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FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY

CONTINUATION CERTIFICATE

TO BE ATTACHED TO AND FORM PART OF BOND NO. 258 4139 EXECUTED BY
FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY AS SURETY.

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PRINCIPAL : AMERICAN EXPRESS TRAVEL RELATED
SERVICES COMPANY, INC.

OBLIGEE : STATE OF MINNESOTA

DESCRIPTION : MONEY ORDER BOND

PERIOD : 01/13/01-01/13/02

BOND AMOUNT : \$5,000.00

DATED : 01/13/83

PREMIUM : \$100.00

In consideration of an agreed premium payable in advance the Bond described above is hereby continued in force for the period indicated. Continuation is subject to the condition that the maximum aggregate liability of the Surety under the Bond and any and all continuations thereof shall in no event exceed the amount of liability shown herein. This certificate shall be valid only when executed by an attorney-in-fact of the surety.

NEW YORK BRANCH OFFICE
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FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY
SURETY

E. G. BOWMAN CO., INC.
PRODUCER OR AGENT

BY Myrna Gaskin
Myrna Gaskin, ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

Date: 12/04/00



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FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY

NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION
THE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY

ASSOCIATED INDEMNITY CORPORATION
AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY

GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY, a California corporation, NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION, an Illinois corporation, THE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, a New Jersey corporation redomesticated in Nebraska, ASSOCIATED INDEMNITY CORPORATION, a California corporation, and AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Missouri corporation, (herein collectively called "the Companies") does each hereby appoint **Myrna Gaskin and Janet King, New York, NY**

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power of authority hereby conferred in their name, place and stead, to execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances or other written obligations in the nature thereof _____

and to bind the Companies thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such bonds were signed by the President, sealed with the corporate seals of the Companies and duly attested by the Companies' Secretary, hereby ratifying and confirming all that the said Attorney(s)-in-Fact may do in the premises.

This power of attorney is granted under and by the authority of Article VII of the By-laws of FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY, NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION, THE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, ASSOCIATED INDEMNITY CORPORATION and AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY which provisions are now in full force and effect.

This power of attorney is signed and sealed under the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY, NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION, THE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, ASSOCIATED INDEMNITY CORPORATION and AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY at a meeting duly called and held, or by written consent, on the 19th day of March, 1995, and said Resolution has not been amended or repealed:

"RESOLVED, that the signature of any Vice-President, Assistant Secretary, and Resident Assistant Secretary of the Companies, and the seal of the Companies may be affixed or printed on any power of attorney, on any revocation of any power of attorney, or on any certificate relating thereto, by facsimile, and any power of attorney, any revocation of any power of attorney, or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Companies."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused these presents to be signed by their Vice-President, and their corporate seals to be hereunto affixed this 26 day of October, 1998.



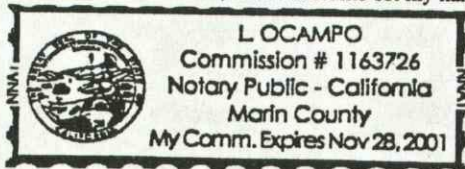
FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY
 NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION
 THE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY
 ASSOCIATED INDEMNITY CORPORATION
 AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY

By *M. A. Mallonee*
 Vice-President

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
 COUNTY OF MARIN } ss.

On this 26 day of October, 1998, before me personally came M. A. Mallonee to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he is a Vice-President of each company, described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seals of the said Companies; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such company seals; that they were so affixed by order of the Board of Directors of said companies and that he signed his name thereto by like order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year herein first above written.



L. Ocampo
 Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
 COUNTY OF MARIN } ss.

I, the undersigned, Resident Assistant Secretary of each company, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached POWER OF ATTORNEY remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore that Article VII of the By-laws of each company, and the Resolution of the Board of Directors; set forth in the Power of Attorney, are now in force.

Signed and sealed at the County of Marin. Dated the 4th day of December, 2000.

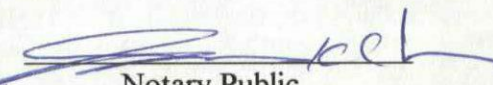


Luella E. Anstey
 Resident Assistant Secretary

**STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF QUEENS**

On the 4th day of December in the year 2000 before me personally came **Myrna Gaskin** to me know, being by me duly sworn, did dispose and say that she resides in Brooklyn, New York: that she is an **Attorney-in-Fact** of **FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY**, the corporation described in and which executed the above instrument; that she knows the seal of said corporation: that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal: that it was so affixed by the board of directors of said corporation, and that she signed her name thereto by like order; and that the Superintendent of Insurance of the State of New York has, pursuant to chapter B882 of the Laws of the State of New York for the year 1939 constituting Chapter 28 of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York known as the Insurance Law, as amended, issued to the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company his/her certificate that said Corporation is qualified to become and be accepted as surety or guarantor on all bonds, undertakings, recognizances, guarantees and other obligations required or permitted by Law; and that such certificate has not been revoked.

JAMES KC TOM
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 41-4750819
Qualified in Queens County
Commission Expires 12/31/01


Notary Public