


# 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.

PRINCIPAL NAME  Opterra Solutions, Inc.	PRINCIPAL ADDRESS  270 Bruner Road, Lexington, SC 29072
SURETY NAME  Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America	SURETY ADDRESS  1 Tower Square, Hartford, CT 06183
OBLIGEE NAME  Jefferson Parish	OBLIGEE ADDRESS  200 Derbigny Street, Gretna, LA 70053

## Bond Information

BID DATE  02/13/2025	CONTRACT ID  50-00146949	CONTRACT VENDOR ID  31361
PROJECT DESCRIPTION Control weeds and undesired vegetation on drainage canals, ditches and servitudes on the east and west bank of the parish for the Jefferson Parish Department of Public works		
AMOUNT OF BID SECURITY  5%	AMOUNT OF BID SECURITY-SPELLED OUT Surety bond is due with bid submission	
BOND ENTERED AND EXECUTED BY  Laura J. Tharp		ATTORNEY-IN-FACT SIGNATURE  

Know all men by these presents that Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, a Corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut, 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.



**Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America**  
**Travelers Casualty and Surety Company**  
**St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company**  
**Farmington Casualty Company**

### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, and Farmington Casualty Company are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint **Laura J. Tharp** of **Charleston**, **South Carolina**, their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, recognizances, conditional undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed, and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this **4th** day of **March**, **2024**.



State of Connecticut

City of Hartford ss.

By:   
 Bryce Grissom, Senior Vice President

On this the **4th** day of **March**, **2024**, before me personally appeared **Bryce Grissom**, who acknowledged himself to be the Senior Vice President of each of the Companies, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of said Companies by himself as a duly authorized officer.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

My Commission expires the **30th** day of **June**, **2026**



  
 Anna P. Nowik, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of each of the Companies, which resolutions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

**RESOLVED**, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents to act for and on behalf of the Company and may give such appointee such authority as his or her certificate of authority may prescribe to sign with the Company's name and seal with the Company's seal bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking, and any of said officers or the Board of Directors at any time may remove any such appointee and revoke the power given him or her; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing and a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Secretary; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any bond, recognizance, contract of indemnity, or writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking shall be valid and binding upon the Company when (a) signed by the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and duly attested and sealed with the Company's seal by a Secretary or Assistant Secretary; or (b) duly executed (under seal, if required) by one or more Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents pursuant to the power prescribed in his or her certificate or their certificates of authority or by one or more Company officers pursuant to a written delegation of authority; and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the signature of each of the following officers: President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, any Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Resident Vice Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries or Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by such facsimile signature and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding on the Company in the future with respect to any bond or understanding to which it is attached.

I, **Kevin E. Hughes**, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of each of the Companies, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which remains in full force and effect.

Dated this **02/11/2025**



  
 Kevin E. Hughes, Assistant Secretary

**To verify the authenticity of this Power of Attorney, please call us at 1-800-421-3880.**  
**Please refer to the above-named Attorney(s)-in-Fact and the details of the bond to which this Power of Attorney is attached.**

