

Bid FORM

Merced, California

**Merced City School District
Facilities Department
2105 Wardrobe Avenue
Merced, CA 95341**

Dear Board Members:

The undersigned doing business under the firm name of:

Creekside Commercial Builders Inc.

hereby propose and agree to enter into a Contract, to furnish any and all labor, materials, applicable taxes, equipment and services for the completion of Work described hereinafter and in the Contract Documents:

**Merced City School District 26th Street MARS/ELO-P Facility
Increments No. 1 & No. 2
Bid # 2025-6**

prepared by:

**TETER, LLP
7535 N Palm Ave, STE 201
Fresno, CA 93711
(559) 437-0887**

Base Bid:

eight million seven hundred ~~thirty~~ two thousand nine Dollars
hundred twenty
(\$ 00, 722, 920)

Bidder acknowledges and agrees that the Base Bid accounts for all items in contract documents.

For informational purposes, Bidder shall provide the following Sub-Totals for use by the District. In the event that the tabulated total of the following sub-totals does not match the Base Bid stipulated above, the Base Bid stipulated above shall govern and be the basis of evaluation for the Award of the Contract.

If written notice of the Award of Contract is mailed, faxed, or delivered to the undersigned at any time before this bid is withdrawn, the undersigned shall, within ten (10) days after the date of such mailing, faxing, or delivering of such notice, execute and deliver an agreement in the form of agreement present in these Contract Documents and give Performance and Payment Bonds in accordance with the specifications and bid as accepted.

The undersigned hereby designates as the office to which such Notice of Award of Contract may be mailed, faxed, or delivered:

3131 Peacekeeper Way STE. 400
McClellan, CA 95652

Our Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance is placed with:
Hartford Fire Insurance Company

Our Workers' Compensation Insurance is placed with:
Sentinel Insurance Company

Circular letters, bulletins, addenda, etc., bound with the specifications or issued during the time of bidding are included in the bid, and, in completing the Contract, they are to become a part thereof.

The receipt of the following addenda to the specifications is acknowledged:

Addendum No. 1 Date 1-29-2026 Addendum No. Date

Addendum No. 2 Date 2/12/2026 Addendum No. Date

Addendum No. 3 Date 2/16/2026 Addendum No. Date

This bid may be withdrawn at any time prior to the scheduled time for the opening of bids or any authorized postponement thereof.

A bidder shall not submit a bid unless the bidder's California contractor's license number appears clearly on the bid, the license expiration date and class are stated, and the bid contains a statement that the representations made therein are made under penalty of perjury. Any bid submitted by a contractor who is not licensed pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 7028.15 shall be considered nonresponsive and shall be rejected. Any bid not containing the above information may be considered nonresponsive and may be rejected.

NOTE: Each bid must give the full business address of the bidder and be signed by bidder with bidder's usual signature. Bids by partnerships must furnish the full name of all partners and must be signed in the partnership name by a general partner with authority to bind the partnership in such matters,

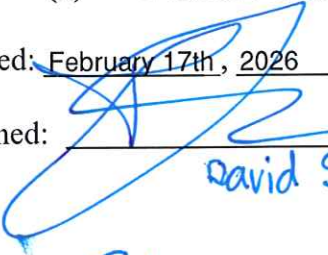
followed by the signature and designation of the person signing. The name of the person signing shall also be typed or printed below the signature. Bids by corporations must be signed with the legal name of the corporation, followed by the name of the state of incorporation and by the signature and designation of the chairman of the board, president or any vice president, and then followed by a second signature by the secretary, assistant secretary, the chief financial officer or assistant treasurer. All persons signing must be authorized to bind the corporation in the matter. The name of each person signing shall also be typed or printed below the signature. Satisfactory evidence of the authority of the officer signing on behalf of a corporation shall be furnished.

The undersigned declares under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the representations made in this bid are true and correct.

Print or Type Name : David Sosner
Title: President
Name of Company as Licensed: Creekside Commercial Builders Inc.
Business Address: 3131 Peacekeeper Way STE. 400
McClellan, CA 95652
Telephone & Fax Number: P: 916-783-8080 F: 916-783-9064
DIR Registration Number & Classification: #1000007395
Email Address: dave@creeksideinc.net
California Contractor License No.: #925942
Class and Expiration Date: A & B Exp: 12-31-2026
State of Incorporation, if Applicable: California

(x) Evidence of authority to bind corporation is attached.

Dated: February 17th, 2026

Signed: , President

David Sosner

Signed:  Secretary

Elizabeth Sosner

**ACTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
CREEKSIDE COMMERCIAL BUILDERS, INC.
WITHOUT FIRST MEETING**

Pursuant to California Corporations Code Section 307(b), the undersigned, being all of the members of the Board of Directors of CREEKSIDE COMMERCIAL BUILDERS, INC., a California corporation, consent by this writing to adopt and do hereby adopt the following resolutions as of the date hereof:

1. RESOLVED that the Bylaws adopted by the Incorporator of this corporation are approved; and

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that the Secretary of this corporation is authorized and directed to execute a certificate of the adoption of those Bylaws and to insert those Bylaws as so certified in the minute book of this corporation, and to cause a copy of those Bylaws, as they may be amended from time to time, to be kept and maintained at the principal executive office of this corporation, in accordance with Section 213 of the California Corporations Code.

2. RESOLVED that the following named persons are elected to the office set forth opposite their names:

PRESIDENT	Dave Sosner
SECRETARY	Elizabeth Sosner
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	Dave Sosner

and that the above officers shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors, subject to any rights an officer may have under an employment contract with the corporation.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that for the purposes of giving any reports or executing any documents requiring the signature of the "Treasurer," the Chief Financial Officer is deemed to be also the Treasurer of this corporation.

FINGERPRINTING NOTICE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT
(Education Code Section 45125.2(a))

Note: This document must be executed and submitted with the bid.

