

**BOND**  
**(License or Permit - Definite Term)**

Bond No. K40403541

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WE, Direct Energy Business, LLC, as Principal, and Federal Insurance Company, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of IN and authorized to do business in the state of New Hampshire, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission, as Obligee, in the penal sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$500,000.00) Dollars, for the payment of which we hereby bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal has obtained or is about to obtain a license or permit for DEB, LLC Competitive Electric Power Supplier C&I License Expansion, New Hampshire.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITIONS OF THIS OBLIGATION ARE SUCH, that if the Principal shall faithfully comply with all applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, rules or regulations, pertaining to the license or permit issued, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect. The New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission may draw upon this bond if and when the Company has failed to make required payment(s) and/or payment arrangements in accordance with the terms and conditions of an order by the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission.

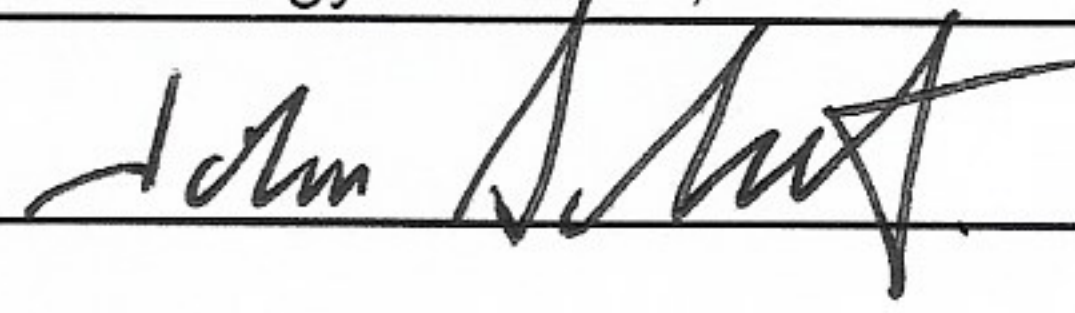
This bond is for a definite term beginning September 15, 2020, and ending March 15, 2024, and may be continued at the option of the Surety by Continuation Certificate. This bond shall include a six (6) month extended claims, draws or demand period.

PROVIDED, that regardless of the number of years this bond is in force, the Surety shall not be liable hereunder for a larger amount, in the aggregate, than the penal sum listed above.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that the Surety may terminate its liability hereunder as to future acts of the Principal at any time by giving thirty (30) days written notice of such termination to the Obligee.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DATED this September 22, 2020.

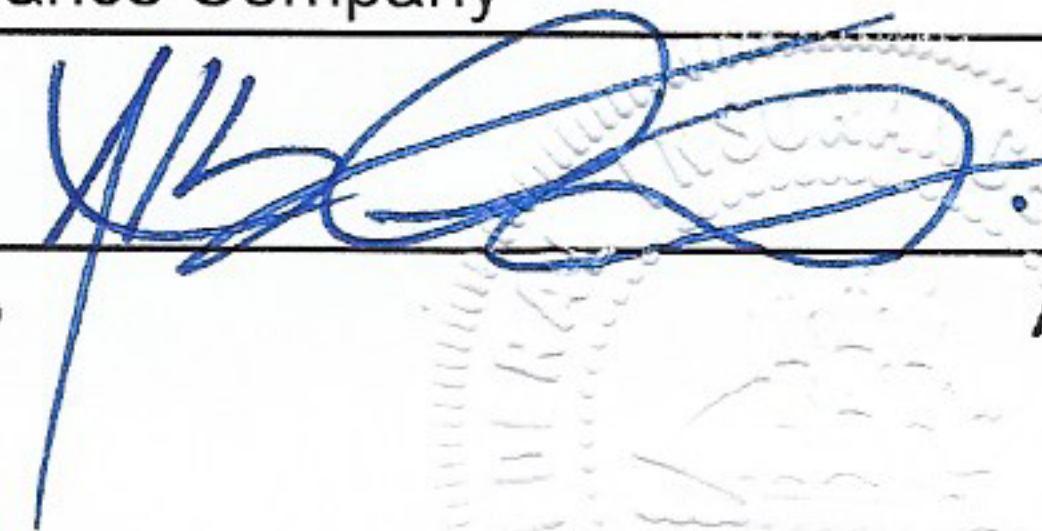
Direct Energy Business, LLC

By: 

Principal



Federal Insurance Company

By: 

