



**50-00144088 Jefferson Parish Fire Training Center Rail Car Prop and  
Miscellaneous Improvements**  
Jefferson Parish Government

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CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS  
AND  
CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

*Prepared for:*

**JEFFERSON PARISH FIRE TRAINING CENTER  
RAIL CAR PROP & MISCELLANEOUS  
IMPROVEMENTS  
3221 River Road, Westwego, LA. 70094**

**JEFFERSON PARISH, LOUISIANA  
BID NO. 50-00144088**

**October 31, 2023**

**Prepared By:**

**Meyer Engineers, Ltd.  
4937 Hearst Street, Suite 1B  
Metairie, La. 70001**

**(504) 885-9892 Office  
(504) 887-5056 Fax**

LOUISIANA UNIFORM PUBLIC WORK BID FORM

TO: Jefferson Parish Purchasing Department
200 Derbigny Street, Suite 4400
Gretna, Louisiana 70053

BID FOR: Jefferson Parish Fire Training Center
Rail Car Prop & Miscellaneous Improvements
JP BID NO. 50-00144088

(Owner to provide name and address of owner)

(Owner to provide name of project and other identifying information)

The undersigned bidder hereby declares and represents that she/he: a) has carefully examined and understands the Bidding Documents, b) has not received, relied on, or based his bid on any verbal instructions contrary to the Bidding Documents or any addenda, c) has personally inspected and is familiar with the project site, and hereby proposes to provide all labor, materials, tools, appliances and facilities as required to perform, in a workmanlike manner, all work and services for the construction and completion of the referenced project, all in strict accordance with the Bidding Documents prepared by: Meyer Engineers, Ltd. and dated: October 31, 2023

(Owner to provide name of entity preparing bidding documents.)

Bidders must acknowledge all addenda. The Bidder acknowledges receipt of the following ADDENDA: (Enter the number the Designer has assigned to each of the addenda that the Bidder is acknowledging) Addendum 1, Addendum 2. All documents and Addendums

TOTAL BASE BID: For all work required by the Bidding Documents (including any and all unit prices designated "Base Bid" \* but not alternates) the sum of:

Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$ 200,000 )

ALTERNATES: For any and all work required by the Bidding Documents for Alternates including any and all unit prices designated as alternates in the unit price description.

Alternate No. 1 (Owner to provide description of alternate and state whether add or deduct) for the lump sum of:

Additive Alternate to construct required reinforced concrete paving around perimeter of new foundation for tanker rail car Dollars (\$ 175,000 )

Alternate No. 2 (Owner to provide description of alternate and state whether add or deduct) for the lump sum of:

Additive Alternate to provide diesel fuel tank & associated foundation & fuel filling systems & 2 inch fuel line from tank yard to rail car site Dollars (\$ 95,000 )

Alternate No. 3 (Owner to provide description of alternate and state whether add or deduct) for the lump sum of:

Additive Alternate to fabricate and construct structural steel platform prop that emulates a fuel load out facility Dollars (\$ 280,000 )

NAME OF BIDDER: Garden Environments, INC.

ADDRESS OF BIDDER: 4433 Ligustrum Street Metairie, LA 70001

LOUISIANA CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NUMBER: 59207

NAME OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER: Peggy Vuljoin

TITLE OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER: Owner

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER \*\* [Handwritten Signature]

DATE: 02/05/24

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE TO BE INCLUDED WITH THE SUBMISSION OF THIS LOUISIANA UNIFORM PUBLIC WORK BID FORM:

\* The Unit Price Form shall be used if the contract includes unit prices. Otherwise it is not required and need not be included with the form. The number of unit prices that may be included is not limited and additional sheets may be included if needed.

\*\* A CORPORATE RESOLUTION OR WRITTEN EVIDENCE of the authority of the person signing the bid for the public work as prescribed by LA R.S. 38:2212(B)(5).

BID SECURITY in the form of a bid bond, certified check or cashier's check as prescribed by LA R.S. 38:2218(A) attached to and made a part of this bid.