Business entities entering into contracts with the Owner for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or repair of a facility must comply with Education Code sections 45125.1 and 45125.2. Such entities are responsible for ensuring full compliance with the law and should therefore review all applicable statutes and regulations. The following information is provided simply to assist such entities with compliance with the law.

1. If the Owner determines your employee(s) will have more than limited contact with students, then you must take one or more of the following steps:
 - a. Install a physical barrier at the worksite to limit contact with pupils.
 - b. Have an employee, who the Department of Justice has ascertained has not been convicted of a violent or serious felony, continually monitor and supervise employees. The entity shall verify in the Independent Contractor Student Contact Form to the Owner that the employee charged with monitoring and supervising its employees has no such convictions. (See attached.)
 - c. Arrange, with Owner's approval, for surveillance by Owner's personnel.

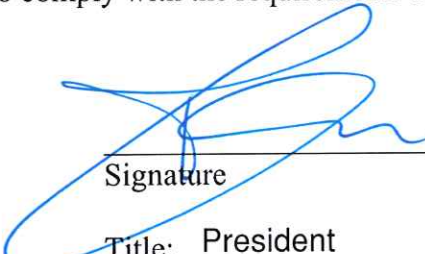
If one or more of these steps is taken, you are not required to comply with Education Code section 45125.1.

2. If you are providing the services in an emergency or exceptional situation, you are not required to comply with Education Code section 45125.2. An "emergency or exceptional" situation is one in which pupil health or safety is endangered or when repairs are needed to make a facility safe and habitable. Owner shall determine whether an emergency or exceptional situation exists.

I have read the foregoing and agree to comply with the requirements of Education Code §§ 45125.1 and 45125.2 as applicable.

Dated: 2/17/2026

Name: David Sosner


Signature
Title: President

ATTACHMENT

Under Education Code section 45125.1, no employee of a contractor or subcontractor who has been convicted of or has criminal proceedings pending for a violent or serious felony may come into contact with any student. A violent felony is any felony listed in subdivision (c) of Section 667.5 of the Penal Code. Those felonies are presently defined as:

- (1) Murder or voluntary manslaughter.
- (2) Mayhem.
- (3) Rape as defined in paragraph (2) or (6) of subdivision (a) of Section 261 or paragraph (1) or (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 262.
- (4) Sodomy as defined in subdivision (c) or (d) of Section 286.
- (5) Oral copulation as defined in subdivision (c) or (d) of Section 288a.
- (6) Lewd or lascivious act as defined in subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 288.
- (7) Any felony punishable by death or imprisonment in the state prison for life.
- (8) Any felony in which the defendant inflicts great bodily injury on any person other than an accomplice which has been charged and proved as provided for in Section 12022.7, 12022.8, or 12022.9 on or after July 1, 1977, or as specified prior to July 1, 1977, in Sections 213, 264, and 461, or any felony in which the defendant uses a firearm which use has been charged and proved as provided in subdivision (a) of Section 12022.3, or Section 12022.5 or 12022.55.
- (9) Any robbery.
- (10) Arson, in violation of subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 451.
- (11) Sexual penetration as defined in subdivision (a) or (j) of Section 289.
- (12) Attempted murder.
- (13) A violation of Section 18745, 18750, or 18755.
- (14) Kidnapping.
- (15) Assault with the intent to commit a specified felony, in violation of Section 220.
- (16) Continuous sexual abuse of a child, in violation of Section 288.5.

- (17) Carjacking, as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 215.
- (18) Rape, spousal rape, or sexual penetration, in concert, in violation of Section 264.1.
- (19) Extortion, as defined in Section 518, which would constitute a felony violation of Section 186.22 of the Penal Code.
- (20) Threats to victims or witnesses, as defined in Section 136.1, which would constitute a felony violation of Section 186.22 of the Penal Code.
- (21) Any burglary of the first degree, as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 460, wherein it is charged and proved that another person, other than an accomplice, was present in the residence during the commission of the burglary.
- (22) Any violation of Section 12022.53.
- (23) A violation of subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 11418.

A serious felony is any felony listed in subdivision (c) Section 1192.7 of the Penal Code. Those felonies are presently defined as:

- (1) Murder or voluntary manslaughter; (2) Mayhem; (3) Rape; (4) Sodomy by force, violence, duress, menace, threat of great bodily injury, or fear of immediate and unlawful bodily injury on the victim or another person; (5) Oral copulation by force, violence, duress, menace, threat of great bodily injury, or fear of immediate and unlawful bodily injury on the victim or another person; (6) Lewd or lascivious act on a child under the age of 14 years; (7) Any felony punishable by death or imprisonment in the state prison for life; (8) Any felony in which the defendant personally inflicts great bodily injury on any person, other than an accomplice, or any felony in which the defendant personally uses a firearm; (9) Attempted murder; (10) Assault with intent to commit rape, or robbery; (11) Assault with a deadly weapon or instrument on a peace officer; (12) Assault by a life prisoner on a non-inmate; (13) Assault with a deadly weapon by an inmate; (14) Arson; (15) Exploding a destructive device or any explosive with intent to injure; (16) Exploding a destructive device or any explosive causing bodily injury, great bodily injury, or mayhem; (17) Exploding a destructive device or any explosive with intent to murder; (18) Any burglary of the first degree; (19) Robbery or bank robbery; (20) Kidnapping; (21) Holding of a hostage by a person confined in a state prison; (22) Attempt to commit a felony punishable by death or imprisonment in the state prison for life; (23) Any felony in which the defendant personally used a dangerous or deadly weapon; (24) Selling, furnishing, administering, giving, or offering to sell, furnish, administer, or give to a minor any heroin, cocaine, phencyclidine (PCP), or any

