

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA

RESOLUTION AWARDING BID FOR FIBER LINE RELOCATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §23-104(6) (Reissue 2012), the County has the power to do all acts in relation to the concerns of the County necessary to the exercise of its corporate powers; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §23-103 (Reissue 2012), the powers of the County as a body are exercised by the County Board; and,

WHEREAS, bids for the fiber line relocation project have been solicited, made, opened and reviewed pursuant to applicable Nebraska State Statutes; and,

WHEREAS, based on those proceedings, and after a public hearing, this Board has duly deliberated and considered the bids received; and,

WHEREAS, this Board desires to proceed forthwith in order to expedite and facilitate service to the citizens of Sarpy County.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by this Board of County Commissioners that:

- (1) The low bid of TJ Cable & Underground Svs. for Fiber Line Relocation Project in the amount of One Hundred Thirty Five Thousand Three Hundred Seven Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$135,307.20) along with Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$5,000.00) per Location for Splicing is accepted, ratified, and confirmed.

The above resolution was approved by a vote of the Sarpy County Board of Commissioners at a public meeting duly held in accordance with applicable law on the 13th day of August, 2013.


 Sarpy County Board Chairman

ATTEST:




 Sarpy County Clerk

Sarpy County Purchasing Department

SARPY COUNTY COURTHOUSE
1210 GOLDEN GATE DRIVE
PAPILLION, NE 68046



Brian Hanson, Purchasing Agent
(402) 593-2349
Debby Peoples, Asst. Purchasing Agent
(402) 593-4164
Beth Garber, Senior Buyer/Contract Administrator
(402) 593-4476
Lois Spethman, Supply Clerk/Purchaser
(402) 593-2102

Memo

To: Sarpy County Board of Commissioners

From: Beth Garber

Re: Fiber Relocation Project

On August 8, 2013 two (2) bids were received and opened for the Fiber Relocation Project which includes a fiber line running from the Courthouse to the Sheriff's Office on Platteview Rd. After reviewing the bids it is recommended the bid be awarded to the low bidder, TJ Cable & Underground Services for a lump sum of \$135,307.20. Should any additional splicing be required the total per splice will be \$5,000, but this is not anticipated.

The fiber needs to be relocated due to the 84th Street Project. When the line was initially installed the right of way and drawings for the Papillion project were not finalized. We attempted to keep our line in proper position, but with heavy amounts of existing utilities we were limited.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

August 9, 2013

Beth Garber

Cc: Deb Houghtaling
Mark Wayne
Scott Bovick
Brian Hanson
Mark Walters

Bid Tab
Fiber Line Relocation Project

2:00 p.m., Thursday
August 8, 2013

	TJ Cable & Underground Services	Watts Electric Company
Lump Sum Base Bid	\$135,307.20	\$317,709.75
Splicing, As Required	\$5,000.00	\$10,580.00
Start Date	8/14/2013	9/15/2013
Completion Date	10/2/2013	11/1/2013

AGREEMENT

This Agreement is entered into by and between the County of Sarpy, in the State of Nebraska, a body politic and corporate, and hereinafter "County", and TJ Cable & Underground Svs., hereinafter "Vendor".

WHEREAS, County is desirous of contracting for Fiber Line Relocation Project for the Information Systems Department; and,

WHEREAS, the Vendor has been awarded this Agreement as a result of the bid made by Vendor in response to the Specifications and Request for Proposals prepared by County;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the declarations and mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the County and Vendor agree as follows:

I. DUTIES OF VENDOR

- A. Services to be rendered by Vendor under this Agreement shall be all those services necessary and proper for the installation and materials for Fiber Line Relocation Project in conformity with each and every term, condition, specification, and requirements of the Bid Specifications and the Bid submitted by the Vendor.
- B. All provisions of each document and item referred to in Paragraph A above shall be strictly complied with the same as if rewritten herein, and in the event of conflict among the provisions of said documents, the provisions most favorable to the County shall govern.
- C. Prior to the commencement of any work, Vendor will place on file with the Sarpy County Clerk, the required certificates of insurance, if applicable.
- D. The Vendor agrees to comply with the residency verification requirements of Neb. Rev. Stat. §4-108 through §4-114. The Vendor is required and hereby agrees to use a federal immigration verification system to determine the work eligibility status of new employees physically performing services within the State of Nebraska. A federal immigration verification system means the electronic verification of the work authorization program authorized by the Illegal Immigration Reform and immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. 1324a, known as the E-Verify Program, or an equivalent federal program designated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or other federal agency authorized to verify the work eligibility status of a newly hired employee.

If the Vendor is an individual or sole proprietorship, the following applies:

- 1. The Vendor must complete the United States Citizenship Attestation Form, available on the Department of Administrative Services website at www.das.state.ne.us.
- 2. If the Vendor indicates on such attestation form that he or she is a qualified alien, the Vendor agrees to provide the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

documentation required to verify the Vendor's lawful presence in the United States using the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) Program.

3. The Vendor understands and agrees that lawful presence in the United States is required and the Vendor may be disqualified or the contract terminated if such lawful presence cannot be verified as required by Neb. Rev. Stat. Sect. 4-108.

E. Vendor will submit an invoice to County for work completed based on the amounts specified in Vendor's bid. Such invoices shall be submitted to:

Sarpy County Purchasing Department
Attn: Beth Garber
1210 Golden Gate Drive
Papillion, NE 68046

F. The County and Vendor hereto specifically acknowledge, stipulate and agree that each and every term of the Bid Specifications and the Vendor's bid constitutes an essential term of this Agreement, and that, therefore, any violation of any term, condition, provision, or requirement constitutes a material breach hereunder, for which County shall have every right under the law to terminate this Agreement, and obtain any and all relief necessary.