**Designation of Construction Contractor  
as Agent of a Governmental Entity  
Sales Tax Exemption Certificate**

\_\_\_\_\_, an agency of the United States government, or an agency, board, commission, or instrumentality of the State of Louisiana or its political subdivisions, including parishes, municipalities and school boards, does hereby designate the following contractor as its agent for the purpose of making sales tax exempt purchases on behalf of the governmental body:

Name of Contractor Garden Environments, INC.		
Address 4433 Ligustrum Street		
City <b>Metairie</b>	State <b>LA</b>	ZIP <b>70001</b>

This designation of agency shall be effective for purchases of component construction materials, taxable services and leases and rentals of tangible personal property for the following named construction project:

Construction Project <b>Rail Car Prop &amp; Miscellaneous Improvements</b>	Contract Number <b>50-00144088</b>
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This designation and acceptance of agency is effective for the period

Beginning Date (mm/dd/yyyy) <b>02/05/24</b>	End Date (mm/dd/yyyy) <b>02/05/25</b>
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Purchases for the named project during this period by the designated contractor shall be considered as the legal equivalent of purchases directly by the governmental body. Any materials purchased by this agent shall immediately, upon the vendor's delivery to the agent, become the property of this government entity. This government entity, as principal, assumes direct liability to the vendor for the payment of any property, services, leases, or rentals made by this designated agent. This agreement does not void or supersede the obligations of any party created under any construction contract related to this project, including specifically any contractual obligation of the construction contractor to submit payment to the vendors of materials or services for the project.

This contractor-agent is not authorized to delegate this purchasing agency to others; separate designations of agency by this governmental entity are required for each contractor or sub-contractor who is to purchase on behalf of this governmental entity. The undersigned hereby certify that this designation is the entirety of the agency designation agreement between them. In order for a purchase for an eligible governmental entity through a designated agent to be eligible for sales tax exemption, the designation of agency must be made, accepted, and disclosed to the vendor before or at the time of the purchase transaction.

Designation of Agency			Acceptance of Agency		
Signature of Authorized Designator	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)		Signature of Contractor or Subcontractor Authorized Acceptor	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
Name of Authorized Designator			Name of Contractor's or Subcontractor's Acceptor	02/05/24	
Name of Governmental Entity			Name of Contractor	Garden Environments, INC.	
Address			Address	4433 Ligustrum Street	
City	State	ZIP	City	State	ZIP
			Metairie	LA	70001

This designation of agency form, when properly executed by both the contractor and the governmental entity, shall serve as evidence of the sales tax exempt status that has been conferred onto the contractor. No other exemption certificate form is necessary to claim exemption from sales taxes. The agency agreement evidenced by this sales tax exemption certificate must be implemented at the time of contract execution with the governmental entity. The contract between the governmental entity and his agent must contain provisions to authenticate the conferment of agency.

**Public Works Bid**

**AFFIDAVIT**

**STATE OF** Louisiana

**PARISH/COUNTY OF** East Baton Rouge

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared: Peggy  
Vuljoin, (Affiant) who after being by me duly sworn, deposed and said that  
he/she is the fully authorized Owner & Authorized of Garden Environments (Entity),  
Representative INC.  
the party who submitted a bid in response to Bid Number 50-00144088 to the Parish of  
Jefferson.

Affiant further said:

Campaign Contribution Disclosures

**(Choose A or B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):**

**Choice A** \_\_\_\_\_ Attached hereto is a list of all campaign contributions, including the date and amount of each contribution, made to current or former elected officials of the Parish of Jefferson by Entity, Affiant, and/or officers, directors and owners, including employees, owning 25% or more of the Entity during the two-year period immediately preceding the date of this affidavit or the current term of the elected official, whichever is greater. Further, Entity, Affiant, and/or Entity Owners have not made any contributions to or in support of current or former members of the Jefferson Parish Council or the Jefferson Parish President through or in the name of another person or legal entity, either directly or indirectly.

**Choice B** X there are **NO** campaign contributions made which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Affiant further said:

Debt Disclosures

**(Choose A or B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):**

**Choice A** \_\_\_\_\_ Attached hereto is a list of all debts owed by the affiant to any elected or appointed official of the Parish of Jefferson, and any and all debts owed by any elected or appointed official of the parish to the Affiant.

**Choice B**     X     There are **NO** debts which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Affiant further said:

That Affiant has employed no person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization, either directly or indirectly, to secure the public contract under which he received payment, other than persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project or in securing the public contract were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant; and

That no part of the contract price received by Affiant was paid or will be paid to any person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization for soliciting the contract, other than the payment of their normal compensation to persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant.