methamphetamine-related drug, as described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 11055 of the Health and Safety Code, or any of the precursors of methamphetamines, as described in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (f) of Section 11055 or subdivision (a) of Section 11100 of the Health and Safety Code; (25) Any violation of subdivision (a) of Section 289 where the act is accomplished against the victim's will by force, violence, duress, menace, or fear of immediate and unlawful bodily injury on the victim or another person; (26) Grand theft involving a firearm; (27) carjacking; (28) any felony offense, which would also constitute a felony violation of Section 186.22; (29) assault with the intent to commit mayhem, rape, sodomy, or oral copulation, in violation of Section 220; (30) throwing acid or flammable substances, in violation of Section 244; (31) assault with a deadly weapon, firearm, machine gun, assault weapon, or semiautomatic firearm or assault on a peace officer or firefighter, in violation of Section 245; (32) assault with a deadly weapon against a public transit employee, custodial officer, or school employee, in violation of Sections 245.2, 245.3, or 245.5; (33) discharge of a firearm at an inhabited dwelling, vehicle, or aircraft, in violation of Section 246; (34) commission of rape or sexual penetration in concert with another person, in violation of Section 264.1; (35) continuous sexual abuse of a child, in violation of Section 288.5; (36) shooting from a vehicle, in violation of subdivision (c) or (d) of Section 26100; (37) intimidation of victims or witnesses, in violation of Section 136.1; (38) criminal threats, in violation of Section 422; (39) any attempt to commit a crime listed in this subdivision other than an assault; (40) any violation of Section 12022.53; (41) a violation of subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 11418; and (42) any conspiracy to commit an offense described in this subdivision.

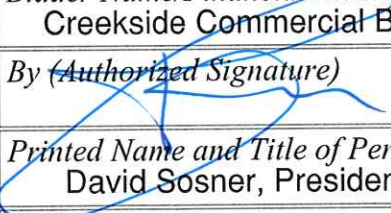
IRAN CONTRACTING ACT CERTIFICATION
(Public Contract Code sections 2202-2208)

Note: This document must be executed and submitted with the bid.

As required by Public Contract Code ("PCC") section 2204 for contracts of \$1,000,000 or more, please insert bidder's or financial institution's name and Federal ID Number (if available) and complete **one** of the options below. Please note that California law establishes penalties for providing false certifications, including civil penalties equal to the greater of \$250,000 or twice the amount of the contract for which the false certification was made; contract termination; and three-year ineligibility to bid on contracts. (PCC §2205.)

OPTION #1 - CERTIFICATION

I, the official named below, certify I am duly authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the bidder/financial institution identified below, and the bidder/financial institution identified below is **not** on the current list of persons engaged in investment activities in Iran created by California Department of General Services ("DGS") and is not a financial institution extending twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) or more in credit to another person/bidder, for 45 days or more, if that other person/bidder 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. (PCC §2204(a).)

<i>Bidder Name/Financial Institution (Printed)</i> Creekside Commercial Builders Inc.		<i>Federal ID Number (or n/a)</i> 38-3790182
<i>By (Authorized Signature)</i> 		
<i>Printed Name and Title of Person Signing</i> David Sosner, President		
<i>Date Executed</i> 2/17/2026	<i>Executed in</i> McClellan, CA	

OPTION #2 – EXEMPTION

Pursuant to Public Contract Code sections 2203(c) and (d), a public entity may permit a bidder/financial institution engaged in investment activities in Iran, on a case-by-case basis, to be eligible for, or to bid on, submit a proposal for, or enters into or renews, a contract for goods and services. If you have obtained an exemption from the certification requirement under the Iran Contracting Act, please fill out the information below, and attach documentation demonstrating the exemption approval.

<i>Bidder Name/Financial Institution (Printed)</i>		<i>Federal ID Number (or n/a)</i>
<i>By (Authorized Signature)</i>		
<i>Printed Name and Title of Person Signing</i>		<i>Date Executed</i>

NONCOLLUSION DECLARATION

TO BE EXECUTED BY BIDDER AND SUBMITTED WITH BID

Owner: Merced City School District

Project: Merced City School District 26th Street MARS/ELO-P Facility
Increments No. 1 & No. 2
Bid # 2025-6

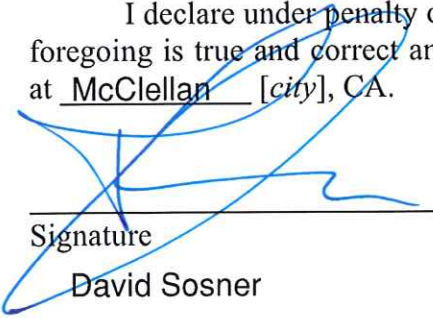
The undersigned declares:

I am the President of Creekside Commercial Builders Inc., 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 February 17th, 2026, at McClellan [city], CA.



Signature

David Sosner

Print Name

DESIGNATION OF SUBCONTRACTORS

Note: This document must be executed and submitted with the bid.

Each bidder shall set forth below the name and the location of the place of business of each subcontractor and the California contractor license number of each subcontractor who will perform work or labor or render service to the Contractor in or about the construction of the Work or improvement, or to a subcontractor licensed by the State of California who, under subcontract to the Contractor, specially fabricates and installs a portion of the Work or improvement according to detailed drawings contained in the plans and specifications, in an amount in excess of one-half of 1 percent (0.5%) of the bidder's total bid, and the portion of the Work which will be done by each subcontractor. An inadvertent error in listing a California contractor's license number shall not be grounds for filing a bid protest or for considering the bid nonresponsive if the bidder submits the corrected contractor's license number to the Owner within 24 hours after the bid opening, or any continuation thereof, so long as the corrected contractor's license number corresponds to the submitted name and location for that subcontractor.