II. DUTIES OF COUNTY

In return for full, faithful and diligent rendering of services set forth above, County agrees to pay to Vendor the amount specified in Vendor's bid upon submission of the required invoice and satisfactory completion of all required work.

III. BREACH

Should Vendor breach, violate, or abrogate any term, condition, clause or provision of this agreement, the County shall notify Vendor in writing that such an action has occurred. If satisfactory provision does not occur within ten (10) days from such written notice, the County may, at its option, terminate this agreement and obtain an alternate provider to provide all required materials. This provision shall not preclude the pursuit of other remedies for breach of contract as allowed by law.

IV. SAVINGS CLAUSE

This Agreement shall be interpreted, construed and enforced under the laws of the State of Nebraska. It is understood and agreed by the County and Vendor hereto that if any part, term, condition, or provision of this Agreement is held to be illegal or in conflict with any law of the State of Nebraska or of the United States, the validity of the remaining parts, terms, conditions, or provisions shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the County and Vendor shall be construed and enforced as if the Agreement did not contain the particular part, term, condition, or provision held to be invalid.

V. SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement, along with the Bid Specifications, and Bid by Vendor contains the entire Agreement between the County and Vendor, and there are no other written or oral promises, contracts or warrants which may affect it. This Agreement cannot be amended except by written agreement of both the County and Vendor. Notice to the County and Vendor shall be given in writing to the agents for each party named below:

County: Ms. Debra Houghtaling
Clerk of Sarpy County
1210 Golden Gate Drive
Papillion, NE 68046

Vendor: Mr. Tyler Volk
TJ Cable & Underground Svs.
946 South Street
PO Box 563
Gretna, NE 68028

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the contracting parties, by our respective and duly authorized agents, hereto affix our signatures and seals in duplicate this 15th day of August, 2013.

(Seal)



ATTEST:

[Signature]
Sarpy County Clerk

COUNTY OF SARPY, NEBRASKA,
A body Politic and Corporate

[Signature] 8-13-13
Chairperson
Sarpy County Board of Commissioners

Approved as to form and content:

[Signature]
Deputy County Attorney

Vendor: [Signature]
By: [Signature]
Title: owner/manager

Attest:

Witness

Why We Are Using the Latest ACORD 25 Certificate of Insurance

In September 2009, ACORD revised the ACORD 25 Certificate of Insurance form. One of the major changes was the removal of the cancellation notice provision. For the following reasons, we are unable to issue an older edition of this form, modify the current form, or complete a proprietary form you provide:

- ACORD certificate forms must be filed and approved for use by the department of insurance in many states. When a new form is approved, a prior form can no longer be used. In those states, it is illegal for us to issue anything other than the currently approved ACORD form.
- We are also obligated to use the most recent form by our agreement with the ACORD Corporation. Using a prior form would violate ACORD's licensing agreement and federal copyright law.
- No insurer shown on this certificate is able to provide the cancellation notice you require in all circumstances. For example, the insured may cancel the policy effective immediately, making it impossible for the insurer to give you prior notice of cancellation. State laws also grant the insurer the right to cancel for reasons such as nonpayment, giving less notice than you may request.
- For these reasons, if our agency were to issue a certificate that provides the cancellation notice you request, we would do so with the full knowledge that it would be impossible to actually give that notice under certain circumstances. This could be alleged to constitute misrepresentation or fraud, and could subject our agency to serious civil and criminal penalties.
- We are often asked to complete proprietary certificates provided by the certificate requestor. Our insurance company contracts only allow us to complete unaltered ACORD forms.

We appreciate your understanding of the legal restrictions on our ability to fully comply with your request.



BOND NO. 2169044

PERFORMANCE BOND

CONTRACTOR:

(Name, legal status and address)
TJ Cable & Underground Services L.C.
P.O. Box 563
Gretna, NE 68028

SURETY:

North American Specialty Insurance Company
475 N. Martingale Road, Suite 850
Schaumburg, IL 60173

OWNER:

(Name, legal status and address)
Sarpy County, Nebraska
1210 Golden Gate Drive
Papillion, NE 68046

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

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

Date: August 14, 2013

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

Amount: \$135,307.20

This document combines two separate bonds, a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, into one form. This is not a single combined Performance and Payment Bond.

Description:

(Name and location)
Fiber Line Relocation Project for the Information Systems Department

BOND

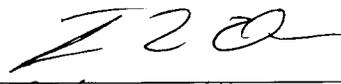
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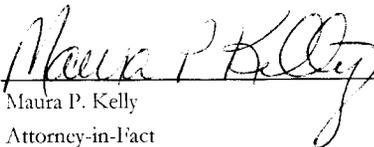
Amount: \$135,307.20

Modifications to this Bond: None See Section 16

CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL *(Corporate Seal)*
Company: TJ Cable & Underground Services L.C.

SURETY *(Corporate Seal)*
Company: **North American Specialty Insurance Company**

Signature: 
Name: Tyler Volk
and Title: OWNER

Signature: 
Name: Maura P. Kelly
and Title: Attorney-in-Fact

(Any additional signatures appear on the last page of this Performance Bond.)

