

## SECTION 340

### BID BOND

(For a paper bid, one original required of all Bidders with Power of Attorney attached. For an electronic bid, an electronic bid bond will still be accepted if received prior to the bid opening)

**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS**, that we, JAI Construction, LLC as PRINCIPAL, and Markel Insurance Company as Surety, are hereby held and firmly bound unto the DIOCESE OF LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA, as OWNER in the penal sum of Five Percent of the Total Amount Bid DOLLARS (\$ 5%) for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, successors and assigns.

Signed this 14th day of May, 20 25.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the PRINCIPAL has submitted to the DIOCESE OF LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA, a Bid, attached hereto and hereby made a part thereof, to enter into a contract in writing, for the construction of the following project:

Hurricane Laura Storm Repairs – Demolition of Office/CCD & Hall/Storage Buildings  
for St. Henry Catholic Church

#### **NOW THEREFORE,**

- a. If said Bid shall be rejected, or
- b. If said Bid shall be accepted and the PRINCIPAL shall execute and deliver a contract in the Form of Agreement attachment hereto (properly completed in accordance with said Bid) and shall furnish a Bond for faithful performance of said contract, and for the payment of all persons performing labor and furnishing materials in connection therewith, and shall in all other respects perform the Agreement created by the acceptance of said Bid, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise the same shall remain in force and effect; it being expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the Surety for any and all claims hereunder shall, in no event, exceed the penal amount of this obligation as herein stated.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that the obligations of said Surety and its Bond shall be in no way impaired or affected by any extension of the time within which the OWNER may accept such Bid; and said Surety does hereby waive notice of any such extensions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the PRINCIPAL and the Surety have hereunto set their hands and seals, and such of them as are corporations have caused their corporate seals to be hereto affixed and these presents to be signed by their proper officers, the day and year first set forth above.

<u>JAI Construction, LLC</u> PRINCIPAL (BIDDER)	<u>Markel Insurance Company</u> SURETY
ADDRESS: <u>5501 Opelousas Street</u>	ADDRESS: <u>4521 Highwoods Parkway</u>
<u>Lake Charles, LA 70615</u>	<u>Glen Allen, VA 23060</u>
BY: <u>Jena Dupoussau</u> AUTHORIZED OFFICER-OWNER-PARTNER (SEAL)	BY: <u>[Signature]</u> AGENT OR ATTORNEY-IN-FACT
TITLE: <u>Jena Dupoussau, Sole Member</u>	TITLE: <u>Tawanda A. Weatherspoon, Attorney In Fact</u>
SIGNATURE: <u>Dina Granger</u>	SIGNATURE: <u>Paige Borer</u>
WITNESS <u>Dina Granger</u>	WITNESS <u>Paige Borer, Account Manager</u>

**IMPORTANT: Bid Guaranty Bonds:** In accordance with LA R.S. 38:2218.C, all Bid Guaranty Bonds shall be written by a surety or insurance agency currently on the U.S. Department of Treasury Financial Management Service list of approved companies, with at least an A-rating in the latest printing of the A.M. Best's Key Rating Guide or by an insurance company in good standing licensed to write bonds either domiciled in Louisiana or owned by Louisiana residents.

# JOINT LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That SureTec Insurance Company, a Corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas and having its principal office in the County of Harris, Texas and Markel Insurance Company (the "Company"), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the state of Illinois, and having its principal administrative office in Glen Allen, Virginia, does by these presents make, constitute and appoint:

Markham R. McKnight, Charles E. Reagin III, Thomas M. Sandahl, Trent J. Sandahl, Tawanda A. Weatherspoon, Charlotte L. Wright, Stephanie S. McKnight, William G. McKnight, Mary E. Kleinpeter, Rhonda S. Crooks, Edward L. Kinney, Jr., Roxanna S. Borer

Their true and lawful agent(s) and attorney(s)-in-fact, each in their separate capacity if more than one is named above, to make, execute, seal and deliver for and on their own behalf, individually as a surety or jointly, as co-sureties, and as their act and deed any and all bonds and other undertaking in suretyship provided, however, that the penal sum of any one such instrument executed hereunder shall not exceed the sum of:

Fifty Million and 00/100 Dollars (\$50,000,000.00)

This Power of Attorney is granted and is signed and sealed under and by the authority of the following Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of SureTec Insurance Company and Markel Insurance Company:

"RESOLVED, That the President, any Senior Vice President, Vice President, Assistant Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer and each of them hereby is authorized to execute powers of attorney, and such authority can be executed by use of facsimile signature, which may be attested or acknowledged by any officer or attorney, of the company, qualifying the attorney or attorneys named in the given power of attorney, to execute in behalf of, and acknowledge as the act and deed of the SureTec Insurance Company and Markel Insurance Company, as the case may be, all bond undertakings and contracts of suretyship, and to affix the corporate seal thereto."


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Markel Insurance Company and SureTec Insurance Company have caused their official seal to be hereunto affixed and these presents to be signed by their duly authorized officers on the 11th day of April, 2024.

SureTec Insurance Company

By:   
Michael C. Keimig, President



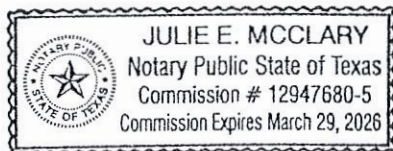
Markel Insurance Company

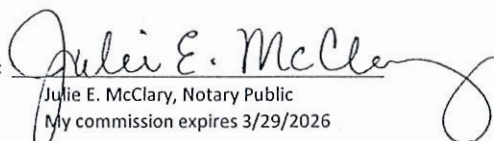
By:   
Lindsey Jennings, Vice President

State of Texas  
County of Harris:

On this 11th day of April, 2024 A. D., before me, a Notary Public of the State of Texas, in and for the County of Harris, duly commissioned and qualified, came THE ABOVE OFFICERS OF THE COMPANIES, to me personally known to be the individuals and officers described in, who executed the preceding instrument, and they acknowledged the execution of same, and being by me duly sworn, disposed and said that they are the officers of the said companies aforesaid, and that the seals affixed to the proceeding instrument are the Corporate Seals of said Companies, and the said Corporate Seals and their signatures as officers were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority and direction of the said companies, and that Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of said Companies referred to in the preceding instrument is now in force.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed my Official Seal at the County of Harris, the day and year first above written.



By:   
Julie E. McClary, Notary Public  
My commission expires 3/29/2026

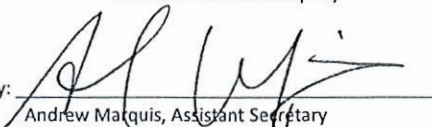
We, the undersigned Officers of SureTec Insurance Company and Markel Insurance Company do hereby certify that the original POWER OF ATTORNEY of which the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy is still in full force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands, and affixed the Seals of said Companies, on the 14th day of May, 2025.

SureTec Insurance Company

By:   
M. Brent Beaty, Assistant Secretary

Markel Insurance Company

By:   
Andrew Marquis, Assistant Secretary