If the Contractor fails to specify a subcontractor for any portion of the Work to be performed under the Contract in excess of one-half of 1 percent (0.5%) of the Contractor's total bid, the Contractor shall be deemed to have agreed to perform such portion itself, and shall not be permitted to subcontract that portion of the Work except under the conditions hereinafter set forth.

Subletting or subcontracting of any portion of the Work as to which no subcontractor was designated in the original bid shall only be permitted in cases of public emergency or necessity, and then only after a finding reduced to writing as a public record of the legislative body of the Owner.

As of March 1, 2015, for any bid proposal submitted, and as of April 1, 2015, for any contract for public work entered into, an inadvertent error in listing a subcontractor who is not registered under Labor Code section 1725.5 shall not be grounds for filing a bid protest or grounds for considering the bid nonresponsive, provided that either: the subcontractor is registered prior to the bid opening; or the subcontractor is registered and has paid the penalty registration fee specified in Labor Code section 1725.5(a)(2)(E), if applicable, within 24 hours after the bid opening; or the subcontractor is replaced by another registered subcontractor under Public Contract Code section 4107. Failure of a listed subcontractor to be registered shall be grounds under Public Contract Code section 4107 for the Contractor, with the Owner's consent, to substitute a registered subcontractor for the unregistered subcontractor.

Failure to provide this information in a legible manner may result in the rejection of an otherwise acceptable bid.

NOTE: *Reproduce page two of this section for additional listings needed beyond the length of this form.*

	Portion of Work	Name of Subcontractor & Phone No.	Location of Subcontractor	CA Contractor License Number and License Class	DIR # & Classification	Email Address
2	~~Cabinets, counter tops~~	~~Elite wood design, inc.~~	~~Rancho Cordova, CA~~	~~931500 A, C6~~	~~1000042162 D5~~	~~ding@elitewooddesign.com~~
5	~~windows, storefront hardware, glazing~~	~~AAC glass inc.~~	~~Hayward, CA~~	~~1004201 C17~~	~~1000063333 D5~~	~~APC@aacglassinc.com~~
10	~~Drywall~~	~~new west partitions~~	~~Sacramento, CA~~	~~723392 B~~	~~100004081 D5~~	~~finac@nwpt.com~~
7	Cabinets / counter tops	B-K Mill & Fixtures Inc.	Newark, CA	428941 C6	100003002	jk.bkmill@bkmill.com
8	roof, metal wall panels, soffit panels	RVA & Sons Mechanical Inc.	Rocklin, CA	810590 B, C20, C23, C24	1000002600	Fernando@rva-inc.com
9	acoustical ceilings	Acoustical Engineers of California	Farmerot, CA	443001 C62 D5	1000028940 D5	wardtwe@amail.com
10	Food Service equipment	Avanti Restaurant Solutions Inc.	Costa Mesa, CA	10023801 B	1000576025	mm@avanticorporate.com
11	Painting	Joaquin Painting Inc.	Ceres, CA	489147 C33	1000019732	Sales@joaquinpainting.com
12	~~carpet, sealed concrete, polished concrete, epoxy floor~~	~~Pro-Maintenance Inc. 800-Protecta~~	~~Union City, CA~~	~~740092 C15, C54, C67, B12~~	~~100002210 D5~~	~~ben.friede@protecta.com~~
13	elevators	Phoenix Modular Elevator	Mount Vernon, IL			ltennylon@phoenixmodularelevator.com
14	fire sprinkler	JR Wagner Fire Protection	Modesto, CA	908003 C10	1000001980	jon@jrwagnerfire.com
15	plumbing	Summit Plumbing and Mechanical	Modesto, CA	801120 B, C6, C12, C20, C43	100002752 D5	frat@summitplumbing.com
16	metal decking	Cal Decking and Steel	Antioch, CA	1123331 C51	2000008241	salvatorvilliam@gmail.com
17	concrete	Explicite Concrete Construction Inc.	Fresno, CA	1125857 C8 D5	2000004400 D5	expliciteconcrete.com
18	site structural concrete, grading, retaining wall, irrigation, site prep	Structural General Engineering	Oakdale, CA	810093 A, B, C15	100002066 D5	
19	doors, frames, hardware	K&S Construction	Modesto, CA	1048004 B, C1, C12, C13, C14, C15	1000003244 D5	A.landingham@kcsconstruction.com
20	Fences & gates	AAA Fence Company Inc.	Hollister, CA	522702 A, C13	1000002524	Scott@AAAFence.com
21	Masonry	DW Longan Masonry	Fresno, CA	990031 C29 D5	1000002470 D5	daniel@dwtmasonry.com
22	sealed & polished concrete	Pacific Decorative Concrete Inc.	Sacramento, CA	818710 C8	1000000108	Phuoh@pacificdecorative.com
23	plumbing	Johnson Plumbing Industrial Inc.	Merced, CA	526080 C30	1000000159	bude@johnsonindustrial.net
24	metal wall panels	DAC Service Inc. dba Pac c's construction	Fresno, CA	908274 B, C20, C23, C43, C51	1000002024	estimating@fourcsmetal.com
25	HVAC	Sakam Mechanical	Millitas, CA	490001 C20 D5	100096932 D5	Heinette@gsair.com
26	grading, paving, signs, wet utilities	Structural General Engineering Construction Inc.	Oakdale, CA	818713 A, B, C3	1000002055	Tborb@scinclairconstructioninc.com
27	Landscaping	Elite Landscaping Construction Inc.	Clovis, CA	907955 C27	1000008210	Steven@eliteteamoffices.com
28	Site & structural concrete	Vale M&O Concrete Inc.	Fresno, CA	1022377 C8	1000053740	Vbconcreteinc@gmail.com
29	Masonry	John Jackson Masonry	Sacramento, CA	255203 C29	1000000334	admin@johnjacksonmasonry.com
30	Electrical	Dynamic Electric Contractors & Control Inc.	Merced, CA	925014 C10	1000006034	Patrick@dynamic-electrical.org
31	structural steel & decking	Iron Industries Inc.	Hanford, CA	851744 C51	1000042278	Rod@ironindustriesinc.com
32	stone fronts & windows	Norcal Glass	Sonoma, CA	808006 C17	1000004806	jacan@norcalglass.com
33	HVAC	AMS Heating Inc.	Stockton, CA	707349 C20, C23, C36, C4	1000002180	donavan@amsheatinginc.com

