

**FLORIDA UTILITY SERVICES 1, LLC
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May 27, 2022

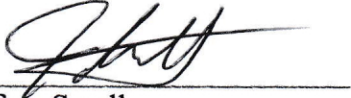
Office of Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: Docket No. 20220026-WU – Application for staff-assisted rate case in Marion County, and request for interim rate increase, by Leighton Estates Utilities, LLC

Commission Clerk:

Per the terms of Commission Order No. PSC-2022-0142-PCO-WU, issued April 12, 2022, in the above-mentioned docket, attached is a copy of an executed surety bond issued by Old Republic Surety Company on May 24, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jeffery Small
OCBOA Consulting, LLC
on behalf of ///

Michael Smallridge
Manager
Leighton Estates Utilities, LLC.

OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY

(800) 217-1792

MISCELLANEOUS BOND
FINANCIAL GUARANTEE

Bond Number OFL0446373

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, Leighton Estates Utilities LLC (hereinafter called the "Principal"), as Principal, and the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of WISCONSIN (hereinafter called the "Surety"), as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto Florida Public Service Commission (hereinafter called the "Obligee"), as Obligee, in the initial sum of Three Thousand and Seventy Six (\$ 3,076.00), for the payment of which sum well and truly to made, we the said Principal and the said Surety, bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by the presents.

WHEREAS, Leighton Estates Utilities LLC the Principal has entered into a/an (written) agreement/ license (hereinafter called the "Agreement/License") with the Obligee dated May 20, 2022 for the guarantee of Interim Rates which Agreement/License is hereby referred to and made a part hereof as if fully set forth herein:


NOW THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that if the Principal shall well and truly keep all the terms and conditions as outlined in said Agreement/License then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDE, HOWEVER, this bond is executed by the Surety and accepted by the Obligee subject to the following conditions:

1. No assignment of this bond shall be effective without the written consent of the Surety.
2. This obligation may be terminated by the Surety by thirty (30) days advance written notice to the Obligee, such notice to be sent by registered mail. Such termination shall not affect liability incurred under this obligation prior to the effective date of such termination.
3. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, it shall be a condition precedent to any right of recovery hereunder that, in the event of any breach of the Agreement on the part of the Principal, a written statement of the particular facts stating the nature of such breach shall be given as soon as reasonably possible by the Obligee to the Surety and the Surety shall not be obligated to perform Principal's obligation until 30 days after Surety's receipt of such statement.
4. No action, suit or proceeding shall be had or maintained against the Surety on this bond unless the same be brought or instituted within sixty (60) days after the termination or release of this bond.
5. Under no circumstances shall the aggregate liability of the Surety exceed the penal sum above stated.
6. This bond shall be effective from May 20, 2022 to May 20, 2023.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said Principal and said Surety have caused these presents to be executed and their seals affixed this 24th day of May, 2022.

Leighton Estates Utilities LLC
Principal
By: [Signature]
Michael Smalridge

Old Republic Surety Company
[Signature]
Attorney in Fact, Tina M. Wilson




OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a Wisconsin stock insurance corporation, does make, constitute and appoint:

JAMES CARMON GRACE, CLYDE WAYNE HOOD, TINA M. WILSON, OF PENSACOLA, FL

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power and authority, for and on behalf of the company as surety, to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company thereto (if a seal is required), bonds, undertakings, recognizances or other written obligations in the nature thereof, (other than bail bonds, bank depository bonds, mortgage deficiency bonds, mortgage guaranty bonds, guarantees of installment paper and note guaranty bonds, self-insurance workers compensation bonds guaranteeing payment of benefits or black lung bonds), as follows:

ALL WRITTEN INSTRUMENTS

and to bind OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY thereby, and all of the acts of said Attorneys-in-Fact, pursuant to these presents, are ratified and confirmed. This appointment is made under and by authority of the board of directors at a special meeting held on February 18, 1982. This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the board of directors of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY on February 18, 1982.

RESOLVED that, the president, any vice-president, or assistant vice president, in conjunction with the secretary or any assistant secretary, may appoint attorneys-in-fact or agents with authority as defined or limited in the instrument evidencing the appointment in each case, for and on behalf of the company to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company to bonds, undertakings, recognizances, and suretyship obligations of all kinds; and said officers may remove any such attorney-in-fact or agent and revoke any Power of Attorney previously granted to such person.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or suretyship obligation shall be valid and binding upon the Company (i) when signed by the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, and attested and sealed (if a seal be required) by any secretary or assistant secretary; or (ii) when signed by the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, secretary or assistant secretary, and countersigned and sealed (if a seal be required) by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact or agent; or (iii) when duly executed and sealed (if a seal be required) by one or more attorneys-in-fact or agents pursuant to and within the limits of the authority evidenced by the Power of Attorney issued by the company to such person or persons.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or certification there of authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the company; and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its proper officer, and its corporate seal to be affixed this 22ND day of OCTOBER, 2021.

Karen J. Haffner

Assistant Secretary



OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY

Alan Pavlic

President

STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY OF WAUKESHA-SS

On this 22ND day of OCTOBER, 2021, personally came before me, Alan Pavlic and

Karen J. Haffner, to me known to be the individuals and officers of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY who executed the above instrument, and they each acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn, did severally depose and say; that they are the said officers of the corporation aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the above instrument is the seal of the corporation, and that said corporate seal and their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority of the board of directors of said corporation.



Kathryn R. Pearson
Notary Public

My commission expires: 9/28/2022

(Expiration of notary commission does not invalidate this instrument)

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, assistant secretary of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a Wisconsin corporation, CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Power of Attorney remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore, that the Resolutions of the board of directors set forth in the Power of Attorney, are now in force.

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Signed and sealed at the City of Brookfield, WI this 24th day of May, 2022

Karen J. Haffner

Assistant Secretary

UNDERWOOD ANDERSON INSURANCE