Affiant further said:

Affiant personally has not been convicted of, nor has he/she entered into a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to any of the crimes or equivalent federal crimes listed below. No individual partner, incorporator, director, manager, officer, organizer, or member, who has a minimum of a ten percent ownership in the Bidding Entity, has been convicted of, or has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to any of the crimes or equivalent federal crimes listed below. A conviction of or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to the following state crimes or equivalent federal crimes shall permanently bar any person or the bidding entity from bidding on public projects:

- (a) Public bribery (R.S. 14:118)
- (b) Corrupt influencing (R.S. 14:120)
- (c) Extortion (R.S. 14:66)
- (d) Money laundering (R.S. 14:230)

A conviction of or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to the following state crimes or equivalent federal crimes shall bar any person or the bidding entity from bidding on public projects for a period of five years from the date of conviction or from the date of the entrance of the plea of guilty or nolo contendere:

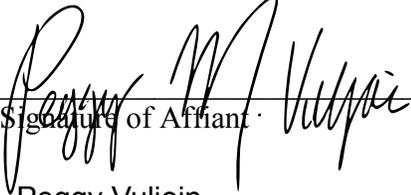
- (a) Theft (R.S. 14:67)
- (b) Identity Theft (R.S. 14:67, 16)
- (c) Theft of a business record (R.S. 14:67.20)
- (d) False accounting (R.S. 14:70)
- (e) Issuing worthless checks (R.S. 14:71)
- (f) Bank fraud (R.S. 14:71.1)
- (g) Forgery (R.S. 14:72)
- (h) Contractors; misapplication of payments (R.S. 14:202)
- (i) Malfeasance in office (R.S. 14:134)

The five-year prohibition provided for in this section shall apply only if the crime was committed during the solicitation or execution of a contract or bid awarded pursuant to these provisions. If evidence is submitted substantiating that a false attestation has been made and the project must be readvertised or the contract cancelled, the awarded entity making the false attestation shall be responsible to the public entity for the costs of rebidding, additional costs due to increased costs of bids and any and all delay costs due to the rebid or cancellation of this project.

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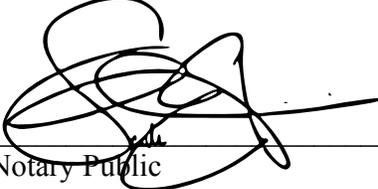
Affiant further said:

- (1) Entity is registered and participates in a status verification system to verify that all employees in the State of Louisiana are legal citizens of the United States or are legal aliens.
- (2) Entity shall continue, during the term of the contract, to utilize a status verification system to verify the legal status of all new employees in the State of Louisiana.
- (3) Entity shall require all subcontractors to submit to the Entity a sworn affidavit verifying compliance with statements (1) and (2).

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Affiant  
Peggy Vuljoin  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Affiant

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE ME

ON THE 05 DAY OF February, 20 24.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

Sarah Vuljoin  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Notary

149128  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary/Bar Roll Number

My commission expires At death.

**CORPORATE RESOLUTION**

EXCERPT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
Garden Environments, Inc.

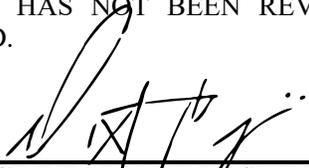
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INCORPORATED.

AT THE MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF Garden Environments, INC.  
INCORPORATED, DULY NOTICED AND HELD ON February 5, 2024,  
A QUORUM BEING THERE PRESENT, ON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED. IT  
WAS:

RESOLVED THAT Peggy Vuljoin, BE AND IS HEREBY  
APPOINTED, CONSTITUTED AND DESIGNATED AS AGENT AND ATTORNEY-IN-  
FACT OF THE CORPORATION WITH FULL POWER AND AUTHORITY TO ACT ON  
BEHALF OF THIS CORPORATION IN ALL NEGOTIATIONS, BIDDING, CONCERNS  
AND TRANSACTIONS WITH THE PARISH OF JEFFERSON OR ANY OF ITS AGENCIES,  
DEPARTMENTS, EMPLOYEES OR AGENTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE  
EXECUTION OF ALL BIDS, PAPERS, DOCUMENTS, AFFIDAVITS, BONDS, SURETIES,  
CONTRACTS AND ACTS AND TO RECEIVE ALL PURCHASE ORDERS AND NOTICES  
ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ANY SUCH BID OR CONTRACT, THIS  
CORPORATION HEREBY RATIFYING, APPROVING, CONFIRMING, AND ACCEPTING  
EACH AND EVERY SUCH ACT PERFORMED BY SAID AGENT AND ATTORNEY-IN-  
FACT.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE  
A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF AN  
EXCERPT OF THE MINUTES OF THE ABOVE  
DATED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS OF SAID CORPORATION, AND  
THE SAME HAS NOT BEEN REVOKED OR  
RESCINDED.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**SECRETARY-TREASURER**

