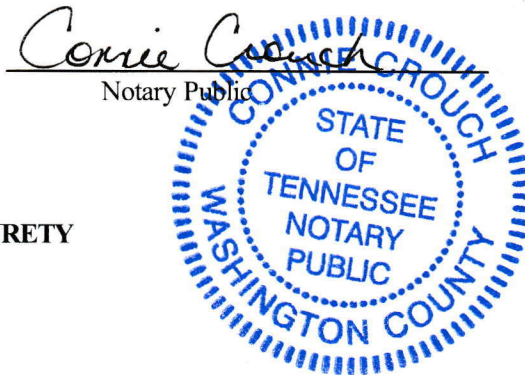
COUNTY OF Washington

Before me, a Notary Public of the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Jeffrey R. Dykes with whom I am personally acquainted and who, upon oath, acknowledged himself to be the individual who executed the foregoing bond on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 7 day of June, 2021.

My Commission Expires:

11-1-2023



ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURETY

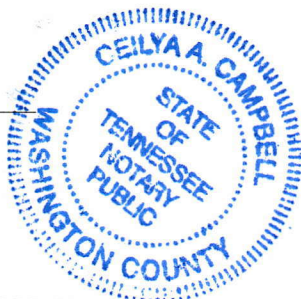
STATE OF Tennessee  
COUNTY OF Washington

Before me, a Notary Public of the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Gena Anders with whom I am personally acquainted and who, upon oath, acknowledged himself to be the individual who executed the foregoing bond on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_, the within named Surety, a corporation licensed to do business in the State of Tennessee and duly authorized by the Tennessee Commissioner of Insurance to engage in the surety business in this state pursuant to Title 56, Chapter 2 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, and that he as such an individual being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing bond, by signing the name of the corporation by himself and as such individual.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 7 day of June, 2021.

My Commission Expires:

6/29/2021



Ceilya A. Campbell  
Notary Public

APPROVAL AND INDORSEMENT

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing bond and found the same to be sufficient and in conformity to law, that the sureties on the same are good and worth the penalty thereof, and that the same has been filed with the Tennessee Public Utility Commission, State of Tennessee, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_





Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America  
Hartford, CT 06183

License No. \_\_\_\_\_

### RIDER

To be attached to and form part of Bond No. 107389760.

Issued on behalf of JOHNSON CITY ENERGY AUTHORITY DBA BRIGHTBRIDGE as Principal, and in favor of  
Tennessee Public Utility Commission as Obligee.

It is agreed that:

1. The Surety hereby gives its consent to change the Name:

from: JOHNSON CITY ENERGY AUTHORITY

to: JOHNSON CITY ENERGY AUTHORITY DBA BRIGHTBRIDGE

2. The Surety hereby gives its consent to change the Address:

from: \_\_\_\_\_

to: \_\_\_\_\_

3. The Surety hereby gives its consent to change the \_\_\_\_\_

from: \_\_\_\_\_

to: \_\_\_\_\_

This rider shall become effective as of February 18, 2021

PROVIDED, however, that the liability of the Surety under the attached bond as changed by this rider shall not be cumulative.

Signed, sealed and dated June 04, 2021.

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Attorney-in-Fact

Accepted: Tennessee Public Utility Commission  
Obligee

or JOHNSON CITY ENERGY AUTHORITY DBA BRIGHTBRIDGE  
Principal

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_



**Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America**  
**Travelers Casualty and Surety Company**  
**St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company**

**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:** That Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and that the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint **GENE ANDERS** of **JOHNSON CITY Tennessee**, their true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, recognizances, conditional undertakings and other writings obligatory 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**, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed, and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this **17th** day of **January**, 2019.



State of Connecticut

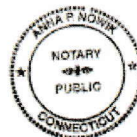
City of Hartford ss.

By:   
Robert L. Raney, Senior Vice President

On this the **17th** day of **January**, 2019, before me personally appeared **Robert L. Raney**, who acknowledged himself to be the Senior Vice President of Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of said Companies by himself as a duly authorized officer.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

My Commission expires the **30th** day of **June**, 2021



  
Anna P. Nowik, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, which resolutions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

**RESOLVED**, 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; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, 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; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, 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; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, 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 on the Company in the future with respect to any bond or understanding to which it is attached.

I, **Kevin E. Hughes**, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which remains in full force and effect.

Dated this **4th** day of **June**, 2021



  
Kevin E. Hughes, Assistant Secretary

**To verify the authenticity of this Power of Attorney, please call us at 1-800-421-3880.**  
**Please refer to the above-named Attorney-in-Fact and the details of the bond to which this Power of Attorney is attached.**

**EXHIBIT M Pre-Filed Testimony of Stacy Evans**

I swear that the foregoing testimony is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Stacy Evans

Stacy Evans

Chief Broadband & Technology Officer

Johnson City Energy Authority dba BrightRidge

Respectfully submitted this 7 day of June, 2021

Notary Public  
State of Tennessee

County of Washington



My commission expires November 3, 2023

Gena Anders