TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION PUBLIC UTILITY SERVICE PROVIDER'S SURETY BOND <u>Limestone Utility Operating Company, LLC</u>

Bond #: RCB0036021

WHEREAS, Limestone Utility Operating Company, LLC ("Principal"), holds a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CCN") with amendments to operate public wastewater utilities in each extended territory approved by the Tennessee Public Utility Commission, subject to the laws of the State of Tennessee and rules and regulations of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission ("Commission") relating to the operation of a public wastewater utility; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Title 65, Chapter 4, Section 201 (e) of the Tennessee Code Annotated, a public utility providing wastewater service is required to post a bond in order to maintain such authority and to ensure the proper operation and maintenance of the public utility, conditioned as prescribed in Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. Chapter 1220-4-13; and

WHEREAS RLI Insurance Company ("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 201 of the Tennessee Code Annotated and Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. Chapter 1220-4-13.

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 201 and Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. Chapter 1220-4-13 in the full amount of Three Hundred Thousand and 00/100 (\$300,000.00) lawful money of the United States of America to be used to enable the continued operation of the public wastewater utility for the full and prompt payment of any monetary obligation imposed against the Principal, its representatives, successors or assigns, in any contested case proceeding brought under Title 65 of Tennessee Code Annotated or by Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. Chapter 1220-4-13 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 19th of January, 2022, 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 Three Hundred Thousand and 00/100 (\$300,000.00). The Surety may cancel this bond by giving sixty (60) days written notice of such cancellation to the Commission 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	SURETY
Limestone Utility Operating Company, LLC Name of Company authorized by the TPUC	RLI Insurance Company Name of Surety
1650 Des Peres Rd., Suite 303, St. Louis, MO 63131 Address of Principal	9025 N. Lindbergh Drive, Peoria, IL 61615 Address of Surety
SIGNATURE OF PRINCIPAL	SIGNATURE OF SURETY AGENT
Name:	Name: Trudy Whitrock
Title:	Title: Attorney-in-Fact
	Address of Surety Agent:
	Charles L. Crane Agency
	100 N. Broadway, Suite 900
	St. Louis, MO 63102

THIS BOND IS ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 201, CHAPTER 4, TITLE 65 OF THE TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED AND TENN. COMP. R. & REGS. CHAPTER 1220-4-13. 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 MIXAGE COUNTY OF St. Los	1 S		
with whom I am personally	acquainted and who, upon	oath, acknowledged	appeared Josiah Coo I himself to be the individual who executed ledged to me that he executed the same.
WITNESS my hand and sea	al this 20th day of Ja	nuary , 20 22	·
My Commission Expires:			. 1
May 4th , 20	DU .	Notary I	Public Public
STATE OF MISSOURI COUNTY OF _ St. Louis	CKNOWLEDGMENT O	F SURETY	DANIEL RYAN JANOWIAK Notary Public, Notary Seal State of Missouri St. Charles County Commission # 20374795 My Commission Expires 05-04-2024
personally acquainted and who, upo behalf of <u>RLI Insurance Company</u> , tand duly authorized by the Tennesse	on oath, acknowledged him the within named Surety, a e Commissioner of Insuran le Annotated, and that he	self to be the individual corporation license nee to engage in the sas such an individua	ppeared <u>Trudy Whitrock</u> with whom I am dual who executed the foregoing bond on d to do business in the State of Tennessee curety business in this state pursuant to Title all being authorized to do so, executed the dividual.
WITNESS my hand and sea	al this <u>19th</u> day of <u>Janu</u>	<u>ary</u> , 20 <u>22</u> .	
My Commission Expires: April 9 4 b, 20	22 2	Dir Chrysteph Notary Put	med _
DAVID CHRISTOPHER JAMES NOTARY PUBLIC - NOTARY SEAL STATE OF MISSOURI COMMISSIONED FOR ST. LOUIS COUNTY MY COMMISSION EXPIRES APR. 09, 2022 ID #18737572 APPROVAL AND ENDORSEMENT			
	orth the penalty thereof, an	d that the same has b	sufficient and in conformity to law, that the een filed with the Tennessee Public Utility
	Nam Title		

POWER OF ATTORNEY

RLI Insurance Company Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company

9025 N. Lindbergh Dr. Peoria, IL 61615 Phone: 800-645-2402

Know All Men by These Presents:

That this Power of Attorney is not valid or in effect unless attached to the bond which it authorizes executed, but may be detached by the approving officer if desired.

approving officer if desired.	
That RLI Insurance Company and/or Contractors Bonding and Intogether, the "Company") do hereby make, constitute and appoint:	surance Company, each an Illinois corporation, (separately and
Theresa A. Hunziker, Gregory L. Stanley, Michael T. Reedy, Linda McCar	rthy Gerald M. Rogers, Harold F. James, Stanhan J. Alabach
Joel Karsten, Karen Speckhals, Cindy Rohr, Terri Hunziker, Christopher J.	O Hagan Brandi I. Bullock Don K Ardolino Kimbarly
Ann Connell, Trudy Whitrock, Michelle Wilson, jointly or severally	9 Tagan, Brands B. Bunock, Bon R. Ardonno, Kimocity
in the City of Saint Louis, State of Missouri	its true and lawful Agent(s) and Attorney(s) in Fact, with
full power and authority hereby conferred, to sign, execute, acknowledge	and deliver for and on its behalf as Surety, in general, any and all
bonds and undertakings in an amount not to exceed	Twenty Five Million Dollars
(\$25,000,000.00) for any single obligation.	
The acknowledgment and execution of such bond by the said Attorney in a executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Compa	Fact chall be as binding upon the Company as if such bond had been my.
RLI Insurance Company and/or Contractors Bonding and Insuran following is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of	ace Company, as applicable, have each further certified that the Directors of each such corporation, and is now in force, to-wit:
"All bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney or other obligation the Company by the President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, Treas of Directors may authorize. The President, any Vice President, Sec Attorneys in Fact or Agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies are is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by face	ons of the corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of urer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board cretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint icies or undertakings in the name of the Company. The corporate provides of Attorney or other obligations of the corporation. The
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the RLI Insurance Company and/or Cont caused these presents to be executed by its respective Vice President February , 2021.	dent with its corporate seal affixed this 19th day of RLI Insurance Company
ONG AND WALLES	Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company
CORPORATE	\mathcal{P}
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SEAL SEAL	Barton W. Davis Vice President
State of Illinois	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
County of Peoria	CERTIFICATE
On this 19th day of February, 2021, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Barton W. Davis, who being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that he signed the above Power of Attorney as the aforesaid officer of the RLI Insurance Company and/or Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said corporation.	I, the undersigned officer of RLI Insurance Company and/or Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the attached Power of Attorney is in full force and effect and is irrevocable; and furthermore, that the Resolution of the Company as set forth in the Power of Attorney, is now in force. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the RLI Insurance Company and/or Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company this 19th day of January 2022
By: Catherred Glover	PI I Insurance Company
Catherine D. Glover Notary Public	RLI Insurance Company Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company
CATHERINE D. GLOVER . OFFICIAL SEAL PUBLIC FORMULE OF THE PUBLIC STATE OF THE PUBLIC	By: Defrey Deficitly Defret Corporate Secretary