02/05/24

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**DATE**

# Document A310™ – 2010

Conforms with The American Institute of Architects AIA Document 310

## Bid Bond

**CONTRACTOR:**

*(Name, legal status and address)*

Garden Environments, Inc  
4433 Ligustrum Street  
Metairie, LA 70001

**SURETY:**

*(Name, legal status and principal place of business)*

The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company  
175 Berkeley Street  
Boston, MA 02116

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.

**OWNER:**

*(Name, legal status and address)*

Jefferson Parish Government  
200 Derbigny Street  
Gretna, LA 70053

Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

**BOND AMOUNT:** \$ 5%

Five Percent of Amount Bid

**PROJECT:**

*(Name, location or address, and Project number, if any)*

50-00144088 - Jefferson Parish Fire Training Center Rail Car Prop and Miscellaneous Improvements

The Contractor and Surety are bound to the Owner in the amount set forth above, for the payment of which the Contractor and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, as provided herein. The conditions of this Bond are such that if the Owner accepts the bid of the Contractor within the time specified in the bid documents, or within such time period as may be agreed to by the Owner and Contractor, and the Contractor either (1) enters into a contract with the Owner in accordance with the terms of such bid, and gives such bond or bonds as may be specified in the bidding or Contract Documents, with a surety admitted in the jurisdiction of the Project and otherwise acceptable to the Owner, for the faithful performance of such Contract and for the prompt payment of labor and material furnished in the prosecution thereof; or (2) pays to the Owner the difference, not to exceed the amount of this Bond, between the amount specified in said bid and such larger amount for which the Owner may in good faith contract with another party to perform the work covered by said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect. The Surety hereby waives any notice of an agreement between the Owner and Contractor to extend the time in which the Owner may accept the bid. Waiver of notice by the Surety shall not apply to any extension exceeding sixty (60) days in the aggregate beyond the time for acceptance of bids specified in the bid documents, and the Owner and Contractor shall obtain the Surety's consent for an extension beyond sixty (60) days.

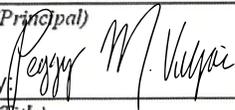
If this Bond is issued in connection with a subcontractor's bid to a Contractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location of the Project, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

Signed and sealed this 6th day of February, 2024

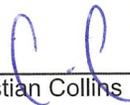
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Witness)*

Garden Environments, Inc  
*(Principal)* \_\_\_\_\_ *(Seal)*

By:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Title)*

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Witness)*

The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company  
*(Surety)* \_\_\_\_\_ *(Seal)*

By:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Title)* Christian Collins Attorney-in-Fact



This Power of Attorney limits the acts of those named herein, and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent herein stated.

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company
The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company
West American Insurance Company

Certificate No: 8208937-964020

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOWN ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: That The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, that Liberty Mutual Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Massachusetts, and West American Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana (herein collectively called the "Companies"), pursuant to and by authority herein set forth, does hereby name, constitute and appoint, D. A. Belis; Christian Collins; Brett Rosenhaus; Taylor Rosenhaus

all of the city of Delray Beach state of FL each individually if there be more than one named, its true and lawful attorney-in-fact to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver, for and on its behalf as surety and as its act and deed, any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations, in pursuance of these presents and shall be as binding upon the Companies as if they have been duly signed by the president and attested by the secretary of the Companies in their own proper persons.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Power of Attorney has been subscribed by an authorized officer or official of the Companies and the corporate seals of the Companies have been affixed thereto this 27th day of October, 2022.



Liberty Mutual Insurance Company
The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company
West American Insurance Company
By: David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary

Not valid for mortgage, note, loan, letter of credit, currency rate, interest rate or residual value guarantees.