24	drywall & metal framing	DS	Jackson Young drywall inc. SSA 944.444	DS	Floral, CA	DS	1020018 B, CA	DS	1000050320	Jackson Young drywall @youthoo.com
25	Acoustic ceiling		Accomplished ceilings 916.475.2100		Sacramento, CA		112484 Col/DSB		2000004887	info@accomplished ceilings.co
26	storefronts & windows		Atascadero glass LLC 805.462.2104		Atascadero, CA		452052 B, CA		100000240	mFederman@ atascaderoglass.com
27	Doors Frames Hardware		Interior wood specialties 209 890 7010		Modesto, CA		714609 CO		100011674	mcardrey @ flwcdks.com
28	Operable Partitions		alcal specialties contracting 916.266.5353		Sacramento, CA		315286 B, Col 1228		100000315	nick.evans@ alcal.com
29	drywall & metal framing		V-neac Framing & drywall 916.435.8740		Yancho cordova, CA		607764 B, CA CSE		100002640	mike@v-neac.com

I am the authorized representative of the Bidder submitting this Designation of Subcontractors and I declare that each subcontractor listed holds a valid and current contractor license in good standing in California to perform the portion of work for which the subcontractor is listed.

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 February 17th, 2026, at McClellan [city], CA.

Signature: _____

Print Name: David Sosner

Title: President

**PRIME BIDDER CERTIFICATION OF DISABLED VETERAN
BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION**

To be completed by the Prime Bidder

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PART I – IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION		
BIDDER'S NAME Creekside Commercial Builders, Inc.	BUSINESS ADDRESS 3131 Peacekeeper Way, Ste 400 McClellan, California 95652	TELEPHONE NUMBER 916-783-8080
SCHOOL DISTRICT Merced City School District	COUNTY Merced	APPLICATION NO. 02-123377

PART II – METHOD OF COMPLIANCE WITH DVBE PARTICIPATION GOALS – Include this form and any other applicable documents listed in this table with your bid/proposal. Read the three columns in the table below as sentences from left to right. Check the appropriate box to indicate your method of committing the contract dollar amount.

NOTE: *Architectural, engineering, environmental, land surveying or construction management firms must indicate their method of compliance by marking the appropriate box A, B, C, or D after selection by the District and before the contract is signed.*

YOUR BUSINESS ENTERPRISE	AND YOU	AND YOU
A. ☐ <i>is Disabled Veteran owned and your forces, will perform at least 3 percent of this contract</i>	<i>will include a copy of your DVBE letter from the Office of Small Business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Services (OSDS).</i>	
B. ☐ <i>is Disabled Veteran owned but is unable to perform the 3 percent of this contract with your forces</i>	<i>will use DVBE subcontractors/suppliers to bring the contract participation to at least 3 percent</i>	<i>will include a copy of each DVBE's letter from OSDS (including yours, if applicable).</i>
C. ☒ <i>is not Disabled Veteran owned</i>	<i>will use DVBE subcontractors/suppliers for at least 3 percent of this contract</i>	
D. ☐ <i>is unable to meet the required participation goals</i>	<i>will complete a Good Faith Effort to obtain DVBE participation</i>	<i>will include the Prime Bidder's Good Faith Effort Worksheet.</i>

Note: An Office of Small Business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Services (OSDS) letter must be attached for each DVBE participating in the contract. The DVBE letter is obtained by application through the OSDS and must be provided at the time of bid opening. If the letter is not provided, the bid may be deemed nonresponsive and may be ineligible for award of the contract.

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PART III – DVBE DOLLAR PARTICIPATION OF BID/PROPOSAL – Architectural, engineering, environmental, land surveying or construction management firms complete this part after selection by the district and before the contract is signed.

Show deductive alternate(s) in parenthesis. For more alternates/base bids, use a separate page to show items.

- A. If your business enterprise is a DVBE, list in the appropriate column the total dollar amount of your bid to be performed by your own participation.
- B. List all your DVBE subcontractors/suppliers. Enter in the appropriate column the dollar amount for each of your subcontractors/suppliers.
- C. Enter the total of Lines A and B for each column.
- D. Enter the dollar amount of the bid/proposal to be performed by non-DVBE firms. Note: This line is the sum of the prime and subcontractor(s) non-DVBE dollar participation.
- E. Enter the sum of the column totals from Line C and Line D. Note: Please be aware that the final determination of DVBE compliance is made based on the contract amount resulting from the district's acceptance or rejection of alternates.

	BASE BID/PROPOSAL	ALTERNATE #1	ALTERNATE #2	ALTERNATE #3 OR BASE BID B	ALTERNATE #4 OR BASE BID C	ALTERNATE #5 (Modernization or Reconstruction Only)
A. Prime Bidder, if DVBE (own participation)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
B. DVBE Subcontractor or Supplier	294,627					
1.	294,627					
2.						
3.						
4.						
C. Subtotal (A & B)	294,627					
D. Non-DVBE	843,8293					
E. Total Bid	8,732,920					

PRIME BIDDER GOOD FAITH EFFORT WORKSHEET

This worksheet is to be used to assist the Prime Bidder in meeting the 3% DVBE participation goal

PAGE 1 OF 2

BIDDER'S NAME Creekside Commercial Builders, Inc.	BUSINESS ADDRESS 3131 Peacekeeper Way, Ste 400 McClellan, California 95652	CONTACT PERSON Holly Kuchenthal
TELEPHONE NUMBER 916-783-8080	OWNER Merced City School District	COUNTY Merced County

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

This worksheet is to be used to assist you in meeting the 3 percent DVBE participation goal. If specific information is not provided for Parts I through III, you do not meet the test of the "Good Faith Effort" and cannot so certify. If you are qualifying based on a "Good Faith Effort" you must include this form with your bid/proposal to the Owner.