Carlos Albelo

Attorney-in-Fact

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## Power of Attorney

Federal Insurance Company | Vigilant Insurance Company | Pacific Indemnity Company  
Westchester Fire Insurance Company | ACE American Insurance Company

Know All by These Presents, that FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, an Indiana corporation, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, a New York corporation, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, a Wisconsin corporation, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY corporations of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do each hereby constitute and appoint Carlos Albelo

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each as their true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact to execute under such designation in their names and to affix their corporate seals to and deliver for and on their behalf as surety thereon or otherwise, bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof (other than bail bonds) given or executed in the course of business, and any instruments amending or altering the same, and consents to the modification or alteration of any instrument referred to in said bonds or obligations.

In Witness Whereof, said FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY have each executed and attested these presents and affixed their corporate seals on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2019.

*Dawn M. Chloros*

Dawn M. Chloros, Assistant Secretary

*Stephen M. Haney*

Stephen M. Haney, Vice President



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

County of Hunterdon

SS.

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2019, before me, a Notary Public of New Jersey, personally came Dawn M. Chloros and Stephen M. Haney, to me known to be Assistant Secretary and Vice President, respectively, of FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, the companies which executed the foregoing Power of Attorney, and the said Dawn M. Chloros and Stephen M. Haney, being by me duly sworn, severally and each for herself and himself did depose and say that they are Assistant Secretary and Vice President, respectively, of FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY and know the corporate seals thereof, that the seals affixed to the foregoing Power of Attorney are such corporate seals and were thereto affixed by authority of said Companies; and that their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed by like authority.

Notarial Seal



KATHERINE J. ADELAAR  
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY  
No. 2316685  
Commission Expires July 16, 2024

*Katherine J. Adelaar*  
Notary Public

### CERTIFICATION

Resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, and PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY on August 30, 2016; WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY on December 11, 2006; and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY on March 20, 2009:

"RESOLVED, that the following authorizations relate to the execution, for and on behalf of the Company, of bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts and other written commitments of the Company entered into in the ordinary course of business (each a "Written Commitment"):

- (1) Each of the Chairman, the President and the Vice Presidents of the Company is hereby authorized to execute any Written Commitment for and on behalf of the Company, under the seal of the Company or otherwise.
- (2) Each duly appointed attorney-in-fact of the Company is hereby authorized to execute any Written Commitment for and on behalf of the Company, under the seal of the Company or otherwise, to the extent that such action is authorized by the grant of powers provided for in such person's written appointment as such attorney-in-fact.
- (3) Each of the Chairman, the President and the Vice Presidents of the Company is hereby authorized, for and on behalf of the Company, to appoint in writing any person the attorney-in-fact of the Company with full power and authority to execute, for and on behalf of the Company, under the seal of the Company or otherwise, such Written Commitments of the Company as may be specified in such written appointment, which specification may be by general type or class of Written Commitments or by specification of one or more particular Written Commitments.
- (4) Each of the Chairman, the President and the Vice Presidents of the Company is hereby authorized, for and on behalf of the Company, to delegate in writing to any other officer of the Company the authority to execute, for and on behalf of the Company, under the Company's seal or otherwise, such Written Commitments of the Company as are specified in such written delegation, which specification may be by general type or class of Written Commitments or by specification of one or more particular Written Commitments.
- (5) The signature of any officer or other person executing any Written Commitment or appointment or delegation pursuant to this Resolution, and the seal of the Company, may be affixed by facsimile on such Written Commitment or written appointment or delegation.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing Resolution shall not be deemed to be an exclusive statement of the powers and authority of officers, employees and other persons to act for and on behalf of the Company, and such Resolution shall not limit or otherwise affect the exercise of any such power or authority otherwise validly granted or vested."

I, Dawn M. Chloros, Assistant Secretary of FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, VIGILANT INSURANCE COMPANY, PACIFIC INDEMNITY COMPANY, WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY (the "Companies") do hereby certify that

- (i) the foregoing Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Companies are true, correct and in full force and effect,
- (ii) the foregoing Power of Attorney is true, correct and in full force and effect.

Given under my hand and seals of said Companies at Whitehouse Station, NJ, this September 22, 2020.



*Dawn M. Chloros*

Dawn M. Chloros, Assistant Secretary

IN THE EVENT YOU WISH TO VERIFY THE AUTHENTICITY OF THIS BOND OR NOTIFY US OF ANY OTHER MATTER, PLEASE CONTACT US AT:  
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