For bond and/or Power of Attorney (POA) verification inquiries, please call 610-832-8240 or email HOSUR@libertymutual.com.

State of PENNSYLVANIA
County of MONTGOMERY

On this 27th day of October, 2022 before me personally appeared David M. Carey, who acknowledged himself to be the Assistant Secretary of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, The Ohio Casualty Company, and West American Insurance Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, execute the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my notarial seal at Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania, on the day and year first above written.



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public
Montgomery County
My commission expires March 28, 2025
Commission number 1126044
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

By: Teresa Pastella
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-laws and Authorizations of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company which resolutions are now in full force and effect reading as follows:

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS: Section 12. Power of Attorney.

Any officer or other official of the Corporation authorized for that purpose in writing by the Chairman or the President, and subject to such limitation as the Chairman or the President may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Corporation to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Corporation. When so executed, such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the President and attested to by the Secretary. Any power or authority granted to any representative or attorney-in-fact under the provisions of this article may be revoked at any time by the Board, the Chairman, the President or by the officer or officers granting such power or authority.

ARTICLE XIII - Execution of Contracts: Section 5. Surety Bonds and Undertakings.

Any officer of the Company authorized for that purpose in writing by the chairman or the president, and subject to such limitations as the chairman or the president may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Company. When so executed such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the president and attested by the secretary.

Certificate of Designation - The President of the Company, acting pursuant to the Bylaws of the Company, authorizes David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary to appoint such attorneys-in-fact as may be necessary to act on behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations.

Authorization - By unanimous consent of the Company's Board of Directors, the Company consents that facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of any assistant secretary of the Company, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power of attorney issued by the Company in connection with surety bonds, shall be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

I, Renee C. Llewellyn, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company do hereby certify that the original power of attorney of which the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, is in full force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this 6th day of February, 2024.



By: Renee C. Llewellyn, Assistant Secretary

## Bid Bond in Accordance with Contract Specifications

Be sure to refer to the actual bond documents referenced in the contract specifications for specific terms before completing this form.

<b>PRINCIPAL NAME</b> Garden Environments, Inc.	<b>PRINCIPAL ADDRESS</b> 4433 Ligustrum Street, Metairie, LA 70001
<b>SURETY NAME</b> The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company	<b>SURETY ADDRESS</b> 175 Berkeley Street, Boston, MA 02116
<b>OBLIGEE NAME</b> Jefferson Parish	<b>OBLIGEE ADDRESS</b> 200 Derbigny Street, Gretna, LA 70053

### Bond Information

<b>BID DATE</b> 02/06/2024	<b>CONTRACT ID</b> 50-00144088	<b>CONTRACT VENDOR ID</b> 278264
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION</b> Jefferson Parish Fire Training Center Rail Car Prop and Miscellaneous Improvements		
<b>AMOUNT OF BID SECURITY</b> 5%	<b>AMOUNT OF BID SECURITY-SPELLED OUT</b> Five Percent of Amount Bid	
<b>BOND ENTERED AND EXECUTED BY</b> Kevin Wojtowicz	<b>ATTORNEY-IN-FACT SIGNATURE</b> 	

Know all men by these presents that The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, a Corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, are held and firmly bound unto the above owner/obligee by the transmission. The surety agrees to waive the statute of fraud defense and further agrees that the owner/obligee is a third party beneficiary of the waiver for the purposes of enforcing this bid bond.



This Power of Attorney limits the acts of those named herein, and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent herein stated. Not valid for mortgage, note, loan, letter of credit, bank deposit, currency rate, interest rate or residual value guarantees. For bond and/or Power of Attorney (POA) verification inquiries, please call 610-832-8240 or email HOSUR@libertymutual.com.



**Liberty Mutual**

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company  
The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company  
West American Insurance Company

**SURETY**

**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

KNOWN ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: That The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, that Liberty Mutual Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Massachusetts, and West American Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana (herein collectively called the "Companies"), pursuant to and by authority herein set forth, does hereby name, constitute and appoint,

Kevin Wojtowicz

of the city of St. Petersburg, state of Florida its true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, execute and acknowledge the following surety bond:

Principal Name: Garden Environments, Inc.