(FOR INFORMATION ONLY - Name, address and telephone)

AGENT or BROKER:

OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE:

(Architect, Engineer or other party:)

The Harry A. Koch Co.
14010 FNB Parkway, Suite 300
Omaha, NE 68154
(402) 861-7000

1. The Contractor and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to the Owner for the performance of the Construction Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference.
2. If the Contractor performs the Construction Contract, the Surety and the Contractor shall have no obligation under this bond, except when applicable to participate in a conference as provided in Section 3.
3. If there is no Owner Default under the Construction Contract, the Surety's obligation under this Bond shall arise after
 - .1 the Owner first provides notice to the Contractor and the Surety that the Owner is considering declaring a Contractor Default. Such notice shall indicate whether the Owner is requesting a conference among the Owner, Contractor and Surety to discuss the Contractor's performance. If the Owner does not request a conference, the Surety may, within five (5) business days after receipt of the Owner's notice, request such a conference. If the Surety timely requests a conference, the Owner shall attend. Unless the Owner agrees otherwise, any conference requested under this Section 3.1 shall be held within ten (10) business days of the Surety's receipt of the Owner's notice. If the Owner, the Contractor and the Surety agree, the Contractor shall be allowed a reasonable time to perform the Construction Contract, but such an agreement shall not waive the Owner's right, if any, subsequently to declare a Contractor Default;
 - .2 the Owner declares a Contractor Default, terminates the Construction Contract and notifies the Surety; and
 - .3 the Owner has agreed to pay the Balance of the Contract Price in accordance with the terms of the Construction Contract to the Surety or to a contractor selected to perform the Construction Contract.
4. Failure on the part of the Owner to comply with the notice requirement in Section 3.1 shall not constitute a failure to comply with a condition precedent to the Surety's obligations, or release the Surety from its obligations, except to the extent the Surety demonstrates actual prejudice.
5. When the Owner has satisfied the conditions of Section 3, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense take one of the following actions:
 - 5.1 Arrange for the Contractor, with the consent of the Owner, to perform and complete the Construction Contract;
 - 5.2 Undertake to perform and complete the Construction Contract itself, through its agents or independent contractors;
 - 5.3 Obtain bids or negotiated proposals from qualified contractors acceptable to the Owner for a contract for performance and completion of the Construction Contract, arrange for a contract to be prepared for execution by the Owner and a contractor selected with the Owner's concurrence, to be secured with performance and payment bonds executed by a qualified surety equivalent to the bonds issued on the Construction Contract, and pay to the Owner the amount of damages as described in Section 7 in excess of the Balance of the Contract Price incurred by the Owner as a result of the Contractor Default; or
 - 5.4 Waive its right to perform and complete, arrange for completion, or obtain a new contractor and with reasonable promptness under the circumstances:
 - .1 After investigation, determine the amount for which it may be liable to the Owner and, as soon as practicable after the amount is determined, make payment to the Owner; or
 - .2 Deny liability in whole or in part and notify the Owner, citing the reasons for denial.
6. If the Surety does not proceed as provided in Section 5 with reasonable promptness, the Surety shall be deemed to be in default on this Bond seven days after receipt of an additional written notice from the Owner to the Surety demanding that the Surety perform its obligations under this Bond, and the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Owner. If the Surety proceeds as provided in Section 5.4, and the Owner refuses the payment or the Surety has denied liability, in whole or in part, without further notice the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Owner.

7. If the Surety elects to act under Section 5.1, 5.2 or 5.3, then the responsibilities of the Surety to the Owner shall not be greater than those of the Contractor under the Construction Contract, and the responsibilities of the Owner to the Surety shall not be greater than those of the Owner under the Construction Contract. Subject to the commitment by the Owner to pay the Balance of the Contract Price, the Surety is obligated, without duplication, for
 - .1 the responsibilities of the Contractor for correction of defective work and completion of the Construction Contract;
 - .2 additional legal, design professional and delay costs resulting from the Contractor's Default, and resulting from the actions or failure to act of the Surety under Section 5; and
 - .3 liquidated damages, or if no liquidated damages are specified in the Construction Contract, actual damages caused by delayed performance or non-performance of the Contractor.
8. If the Surety elects to act under Section 5.1, 5.3 or 5.4, the Surety's liability is limited to the amount of this Bond.
9. The Surety shall not be liable to the Owner or others for obligations of the Contractor that are unrelated to the Construction Contract, and the Balance of the Contract Price shall not be reduced or set off on account of any such unrelated obligations. No right of action shall accrue on this Bond to any person or entity other than the Owner or its heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.
10. The Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Construction Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders and other obligations.
11. Any proceeding, legal or equitable, under this Bond may be instituted in any court of competent jurisdiction in the location in which the work or part of the work is located and shall be instituted within two years after a declaration of Contractor Default or within two years after the Contractor ceased working or within two years after the Surety refuses or fails to perform its obligations under this Bond, whichever occurs first. If the provisions of this Paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum period of limitation available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit shall be applicable.
12. Notice to the Surety, the Owner or the Contractor shall be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the page on which their signature appears.
13. When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location where the construction was to be performed, 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.
14. **Definitions**
 - 14.1 **Balance of the Contract Price.** The total amount payable by the Owner to the Contractor under the Construction Contract after all proper adjustments have been made, including allowance to the Contractor of any amounts received or to be received by the Owner in settlement of insurance or other claims for damages to which the Contractor is entitled, reduced by all valid and proper payments made to or on behalf of the Contractor under the Construction Contract.
 - 14.2 **Construction Contract.** The agreement between the Owner and Contractor identified on the cover page, including all Contract Documents and changes made to the agreement and the Contract Documents.
 - 14.3 **Contractor Default.** Failure of the Contractor, which has not been remedied or waived, to perform or otherwise to comply with a material term of the Construction Contract.
 - 14.4 **Owner Default.** Failure of the Owner, which has not been remedied or waived, to pay the Contractor as required under the Construction Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other material terms of the Construction Contract.
 - 14.5 **Contract Documents.** All the documents that comprise the agreement between the Owner and Contractor.
15. If this Bond is issued for an agreement between a Contractor and subcontractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

16. Modifications to this bond are as follows:

(Space is provided below for additional signatures of added parties, other than those appearing on the cover page.)

CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL *(Corporate Seal)*

SURETY

(Corporate Seal)

Company: TJ CABLE

Company:

Signature: 
Name and Title: Tyler L O'K
Address: 996 South St
Gretna NE 68028

Signature: _____
Name and Title:
Address:



PAYMENT BOND

CONTRACTOR:

(Name, legal status and address)
TJ Cable & Underground Services L.C.
P.O. Box 563
Gretna, NE 68028

SURETY:

North American Specialty Insurance Company
475 N. Martingale Road, Suite 850
Schaumburg, IL 60173

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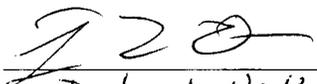
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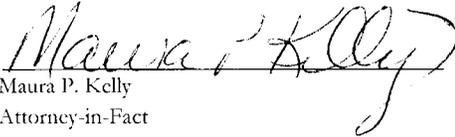
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Modifications to this Bond: None See Section 18

CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL *(Corporate Seal)*
Company: TJ Cable & Underground Services L.C.

SURETY *(Corporate Seal)*
Company: **North American Specialty Insurance Company**

Signature: 
Name: Tyler L. Voigt
and Title: OWNER

Signature: 
Name: Maura P. Kelly
and Title: Attorney-in-Fact

(Any additional signatures appear on the last page of this Payment Bond.)

(FOR INFORMATION ONLY – Name, address and telephone)

AGENT or BROKER:

The Harry A. Koch Co.
14010 FNB Parkway, Suite 300
Omaha, NE 69154
(402) 861-7000

OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE:

(Architect, Engineer or other party:)

1. The Contractor and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to the Owner to pay for labor, materials and equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference, subject to the following terms.
2. If the Contractor promptly makes payment of all sums due to Claimants, and defends, indemnifies and holds harmless the Owner from claims, demands, liens or suits by any person or entity seeking payment for labor, materials or equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract, then the Surety and the Contractor shall have no obligation under this Bond.
3. If there is no Owner Default under the Construction Contract, the Surety's obligation to the Owner under this Bond shall arise after the Owner has promptly notified the Contractor and the Surety (at the address described in Section 13) of claims, demands, liens or suits against the Owner or the Owner's property by any person or entity seeking payment for labor, materials or equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract and tendered defense of such claims, demands, liens or suits to the Contractor and the Surety.
4. When the Owner has satisfied the conditions in Section 3, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Owner against a duly tendered claim, demand, lien or suit.
5. The Surety's obligations to a Claimant under this Bond shall arise after the following:
 - 5.1 Claimants, who do not have a direct contract with the Contractor,
 - .1 have furnished a written notice of non-payment to the Contractor, stating with substantial accuracy the amount claimed and the name of the party to whom the materials were, or equipment was, furnished or supplied or for whom the labor was done or performed, within ninety (90) days after having last performed labor or last furnished materials or equipment included in the Claim; and
 - .2 have sent a Claim to the Surety (at the address described in Section 13).
 - 5.2 Claimants, who are employed by or have a direct contract with the Contractor, have sent a Claim to the Surety (at the address described in Section 13).
6. If a notice of non-payment required by section 5.1.1 is given by the Owner to the Contractor, that is sufficient to satisfy a Claimant's obligation to furnish a written notice of non-payment under Section 5.1.1.
7. When a Claimant has satisfied the conditions of Sections 5.1 or 5.2, whichever is applicable, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense take the following actions:
 - 7.1 Send an answer to the Claimant, with a copy to the Owner, within sixty (60) days after receipt of the Claim, stating the amounts that are undisputed and the basis for challenging any amounts that are disputed; and
 - 7.2 Pay or arrange for payment of any undisputed amounts.
 - 7.3 The Surety's failure to discharge its obligations under Section 7.1 or Section 7.2 shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of defenses the Surety or Contractor may have or acquire as to a Claim, except as to undisputed amounts for which the Surety and Claimant have reached agreement. If, however, the Surety fails to discharge its obligations under Section 7.1 or Section 7.2, the Surety shall indemnify the Claimant for the reasonable attorney's fees the Claimant incurs thereafter to recover any sums found to be due and owing to the Claimant.
8. The Surety's total obligation shall not exceed the amount of this Bond, plus the amount of reasonable attorney's fees provided under Section 7.3, and the amount of this Bond shall be credited for any payments made in good faith by the Surety.
9. Amounts owed by the Owner to the Contractor under the Construction Contract shall be used for the performance of the Construction Contract and to satisfy claims, if any, under any construction performance bond. By the Contractor furnishing and the Owner accepting this Bond, they agree that all funds earned by the Contractor in the performance of the Construction Contract are dedicated to satisfy obligations of the Contractor and Surety under this Bond, subject to the Owner's priority to use the funds for the completion of the work.
10. The Surety shall not be liable to the Owner, Claimants or others for obligations of the Contractor that are unrelated to the Construction Contract. The Owner shall not be liable for the payment of any costs or expenses of any Claimant under this Bond, and shall have under this Bond no obligation to make payments to, or give notice on behalf of, Claimants or otherwise have any obligations to Claimants under this Bond.

11. The Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Construction Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders and other obligations.
12. No suit or action shall be commenced by a Claimant under this Bond other than in a court of competent jurisdiction in the state in which the project that is the subject of the Construction Contract is located or after the expiration of one year from the date (1) on which the Claimant sent a Claim to the Surety pursuant to Section 5.1.2 or 5.2, or (2) on which the last labor or service was performed by anyone or the last materials or equipment were furnished by anyone under the Construction Contract, whichever of (1) or (2) first occurs. If the provisions of this Paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum period of limitation available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit shall be applicable.
13. Notice and Claims to the Surety, the Owner or the Contractor shall be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the page on which their signature appears. Actual receipt of notice or Claims, however accomplished, shall be sufficient compliance as of the date received.
14. When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location where the construction was to be performed, 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.
15. Upon request by any person or entity appearing to be a potential beneficiary of this Bond, the Contractor and Owner shall promptly furnish a copy of this Bond or shall permit a copy to be made.