PART I – CONTACTS

To identify DVBE subcontractors/suppliers for participation in your bid/proposal, contact must be made with each of the following categories. It is recommended that you contact several DVBE organizations.

CATEGORY	TELEPHONE NUMBER	DATE CONTACTED	PERSON CONTACTED
1. Owner	(209) 385-6332	2/13/26	Holly Alcorn (left message)
2. Office of Small Business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Services (OSDS). OSDS provides assistance locating DVBE's at https://caleprocure.ca.gov/pages/PublicSearch/suppliersearch.aspx	(916) 375-4940	2/4/26	Online Database
3. DVBE Organizations (<i>List</i>):			
VetServ - County of Merced	vetserv@countyofmerced.com	2/11/26	VetServ - County of Merced
American Legion Post 83	post83@comcast.net	2/11/26	American Legion Post 83
Additionally, DVBE businesses. See attached.			
4. Write "recorded message" in this column, if applicable.			

PART II – ADVERTISEMENTS You must make at least two (2) advertisements, one (1) in a paper that focuses on DVBE and one (1) in a trade paper. Advertisements should be published at least 14 days prior to bid/proposal opening; if you cannot advertise 14 days prior, advertise as soon as possible and provide an explanation. (Advertisements must be published in time to allow for a reasonable response). Advertisements must include that your firm is seeking DVBE participation, the project name and location, your firm's name, your firm's contact person, and phone number.

Attach copies of advertisements to this form.

FOCUS/TRADE PAPER NAME	CHECK ONE		DATE OF ADVERTISEMENT
	TRADE	FOCUS	
DBE GoodFaith		X	2/4/26
DBE Journal	X		2/4/26
Note: Advertisement was made as soon as a thorough plan review was completed (13 days prior), which allowed us to breakout the project into more accessible trades for DVBE participation.			

PART III – DVBE SOLICITATIONS List DVBE subcontractors/suppliers that were invited to bid. Use the following instructions to complete the remainder of this section (read the three columns as a sentence from left to right). If you need additional space to list DVBE solicitations, please use a separate page and attach to this form.

IF THE DVBE.....	THEN.....	AND.....
Was selected to participate	Check "yes" in the "SELECTED" column, include the applicable dollar amount in Part III of the Prime Bidder Certification	Include a copy of their DVBE letter from OSDs.
Was not selected to participate	Check "no" in the "SELECTED" column	State why in the "REASON NOT SELECTED" column.
Did not respond to your solicitation	Check the "NO RESPONSE" column	

DISABLED VETERANS BUSINESS ENTERPRISES CONTACTED	SELECTED		REASON NOT SELECTED <i>This section must be completed</i>	NO RESPONSE
	YES	NO		
See attached.				

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Please be aware that certification of the "Good Faith Effort" may only be made if you fully complete Parts I, II, and III on both sides of this form. A copy of this form must be retained by you and may be subject to a future audit.

CERTIFICATION

I, David Sosner, President certify that I am the bidder's Chief Executive Officer and that I have made a diligent effort to ascertain the facts with regard to the representations made herein. In making this certification, I am aware of Section 12650 et seq. of the Government Code providing for the imposition of treble damages for making false claims.

SIGNATURE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

DATE

2/13/26

PART III – DVBE SOLICITATIONS

DVBE Enterprise Contacted	Selected		Reason Not Selected	No Response
	Yes	No		
A C Paving				X
Ainor Signs				X
All-Star Plumbing Solutions, LLC				X
ALPHA PRO MANAGEMENT INC.				X
American Plumbing Systems, Inc.				X
AMERINE SYSTEMS INC				X
Anthem Builders Inc.				X
Aragon Electric				X
ARKTOS INCORPORATED				X
ARTEMIS BUILDING CO				X
B J FLOORING INC				X
BAILEY'S TRENCHLESS INC				X
BHP Contracting				X
Blake electric inc				X
Borden Steel and Equipment Inc.				X
CARROLLCO INC				X
Central California Electronics, Inc.				X
City Concrete & Masonry DBA Pereira Building Industries				X

Common Ground Electric, Inc.				X
CONVERSE CONSTRUCTION INC				X
COOPER ENERGY SERVICES INC				X
CSRW, Inc Dba Allied Construction Services				X
CVE Demolition, Inc.				X
DMS BKL Drywall Interior Systems Inc				X
Docon Inc. DBA US Interior Specialties				X
ELLIS FLOORING INC				X
Fluellen Construction Project Services				X
GEVEDEN INDUSTRIAL INC.				X
Grassroots Erosion Control				X
Greco Mechanical				X
Innovative Utility Solutions Inc.				X
INTRICATE COATINGS INC				X
James Day Construction, Inc.				X
JAMES ULM				X
JEFFCO PAINTING & COATING INC				X
Johnson Controls Building Solutions LLC				X
JOSE MORENO				X
Johnson Plumbing Industrial, Inc.				X
Justin Brown				X

L&L ELECTRICAL INC				X
Low Voltage Specialist LLC				X
Mag-Con General Engineering				X
Meta Drywall Interior Systems Inc				X
Monterey Structural Steel Inc.				X
Mr Flagpole		x	Price not competitive	
Overhead Door Company of Sacramento				X
P.T.S. Masonry Inc.				X
Picture Painting & Decorating				X
Pronesti Enviro Inc.				X
Team EES, Inc.				X