Obligee Name: Jefferson Parish

Bond Amount: See Bond Form

Surety Bond Number: SLA0205129053

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Power of Attorney has been subscribed by an authorized officer or official of the Companies and the corporate seals of the Companies have been affixed thereto this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.



The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company  
Liberty Mutual Insurance Company  
West American Insurance Company

By: David M. Carey  
David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA ss  
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021, before me personally appeared David M. Carey, who acknowledged himself to be the Assistant Secretary of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, The Ohio Casualty Company, and West American Insurance Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, execute the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my notarial seal at King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, on the day and year first above written.



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal  
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public  
Montgomery County  
My commission expires March 28, 2025  
Commission number 1126044  
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

By: Teresa Pastella  
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-laws and Authorizations of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company which resolutions are now in full force and effect reading as follows:

**ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS** – Section 12. Power of Attorney. Any officer or other official of the Corporation authorized for that purpose in writing by the Chairman or the President, and subject to such limitation as the Chairman or the President may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Corporation to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Corporation. When so executed, such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the President and attested to by the Secretary. Any power or authority granted to any representative or attorney-in-fact under the provisions of this article may be revoked at any time by the Board, the Chairman, the President or by the officer or officers granting such power or authority.

**ARTICLE XIII – Execution of Contracts – SECTION 5. Surety Bonds and Undertakings.** Any officer of the Company authorized for that purpose in writing by the chairman or the president, and subject to such limitations as the chairman or the president may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Company. When so executed such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the president and attested by the secretary.

**Certificate of Designation** – The President of the Company, acting pursuant to the Bylaws of the Company, authorizes David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary to appoint such attorneys-in-fact as may be necessary to act on behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations.

**Authorization** – By unanimous consent of the Company's Board of Directors, the Company consents that facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of any assistant secretary of the Company, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power of attorney issued by the Company in connection with surety bonds, shall be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

I, Renee C. Llewellyn, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary, of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company do hereby certify that this power of attorney executed by said Companies is in full force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this 02/05/2024



By: Renee C. Llewellyn  
Renee C. Llewellyn, Assistant Secretary





**Insurance Declaration Affidavit  
Automotive**

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF Louisiana

PARISH/COUNTY OF East Baton Rouge

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared,  
Peggy Vuljoin, (Affiant) who after being duly sworn, deposed and said that he/she  
is the fully authorized Owner of Garden Environments, INC. (Entity), the  
party who submitted a Proposal/Contract/Bid/RFP/SOQ No. 50-00144088, to .

Affiant further said:

- (1) That entity does not own automobiles or use automobiles in the furtherance of the services provided under the contract.
- (2) That if the entity obtains automobiles or begins to use automobiles in the furtherance of the services provided under the contract, affiant will notify Jefferson Parish and obtain the proper coverage.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Affiant

Peggy Vuljoin  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Affiant

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE ME

ON THE 05 DAY OF February, 2024.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

Sarah E. Vuljoin  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Notary

149128  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary/Bar Roll Number

My commission expires At death

**Insurance Declaration  
Workers Compensation**

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF Louisiana

PARISH/COUNTY OF East Baton Rouge

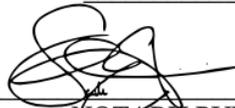
BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared,  
Peggy Vuljoin, (Affiant) who after being duly sworn, deposed and said that  
he/she is the fully authorized Owner of Garden Environments.

Affiant further said:

- (1) That affiant has no employees in which Worker's Compensation Insurance is required pursuant to state law.
- (2) That if affiant hires employees such that they would be required under state law to obtain Worker's Compensation Insurance, affiant will notify Jefferson Parish and obtain the proper coverage.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Affiant

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED  
BEFORE ME ON THIS 5th  
DAY OF February, 2024.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
149128  
NOTARY PUBLIC

# Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the  
 requester. Do not  
 send to the IRS.**

▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9) for instructions and the latest information.

Print or type.  
 See Specific Instructions on page 3.