16. Definitions

16.1 **Claim.** A written statement by the Claimant including at a minimum:

- .1 the name of the Claimant;
- .2 the name of the person for whom the labor was done, or materials or equipment furnished;
- .3 a copy of the agreement or purchase order pursuant to which labor, materials or equipment was furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract;
- .4 a brief description of the labor, materials or equipment furnished;
- .5 the date on which the Claimant last performed labor or last furnished materials or equipment for use in the performance of the Construction Contract;
- .6 the total amount earned by the Claimant for labor, materials or equipment furnished as of the date of the Claim;
- .7 the total amount of previous payments received by the Claimant; and
- .8 the total amount due and unpaid to the Claimant for labor, materials or equipment furnished as of the date of the Claim.

16.2 **Claimant.** An individual or entity having a direct contract with the Contractor or with a subcontractor of the Contractor to furnish labor, materials or equipment for use in the performance of the Construction Contract. The term Claimant also includes any individual or entity that has rightfully asserted a claim under an applicable mechanic's lien or similar statute against the real property upon which the Project is located. The intent of this Bond shall be to include without limitation in the terms "labor, materials or equipment" that part of water, gas, power, light, heat, oil, gasoline, telephone service or rental equipment used in the Construction Contract, architectural and engineering services required for performance of the work of the Contractor and the Contractor's subcontractors, and all other items for which a mechanic's lien may be asserted in the jurisdiction where the labor, materials or equipment were furnished.

16.3 **Construction Contract.** The agreement between the Owner and Contractor identified on the cover page, including all Contract Documents and all changes made to the agreement and the Contract Documents.

16.4 **Owner Default.** Failure of the Owner, which has not been remedied or waived, to pay the Contractor as required under the Construction Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other material terms of the Construction Contract.

16.5 **Contract Documents.** All the documents that comprise the agreement between the Owner and Contractor.

NAS SURETY GROUP

NORTH AMERICAN SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY
WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY

GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT North American Specialty Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under laws of the State of New Hampshire, and having its principal office in the City of Manchester, New Hampshire, and Washington International Insurance Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Hampshire and having its principal office in the City of Schaumburg, Illinois, each does hereby make, constitute and appoint:

DAVID A. DOMINIANI, JOAN LEU,

MAURA P. KELLY and SHARON K. MURRAY

JOINTLY OR SEVERALLY

Its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver, for and on its behalf and as its act and deed, bonds or other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond on behalf of each of said Companies, as surety, on contracts of suretyship as are or may be required or permitted by law, regulation, contract or otherwise, provided that no bond or undertaking or contract or suretyship executed under this authority shall exceed the amount of:
FIFTY MILLION (\$50,000,000.00) DOLLARS

This Power of Attorney is granted and is signed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of both North American Specialty Insurance Company and Washington International Insurance Company at meetings duly called and held on the 9th of May, 2012:

"RESOLVED, that any two of the Presidents, any Managing Director, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary be, and each or any of them hereby is authorized to execute a Power of Attorney qualifying the attorney named in the given Power of Attorney to execute on behalf of the Company bonds, undertakings and all contracts of surety, and that each or any of them hereby is authorized to attest to the execution of any such Power of Attorney and to attach therein the seal of the Company; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signature of such officers and the seal of the Company may be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto by facsimile, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seal shall be binding upon the Company when so affixed and in the future with regard to any bond, undertaking or contract of surety to which it is attached."



By [Signature]
Steven P. Anderson, Senior Vice President of Washington International Insurance Company
& Senior Vice President of North American Specialty Insurance Company



By [Signature]
David M. Layman, Vice President of Washington International Insurance Company
& Vice President of North American Specialty Insurance Company

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, North American Specialty Insurance Company and Washington International Insurance Company have caused their official seals to be hereunto affixed, and these presents to be signed by their authorized officers this 1st day of March, 2013.

North American Specialty Insurance Company
Washington International Insurance Company

State of Illinois
County of Cook ss:

On this 1st day of March, 2013, before me, a Notary Public personally appeared Steven P. Anderson, Senior Vice President of Washington International Insurance Company and Senior Vice President of North American Specialty Insurance Company and David M. Layman, Vice President of Washington International Insurance Company and Vice President of North American Specialty Insurance Company, personally known to me, who being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that they signed the above Power of Attorney as officers of and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of their respective companies.

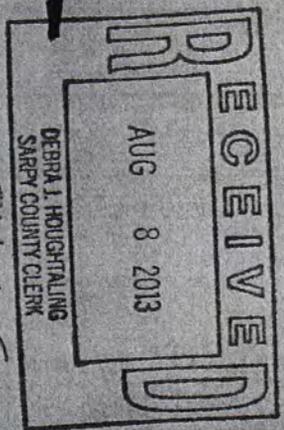


[Signature]
Donna D. Sklens, Notary Public

I, Jeffrey Goldberg, the duly elected Assistant Secretary of North American Specialty Insurance Company and Washington International Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Power of Attorney given by said North American Specialty Insurance Company and Washington International Insurance Company, which is still in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed the seals of the Companies this 14th day of August, 2013.

