KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT WE, <u>Actual Energy Inc.</u> as Principal, and <u>GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY</u>, a corporation duly organized and doing business under and by the virtue of the laws of the State of Texas and duly licensed for the purpose of making, guaranteeing or becoming sole surety upon bonds or undertakings required or authorized by the laws of the State of New Hampshire, as Surety, are held and firmly bound onto the NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, as Obligee, in the sum of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND 00/100 Dollars (\$100,000.00) for the payment whereof well and truly be made we and each of us bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH that, whereas, the above bounden Principal has made application for a license to the Obligee to offer, render, furnish or supply electricity or electric generation services to the public.

NOW THEREFORE, the Principal must act in accordance with Puc 2003.03 Financial Security Requirements of Competitive Electric Power Suppliers.

NOW THEREFORE, if the Principal shall during the period commencing on the aforesaid date, faithfully observe and honestly comply with such rules, regulations and statutes that are applicable to a Competitive Electric Power Supplier licensed in the State of New Hampshire and deliver electricity at retail in accordance with contracts, agreements, and arrangements, then this obligation shall be void and of no effect.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER,

- The effective date of this bond is April 1, 2021 June 1, 2022. Neither non-renewal by the surety, nor
 failure, nor inability of the Principal to file a replacement bond shall constitute a loss to the Obligee
 recoverable under this bond.
- In the event of default by the Principal, the Surety shall be liable only for damages incurred by Obligee up to the termination date of this bond.
- No claim shall be had or maintained against the Surety on this instrument unless such be brought and
 instituted and no suit shall be maintained against the Surety unless it be brought within six (6) months from
 the termination or expiration date of the bond.
- 4. The New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission may submit a claim if and when the Principal has failed to make required payment(s) and/or payment arrangements in accordance with the terms and conditions of an order issued by the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission during the term of this bond.
- If any conflict or inconsistence exists between the Surety's obligations or undertaking as described in this bond and as described in the underlying obligations, then the terms of this bond shall prevail.
- The aggregate liability of the Surety is limited to the penal sum stated herein regardless of the number or amount of claims brought against this bond and regardless of the number of years this bond remains in force.

Failure to return the bond as descried above shall constitute Obligee's acceptance of the terms and conditions herein.

CORPORATE SEAL

SIGNED AND SEALED THIS 6th day of July, 2021

Actual Energy Inc

GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY

Laure Scholme Attenues in Frank

Laura Scholze, Attorney-in-Fact

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Great Midwest Insurance Company

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that **GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY**, a Texas Corporation, with its principal office in Houston, TX, does hereby constitute and appoint:

Michael B. Christian, Rosemary Petitti, Laura Scholze, Justin J. Silva, Courtney W. Judge, Mai-Ling Rodriguez

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-In-Fact to make, execute, seal and deliver for, and on its behalf as surety, any and all bonds, undertakings or other writings obligatory in nature of a bond.

This authority is made under and by the authority of a resolution which was passed by the Board of Directors of GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY, on the 1st day of October, 2018 as follows:

Resolved, that the President, or any officer, be and hereby is, authorized to appoint and empower any representative of the Company or other person or persons as Attorney-In-Fact to execute on behalf of the Company any bonds, undertakings, policies, contracts of indemnity or other writings obligatory in nature of a bond not to exceed Ten Million dollars (\$10,000,000.00), which the Company might execute through its duly elected officers, and affix the seal of the Company thereto. Any said execution of such documents by an Attorney-In-Fact shall be as binding upon the Company as if they had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company. Any Attorney-In-Fact, so appointed, may be removed in the Company's sole discretion and the authority so granted may be revoked as specified in the Power of Attorney.

Resolved, that the signature of the President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted, and the signature of the Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power and any such power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company. Any such power so executed and sealed and certificate so executed and sealed shall, with respect to any bond of undertaking to which it is attached, continue to be valid and binding on the Company.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY, has caused this instrument to be signed by its President, and its Corporate Seal to be affixed this 11th day of February, 2021.



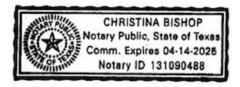
GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY

Mark W. Haushill President

Hank W. Hand

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On this 11th day of February, 2021, before me, personally came Mark W. Haushill to me known, who being duly sworn, did depose and say that he is the President of **GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY**, the corporation described in and which executed the above instrument; that he executed said instrument on behalf of the corporation by authority of his office under the By-laws of said corporation.



Christina Bishop Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Secretary of GREAT MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY, A Texas Insurance Company, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the original Power of Attorney of which the foregoing is a true and correct copy, is in full force and effect and has not been revoked and the resolutions as set forth are now in force.

Signed and Sealed at Houston, TX this 6 Day of July 20_21



Leslie K. Shaunty

Secretary

"WARNING: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person, files and application for insurance of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.