Creekside Commercial Builders Inc.
3131 Peacekeeper Way, STE 400
McClellan Park, CA 95952
Tel: (916) 546-1389
Fax: (000) 000-0000

Ad Proofs

Project Name: Merced City School District 26th Street
MARS/ELO-P Facility

Contract/Bid #: 2025-6

Awarding Agency: Merced City School District

Focus Journal Ad

Publication: DBE GoodFaith (DBEGoodFaith.com)

Published On: 02/04/2026 @ 02:22:10 PM Pacific

Expired On: 02/17/2026 @ 11:59:59 PM Pacific

Message Notifications Sent To: estimating@creeksideinc.net

Published At: https://dbegoodfaith.com/item.php?item_type=ads&ad_adid=66801

Creekside Commercial Builders Inc.

is seeking qualified DVBEs

Project Name

Merced City School District 26th Street MARS/ELO-P Facility

Bid/Contract #

2025-6

Awarding Agency

Merced City School District

Project Location

Merced, Merced County, CA

Bid Date

02/17/2026 at 02:00

Project Details

We are seeking quotes from certified DVBE Subcontractors or Suppliers for Erosion Control, Surveying, Final Clean, Demolition, Concrete, Steel, Millwork, Waterproofing, Insulation, Roofing, Sheet Metal, Expansion Joints, Doors, Windows, Lath and Plaster, Drywall, FRP, Acoustical Ceiling, Flooring, Paint, Signage, Accessories, Countertops, Elevators, Food Service Equipment, Fire Sprinkler, Plumbing, Mechanical, Electrical, Low Voltage, Fire Alarm, Grading, Paving, Fences and Gates, and Underground Utilities. The DVBE goal for this project is 3%.

--This project is subject to prevailing wages and prequalification--

Pricing Due: 2/17/26 before 2:00pm (preferably earlier in the morning).

Please send bids and questions to Holly at hhockett@creeksideinc.net. Holly can also be reached at 916-546-1389. Bids should be submitted early the morning of 2/17/26 to provide adequate time for review. All bid documents (including plans, specification, and requirements) can be found here: <https://app.buildingconnected.com/public/5cf5604be4e52b001881cdc9>

Please monitor the website for addendums as they may be released.

Please reach out to Holly with any questions regarding bonding, lines of credit, and/or insurance.

Get in Touch

Outreach Coordinator

Holly Hockett

Telephone

(916) 546-1389

Fax

(000) 000-0000

Address

**3131 Peacekeeper Way, STE
400
McClellan Park, CA 95952**

[Send Message »](#)

Certification & Assistance

California DBE Program

San Francisco LBE Program

San Diego SLBE Program

Bay Area Rapid Transit SBE, LSB Program

Los Angeles County CBE Program

Alameda County SLEB Program

California Supplier Clearinghouse Diversity Program
Program

Oakland LBE/SLBE Program

Los Angeles County SLBE & DVBE Program

Alameda County Alameda CTC LBE/SLBE Program

California SB-PW Program

California DVBE Program

Free DBE Resources

Procurement, Capital Access, & Surety Bond Assistance

The U.S. Department of Transportation-
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DBEs with **Procurement, Capital Access, and
Surety Bond Assistance** - and much more - at
no cost.

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Trade Journal Ad

Publication: DBE Journal (DBEJournal.com)

Published On: 02/04/2026 @ 02:22:10 PM Pacific

Expired On: 02/17/2026 @ 11:59:59 PM Pacific

Published At:

http://dbejournal.com/index.php?show_ad=66801&ad_project_name=Merced+City+School+District+26th+Street+MARS%2FELO-P+Facility&co_name=Creekside+Commercial+Builders+Inc.

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LinkedIn

Remember to follow DBEGoodFaith on LinkedIn and re-post the bid invitation provided below. This will help you get more eyes on the sub/supplier opportunities available on the project.

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Published At: <https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:share:7424941838370947072/>

Sufficient Funds Declaration
(Labor Code section 2810)

Note: To Be Executed by Bidder and Submitted with Bid

Owner: Merced City School District

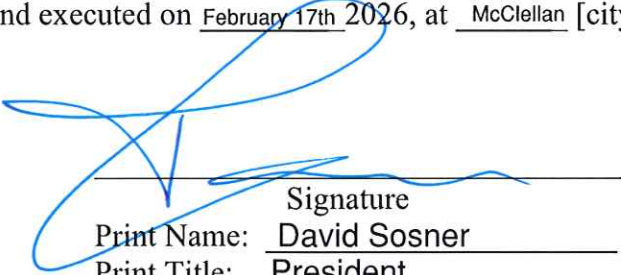
Project:

**Merced City School District 26th Street MARS/ELO-P Facility
Increments No. 1 & No. 2
Bid # 2025-6**

I, David Sosner, declare that I am the President
of Creekside Commercial Builders Inc., the entity making and submitting the bid for the above
Project that accompanies this Declaration, and that such bid includes sufficient funds to
permit Creekside Commercial Builders Inc. [insert name of entity] to comply with all local, state or
federal labor laws or regulations during the Project, including payment of prevailing
wage, and that Creekside Commercial Builders Inc. [the entity] will comply with the provisions of Labor
Code section 2810(d) if awarded the Contract.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the
foregoing is true and correct and executed on February 17th 2026, at McClellan [city], CA.