[Signature]
Jeffrey Goldberg, Vice President & Assistant Secretary of
Washington International Insurance Company & North American Specialty Insurance Company



CV 1:15pm

- Sealed Bid -
Fiber Line Relocation Project
FJ Cable & Underground Svcs
8/8/13 @ 2:00 pm

Debra Houghtaling
Sarge County Clerk's Office
1210 Golden Gate Dr.
Popillion, NE 68046

COUNTY OF SARPY, NEBRASKA

SPECIFICATIONS

Fiber Line Relocation Project

For the

Information Systems

Department

PROPOSALS DUE:

2:00 p.m., Thursday, August 8, 2013

General Information

Notice to Vendors

Sarpy County is seeking proposals for Fiber Line Relocation Project for the Information Systems Department. The successful Vendor will enter into a Contract for the specified services.

Sealed bids will be received Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. except holidays, until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, August 8, 2013. Bids shall be in a sealed envelope, clearly marked "Sealed Bid – Fiber Line Relocation Project" and shall have the name of the Vendor, and the time and date of the bid opening. **Do not fax bids, only sealed bids will be accepted.**

Requests for information and clarification questions must be received by 12:00 p.m., August 1, 2013 at 12:00 P.M. in order for Sarpy County to have time to issue an addendum.

Bidding criteria must be received from Beth Garber, Purchaser, 1210 Golden Gate Drive, Papillion, NE 68046, (402) 593-4476, bgarber@sarpy.com or via the internet at www.sarpy.com.

Vendors that obtain specifications from the internet sites are responsible for obtaining any addenda that may be added at a later time.

Bids must be sent to:

Deb Houghtaling
Sarpy County Clerk's Office
1210 Golden Gate Drive
Papillion, NE 68046

Bids not addressed and delivered to the above person will not be considered. Bids received after the above stated time and date will not be considered.

Bid opening will be a public opening to be held in the Sarpy County Administrative Conference Room at 1210 Golden Gate Drive, Papillion, NE. The bid opening will be at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, August 8, 2013.

All bids submitted shall be valid for a period of ninety (90) days following the final date for submission of bids.

Sarpy County will not be liable for costs incurred by Vendors for proposal preparation, printing, demonstration, or any other costs associated with or incurred in reliance on proposal creation. All such costs shall be the responsibility of the Vendor.

The bids shall include all charges and applicable taxes, F.O.B., Sarpy County, Nebraska. The Vendor need not include sales tax in the bid. Sarpy County will, upon request, furnish the successful Vendor with a completed State of Nebraska Tax Exempt Form 13 upon acceptance of the successful Vendor's proposal.

The Sarpy County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive minor informalities.

In the event of conflict between unit price and extended price, unit price shall prevail.

Procedures for Evaluation and Awarding of Bid

Evaluation will be done by Beth Garber, Sarpy County Purchaser along with personnel from the Information Systems Department. After evaluation the Purchaser will make a recommendation to the County Board of Commissioners for award. This recommendation and pending award will be made at a public meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Agendas are available each Friday afternoon on our internet site www.sarpy.com. The Commissioners award the bid by majority vote.

The following factors will be used to consider the award of the bid, where applicable:

- a) Compliance with all requirements.
- b) Price.
- c) The ability, capability, and skills of the Vendor to perform.
- d) The character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience, and efficiency of the Vendor.
- e) The quality of previous performance.
- f) Whether the Vendor can perform within the time specified.
- g) The previous and existing compliance of the supplier with laws.
- h) The life-cost of the personal property or services in relation to the purchase price and specified use.
- i) The performance of the personal property or service taking into consideration any commonly accepted tests and standards of product, service, usability and user requirements.
- j) The energy efficiency ratio as stated by the supplier.
- k) The life-cycle costs between alternatives for all classes of equipment, the evidence of expected life, the repair and maintenance costs, and the energy consumption on a per year basis.
- l) Such other information as may be secured having a bearing on the decision.

Terms and Conditions

1. Performance Bond

The successful Vendor shall be required to furnish a performance bond, and said bond shall be in the amount of 100% of the total amount of the bid, written by a surety licensed to do business in the State of Nebraska. Said performance bond shall be provided to the Sarpy County Clerk within ten (10) days after execution of the contract documents and bid award. Bond may be secured through the Vendor's usual sources.

2. Information, Discussion, and Disclosures

Any information provided by Sarpy County to any Vendor prior to the release of this Request for Proposal ("RFP"), verbally or in writing, is considered preliminary and is not binding on Sarpy County.

The Vendor must not make available nor discuss any cost information contained in the sealed copy of the proposal to or with any employee of Sarpy County from the date of issuance of this RFP until the contract award has been announced, unless allowed by the Sarpy County Purchasing Department in writing for the purpose of clarification or evaluation.

No interpretation of the meaning of the specifications, or other bidding documents, or correction of any ambiguity, inconsistency, or error therein will be made orally to any Vendor.

Every request for such interpretation or correction should be in writing, addressed to the Sarpy County Purchaser, Beth Garber, 1210 Golden Gate Drive, Papillion, NE 68046 or bgarber@sarpy.com. **Requests must be received by 12:00 p.m., August 1, 2013 in order for Sarpy County to have time to issue an addendum. Requests received after deadline may not be considered.** In case Sarpy County finds it expedient to supplement, modify, or interpret any portion of the bidding documents prior to the proposed bid date, such procedure will be accomplished by the issuance of written addenda to the RFP which will be mailed or delivered to all prospective Vendors at the respective addresses furnished for such purpose.

3. Addenda

All addenda will become part of this RFP and must be responded to by each Vendor.

All addenda must be acknowledged in writing in the bid submitted by the Vendor.

This RFP, any subsequent addenda, and any written responses to questions take precedence over any information previously provided.

4. Confidentiality of Documents

Sarpy County considers all information, documentation and other materials requested to be submitted in response to this proposal to be of a non-confidential and/or non-proprietary nature and therefore shall be subject to public disclosure under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-712.05(3).