<b>1</b> Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank. Garden Environments, INC.	
<b>2</b> Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
<b>3</b> Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only <b>one</b> of the following seven boxes.	<b>4</b> Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):  Exempt payee code (if any) _____  Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____  <i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate	
<input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ▶ _____ <b>Note:</b> Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is <b>not</b> disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶	
<b>5</b> Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions. 4433 Ligustrum Street	Requester's name and address (optional)
<b>6</b> City, state, and ZIP code Metairie, LA 70001	
<b>7</b> List account number(s) here (optional)	

## Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

**Note:** If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

<b>Social security number</b>									
<b>or</b>									
<b>Employer identification number</b>									
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## Part II Certification

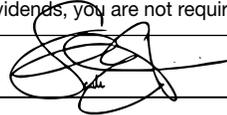
Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

**Sign Here**

Signature of U.S. person ▶



Date ▶ 02/05/24

## General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

**Future developments.** For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9).

## Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

*If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.*

# TEMPORARY AUTO IDENTIFICATION CARD

STATE FARM®

This card is invalid if the policy for which it was issued lapses or is terminated.

An insurer authorized to transact business in Louisiana has issued the Motor Vehicle Policy identified hereon. The coverage provided by this policy meets the minimum liability insurance limits prescribed by law.

**LOUISIANA AUTO INSURANCE IDENTIFICATION CARD** 

**State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company**  
4700 South Providence Road, Columbia, Missouri 65217

**POLICY NUMBER** 398 2154-C17-18  
**INSURED** VULJOIN,ETHAN

**EFFECTIVE DATE** FEB-06-2024      **EXPIRATION DATE** SEP-17-2024  
**EXCLUDED DRIVER(S)** N/A

**CAR-YEAR/MAKE/VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER**  
2003 FORD F250 SD PICKUP  
1FTNW21F03EA68132

**COVERAGES**

A	BODILY INJURY/PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY
C	MEDICAL PAYMENTS
D	COMPREHENSIVE \$1000
G	COLLISION \$1000
H, UEO	

**AGENT** DUNN, MENDY ROBIN  
401 VETERANS MEM BLVD  
SUITE 101  
METAIRIE, LA 70005-2957  
PHONE# 504-342-2290

**NAIC #25178**

This card must be carried in the vehicle at all times as evidence of liability insurance.

**STATE FARM®**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

La.R.S 32:863.1 requires that an operator of a motor vehicle produce upon demand by a law enforcement officer documentation of motor vehicle security which is required to be maintained within the vehicle at all times.

Failure to comply may result in fines, revocation of registration privileges and block against the renewal or issuance of a driver's license.

**IF YOU HAVE AN ACCIDENT- NOTIFY POLICE IMMEDIATELY**

1. Get names, addresses, and phone numbers of persons involved and witnesses. Also get driver license numbers of persons involved and license plate numbers/states of vehicles.
2. Don't admit fault or discuss the accident with anyone but State Farm or police.
3. Promptly notify your agent, log on to statefarm.com®, or use the State Farm mobile app to file a claim.

For EMERGENCY ROAD SERVICE use the State Farm mobile app, log on to statefarm.com, or call 877-627-5757.

**HOW TO IDENTIFY YOUR COVERAGES**

**SEE POLICY FOR FULL NAME AND DEFINITION**

A	Liability	R1, R2	Car Rental and Travel Expense
C	Medical Payments	S	Death, Dismemberment and Loss of Sight
D	Comprehensive or Other Than Collision (OTC)	U	Uninsured Motor Vehicle
G	Collision	U1	Uninsured Motor Vehicle - PD
H	Emergency Road Service	UEO	Economic Only Uninsured Mtr Veh
L	Physical Damage	UNOC	Use of Nonowned Cars
		Z	Loss of Earnings

Louisiana requires that an ID card be carried in the vehicle at all times as evidence of insurance.

Emergency Road Service information is located on your insurance card.

Binder of Insurance

Pending issuance and delivery of a policy pursuant to the application of the insured and to all the terms and conditions of the policy issued by the company the

State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company

Does hereby insure: ETHAN VULJOIN  
4433 LIGUSTRUM ST  
METAIRIE, LA 70001-4633

Policy Number: 398 2154-C17-18

Year	Make	Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)
2003	FORD F250 SD PICKUP	1FTNW21F03EA68132

Coverages

Liability 1M/1M/1M	Comprehensive \$1000	Collision Ded \$1000
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Effective February 06, 2024, expiring not to exceed thirty (30) days hence and to become void immediately upon the issuance of a policy in place hereof.

ANY PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY AND WITH INTENT TO DEFRAUD ANY INSURANCE COMPANY OR OTHER PERSON FILES AN APPLICATION FOR INSURANCE OR STATEMENT 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.