Date: February 17th, 2026



Signature
Print Name: David Sosner
Print Title: President

BID BOND

Note: This document must be executed and submitted with the bid.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that we the undersigned Creekside Commercial Builders, Inc. as Principal and Harco National Insurance Company as Surety, are hereby held and firmly bound unto the Merced City School District "Owner" in the sum of Ten percent of Amount Bid (10%) Dollars (\$ 10% of Bid Amount) for payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the Principal has submitted to the Owner a certain bid, attached hereto and hereby made a part hereof, to enter into a Contract in writing for the construction of the Work in strict accordance with Contract Documents:

**Merced City School District 26th Street MARS/ELO-P Facility
Increments No. 1 & No. 2
Bid # 2025-6**

NOW, THEREFORE,

- a. If said bid shall be rejected, or, in the alternative;
- b. If said bid shall be accepted and the Principal shall execute and deliver a contract in the form of agreement attached hereto and shall execute and deliver Performance and Payment Bonds in the forms attached hereto (all properly completed in accordance with said bid), 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 full force and effect, it being expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the Surety for any and all default of the Principal hereunder shall be the amount of this obligation as herein stated.

Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract on the call for bids, or to the Work to be performed hereunder, 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 terms of said Contract or the call for bids, or to the Work, or to the specifications.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the above-bounden parties have executed this instrument under several seals this 9th day of February, 2026, the name and corporate party being hereto affixed and these presents duly signed by its undersigned representative, pursuant to authority of its governing body. In the presence of:

(Notary Seal)

Creekside Commercial Builders, Inc.

(Principal)

3131 Peacekeeper Way, Suite 400, McClellan CA 95652

(Business Address)

Harco National Insurance Company

(Corporate Surety)

4200 Six Forks Road, Suite 1400, Raleigh, NC 27609

(Business Address)

By: [Signature]

David J. McKee, Attorney-in-Fact

The rate or premium of this bond is no charge for bid bond per thousand, the total amount of premium charged, \$ N/A.

(The above must be filled in by Corporate Surety).

CALIFORNIA ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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 California }

County of

Sacramento

On

02/13/2026

Date

before me,

Amber R. Marsh, Notary Public

Here Insert Name and Title of the Officer

personally appeared

David Sooner

Name(s) 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.



Place Notary Seal and/or Stamp Above

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

Signature of Notary Public

OPTIONAL

Completing this information can deter alteration of the document or fraudulent reattachment of this form to an unintended document.

Description of Attached Document

Title or Type of Document: _____

Document Date: _____ Number of Pages: _____

Signer(s) Other Than Named Above: _____

Capacity(ies) Claimed by Signer(s)

Signer's Name: _____

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

Signer is Representing: _____

Signer's Name: _____

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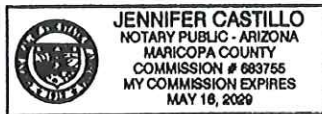
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
)
COUNTY OF MARICOPA)

On 2/09/2026, before me, Jennifer Castillo, Notary Public, personally appeared David J. McKee, 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.




Name: Jennifer Castillo

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Bond # HNI000023

HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY

INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY

Member companies of IAT Insurance Group, Headquartered: 4200 Six Forks Rd, Suite 1400, Raleigh, NC 27609

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Jersey, and having their principal offices located respectively in the cities of Rolling Meadows, Illinois and Newark, New Jersey, do hereby constitute and appoint

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Phoenix, AZ

their true and lawful attorney(s)-in-fact to execute, seal and deliver for and on its behalf as surety, any and all bonds and undertakings, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, which are or may be allowed, required or permitted by law, statute, rule, regulation, contract or otherwise, and the execution of such instrument(s) in pursuance of these presents, shall be as binding upon the said **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY**, as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been duly executed and acknowledged by their regularly elected officers at their principal offices.

This Power of Attorney is executed, and may be revoked, pursuant to and by authority of the By-Laws of **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY** and is granted under and by authority of the following resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY** at a meeting duly held on the 13th day of December, 2018 and by the Board of Directors of **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** at a meeting held on the 13th day of December, 2018.

"RESOLVED, that (1) the Chief Executive Officer, President, Executive Vice President, Senior Vice President, Vice President, or Secretary of the Corporation shall have the power to appoint, and to revoke the appointments of, Attorneys-in-Fact or agents with power and authority as defined or limited in their respective powers of attorney, and to execute on behalf of the Corporation and affix the Corporation's seal thereto, bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other written obligations in the nature thereof or related thereto; and (2) any such Officers of the Corporation may appoint and revoke the appointments of joint-control custodians, agents for acceptance of process, and Attorneys-in-fact with authority to execute waivers and consents on behalf of the Corporation; and (3) the signature of any such Officer of the Corporation and the Corporation's seal may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or certification given for the execution of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, contract of indemnity or other written obligation in the nature thereof or related thereto, such signature and seals when so used whether heretofore or hereafter, being hereby adopted by the Corporation as the original signature of such officer and the original seal of the Corporation, to be valid and binding upon the Corporation with the same force and effect as though manually affixed."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY** have each executed and attested these presents on this 31st day of December, 2024



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
County of Essex

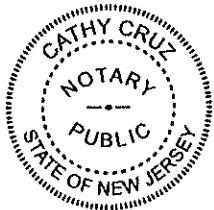
STATE OF ILLINOIS
County of Cook



Michael F. Zurcher

Executive Vice President, Harco National Insurance Company
and International Fidelity Insurance Company

On this 31st day of December, 2024, before me came the individual who executed the preceding instrument, to me personally known, and, being by me duly sworn, said he is the therein described and authorized officer of **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY**; that the seals affixed to said instrument are the Corporate Seals of said Companies; that the said Corporate Seals and his signature were duly affixed by order of the Boards of Directors of said Companies.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand affixed my Official Seal, at the City of Newark, New Jersey the day and year first above written.

Cathy Cruz a Notary Public of New Jersey
My Commission Expires April 16, 2029

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned officer of **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY** do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of the Power of Attorney and affidavit, and the copy of the Sections of the By-Laws of said Companies as set forth in said Power of Attorney, with the originals on file in the home office of said companies, and that the same are correct transcripts thereof, and of the whole of the said originals, and that the said Power of Attorney has not been revoked and is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on this day, February 9, 2026

Irene Martins, Assistant Secretary

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