Vendors are hereby notified that Sarpy County strictly adheres to all statutes, court decisions, and opinions of the Nebraska Attorney General with respect to disclosure of RFP information.

Any "proprietary, trade secret, or confidential commercial or financial" information must be clearly identified, in a separate sealed envelope, at the time of bid/proposal submission. **Pricing information is not considered financial information and therefore is not considered Confidential.** Please note: even if Vendor believes pricing information is confidential and includes it in a separate, sealed envelope, such information will be read aloud and entered into record during the public bid opening. For all other appropriately identified proprietary, trade secret, or confidential commercial or financial information, the Vendor will be required to fully defend, in all forums, Sarpy County's refusal to produce such information; otherwise, Sarpy County will make such information public upon request.

5. Non-Discrimination Clause

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §73-102 (Reissue 1996), Vendor declares, promises, and warrants it has and will continue to comply fully with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C.A. §1985, et seq.), and the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. §48-1101, et seq. (Reissue 2004), in that there shall be no discrimination against any employee who is employed in the performance of this Contract, or against any applicant for such employment, because of age, color, national origin, race, religion, creed, disability or sex.

6. Conflict of Interest Clause

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §23-3113 (Reissue 1997), the parties hereto declare and affirm that no officer, member, or employee of the County, and no member of its governing body, and no other public official of the County who exercises any functions or responsibilities in the review or approval of the undertaking described in this Contract, or the performing of services pursuant to this Contract, shall participate in any decision relating to this Contract which affects his or her personal interest, or any corporation, partnership, or association in which he or she is directly or indirectly interested; nor shall any employee of the County, nor any member of its governing body, have any interest, direct or indirect, in this Contract or the proceeds thereof.

7. Payment Terms

The successful Vendor shall submit an invoice for payment. Sarpy County will make payment to the successful Vendor within thirty (30) days after receipt of invoice, satisfactory installation and delivery of as-builds.

8. Supplemental Terms and Conditions/Modifications

Any supplemental terms, conditions, modifications, or waiver of these terms and conditions must be in writing and signed by the Sarpy County Board Chairman and the Vendor.

9. Termination

Either party may terminate the Contract with ninety (90) days' written notice to the other.

10. Residency Verification

The Vendor agrees to comply with the residency verification requirements of Neb. Rev. Stat. §4-108 through §4-114. The Vendor is required and hereby agrees to use a federal immigration verification system to determine the work eligibility status of new employees physically performing services within the State of Nebraska. A federal immigration verification system means the electronic verification of the work authorization program authorized by the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. 1324a, known as the E-Verify Program, or an equivalent federal program designated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or other federal agency authorized to verify the work eligibility status of a newly hired employee.

If the Vendor is an individual or sole proprietorship, the following applies:

- a) The Vendor must complete the United States Citizenship Attestation Form, available on the Department of Administrative Services website at www.das.state.ne.us.
- b) If the Vendor indicates on such attestation form that he or she is a qualified alien, the Vendor agrees to provide the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services documentation required to verify the Vendor's lawful presence in the United States using the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) Program.

- c) The Vendor understands and agrees that lawful presence in the United States is required and the Vendor may be disqualified or the contract terminated if such lawful presence cannot be verified as required by Neb. Rev. Stat. Sect. 4-108.

11. Breach

Should Vendor breach, violate, or abrogate any term, condition, clause or provision of this agreement, the County shall notify Vendor in writing that such an action has occurred. If satisfactory provision does not occur within ten (10) days from such written notice the County may, at its option, terminate this agreement and obtain an alternate provider to provide all required materials. This provision shall not preclude the pursuit of other remedies for breach of contract as allowed by law.

12. Insurance Requirements

The Vendor shall not begin work under this Agreement until all insurance certificates have been filed with the Sarpy County Clerk.

Vendor shall not commence work on this Contract until he/she has obtained all insurance required under this Section and such insurance has been approved by Sarpy County, nor shall Vendor allow any subcontractors to commence work on his/her subcontract until similar insurance required of the subcontractor has been so obtained and approved.

The following insurance coverages shall be kept in force during the life of the Contract and shall be primary with respect to any insurance or self-insurance programs covering the County, its commissioners/supervisors, officials, agents, representatives and employees. These insurance coverages shall specifically state, or be endorsed to state, that thirty (30) days' notice shall be given to the County in the event of cancellation of, or material change in, any of the coverages.

Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance

The minimal acceptable limits shall be the statutory limits as required by the State of Nebraska for Coverage A, Workers' Compensation and \$500,000 each accident for Coverage B, Employers Liability.

Commercial General Liability Insurance

Coverage should include broad form coverage written on a commercial general liability form and written on an occurrence basis. The coverage must protect against claims for damages resulting from bodily injury, including death, personal injury and property damage.

The minimum acceptable limits of liability shall be \$1,000,000 each occurrence. If the coverage contains a general aggregate, such limit shall not be less than \$2,000,000. The products/completed operations limit shall not be less than \$2,000,000. The County is to be named as an additional insured on the insurance coverage required under this section.

Automobile Liability Insurance

Coverage shall be against claims for damages resulting from bodily injury, including death and property damage, which may arise from the operations of any owned, hired or non-owned automobile. The minimum acceptable limit of liability shall be \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit for each accident. The County is to be named as an additional insured on the insurance coverage required under this section.

Certificate of Insurance

The Vendor shall furnish the County with a certificate(s) of insurance evidencing the coverages required in this section. If the certificate(s) is shown to expire prior to completion of all the terms of this Contract, the Vendor shall furnish a certificate(s) of insurance evidencing renewal of its coverage to the County. The County is to be included as an additional insured on the Commercial General Liability and the Automobile Liability insurance coverage required under this section.

The Vendor shall require each and every Subcontractor performing work under this Contract to maintain the same coverages required of the Vendor in this Section, and upon the request of the County, shall furnish the County with a certificate(s) of insurance evidencing the Subcontractor's insurance coverages required in this section.

Insurance Company

All insurance coverages herein required of the Vendor shall be written by an insurance company or companies transacting business as an admitted insurer in the State of Nebraska or under the Nebraska Surplus Lines Insurance Act. All insurance companies must possess a minimum A.M. Best Insurance Company rating of A-. Upon request by the County, the Vendor shall furnish evidence that the insurance company or companies being used by the Vendor meet the minimum requirements listed in this section.

Upon request by the County, the Vendor shall furnish the County with complete and accurate copies of the insurance policies required within this section. If at any time during the life of this Contract, the Vendor's insurance coverages and limits do not meet or exceed the minimum insurance requirements presented in this section, the Vendor is required to notify the County within thirty (30) days of any deviations from the minimum requirements presented in this section.

13. Assignment

The Vendor may not assign this Contract without the prior written consent of the County.

14. Subcontracting

Vendor may not subcontract the work to be performed, without prior written consent of the County. If such consent is granted, Vendor will retain responsibility for all work associated with the Contract. The Vendor must identify any subcontractors it intends to use in the execution of this Contract. The Vendor must identify subcontractors in writing within the proposal.

15. Independent Contractor

The Vendor shall in the performance of the Contract at all times be an independent contractor and not an employee or agent of the County. The Vendor, its officers, employees and agents shall at no time represent the Vendor to be other than an independent contractor or represent themselves to be other than employees of the Vendor.

16. Indemnity

The Vendor shall indemnify and save harmless Sarpy County, its officers, employees and agents from all loss, claims, suits or actions of every kind and character made upon or brought against Sarpy County, its officers, employees, or agents, for or sustained by any party or parties as a result of any act, error, omission or negligence of said Vendor or its servants, agents, and subcontractors; and also from all claims of damage in fulfilling this Contract.

17. Deviations

Once the bid has been accepted by Sarpy County, no deviations from the specifications will be accepted without prior written approval of Sarpy County.

18. Exceptions

These specifications are minimum acceptable specifications. You may bid other than what is specified if it is of higher specification than what is requested. Vendor must list any exceptions to the bid specifications on the bid form.

19. Company Information

Vendor will provide the following company information on the bid form:

- a. Years in business;
- b. Number of employees; and,
- c. Total sales for last three (3) years.

20. References

Each Vendor must include with its proposal a list of no less than three (3) current references that have purchased the specified product or service within the last two (2) years. The list must include the name of the company along with the name, phone number, and email of a contact person for each company.

General Specifications

Sarpy County is seeking proposals from qualified fiber optic cable installation companies for the relocation services, testing and all labor and materials of fiber optic cable located in the right of way of the 84th Street Improvement Project located at 84th Street and Highway 370, as identified on the attached drawings.

Work should include the services identified on the attached technical specifications and drawings which includes trenching and/or directional boring of conduit along with testing and providing detailed test results and construction drawings to the County.

Vendor shall provide all traffic control and barriers as required for the project. Any damage to existing utilities or property is the responsibility of the Vendor. Vendor is responsible for any locate services required for the project.

EXCEPTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS/COMMENTS

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____
- 8. _____
- 9. _____
- 10. _____

COMPANY NAME: TJ Cable & Underground Svs.

**Sarpy County, Nebraska
Fiber Line Relocation Project
Bid Form**

Lump Sum Base Bid: \$ 135,307.20
As identified within this document.

Splicing: \$ 5,000.00 per location - including splice case
As required and noted in this document.

*Prices are to be F.O.B. - 1210 Golden Gate Drive, Papillion, NE 68046

START DATE: 8/14/13

COMPLETION DATE: 10/2/13

Company Information

Years in business: 15

of employees 42

Total sales last 3 years
2012 - \$ 4,670,164.80
2011 - \$ 4,086,394.20
2010 - \$ 3,852,885.96

References

Company Name: Cox Communications
Address: 11505 N. Dodge Rd, Omaha, NE 68154
Contact Name: Laura Norris Phone Number: 402-510-1234
Date of Purchase: 98 - Present Email: laura.norris@cox.com

Company Name: Time Warner
Address: 5400 S. 16th St, Lincoln, NE 68512
Contact Name: Mike Willey Phone Number: 402-421-0394
Date of Purchase: 08 - Present Email: _____

Company Name: Sarpy County I. T. Department
Address: 1210 Golden Gate Dr, Papillion, NE 68046
Contact Name: PJ Biodrowski Phone Number: 402-593-2358
Date of Purchase: 07 - Present Email: pj@sarpy.com

I certify that this bid is submitted in accordance with the specifications issued by Sarpy County. I affirm that the original Specifications have not been altered in any way. Any alteration of the original Specifications, outside of an alternate bid, may be considered grounds for refusal of the bid.

I acknowledge receipt of the following addenda (if applicable):

Addendum #1 fzq
Addendum #2 _____

<u>TJ Cable & Underground Sys.</u> Company Name	<u>Tyler Volk</u> Company Representative (Please print)
<u>fzq</u> Authorized Signature	<u>402-650-0679</u> Telephone Number
<u>946 South St. - PO Box 563</u> Address	<u>402-916-9501</u> Fax Number
<u>Gretna, NE 68028</u> City, State & Zip	<u>tj.cableguy1@aol.com</u> E-Mail Address

***NOTE: Sarpy County is tax exempt and will provide the proper form upon request.**