

**WASHINGTON
INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY
1200 Arlington Heights Rd.
Itasca, IL 60143**

**CONTINUATION
CERTIFICATE**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT:

In consideration of the payment of renewal premium, WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY, as Surety, does hereby continue

Bond Number S9054991

executed effective February 20, 2008

in the amount of \$100,000

on behalf of Sprague Energy Corp., Principal,

in favor of State of New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission, Obligee,

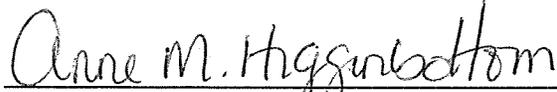
for the period beginning February 20, 2009 and ending February 20, 2010.

Provided, however, that this Continuation Certificate does not create a new obligation and is executed upon the express condition and provision that the Surety's liability under said bond and this and all Continuation Certificates issued in connection therewith shall not be cumulative and that said Surety's aggregate liability under said bond and this and all such Continuation Certificates on account of all defaults committed during the period (regardless of the number of years) said bond has been and shall be in force, shall not in any event exceed the amount of said bond as hereinbefore set forth.

Signed, sealed and dated on January 22, 2009.

WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY

BY:



Anne M. Higginbottom, Attorney-in-Fact

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 Itasca, Illinois, each does hereby make, constitute and appoint:

WILLIAM L. LABBE, JOHN J. FEITELBERG, CATHERINE H. LAWRENCE,

ANNE M. HIGGINBOTTOM and BARRY J. HORGAN

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:

TWENTY-FIVE MILLION (\$25,000,000.00) 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 24th of March, 2000:

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 of Steven P. Anderson]

Steven P. Anderson, President & Chief Executive Officer of Washington International Insurance Company & Senior Vice President of North American Specialty Insurance Company



By

[Signature of David M. Layman]

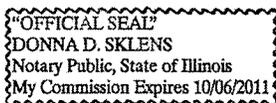
David M. Layman, Senior Vice President of Washington International Insurance Company & Vice President of North American Specialty Insurance Company

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 30th day of September, 2008.

North American Specialty Insurance Company
Washington International Insurance Company

State of Illinois
County of Du Page ss:

On this 30th day of September, 2008, before me, a Notary Public personally appeared Steven P. Anderson, President and CEO of Washington International Insurance Company and Senior Vice President of North American Specialty Insurance Company and David M. Layman, Senior 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 of Donna D. Sklens]

Donna D. Sklens, Notary Public

I, James A. Carpenter, 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 22nd day of January, 2009.

[Signature of James A. Carpenter]

James A. Carpenter, Vice President & Assistant Secretary of Washington International Insurance Company & North American Specialty Insurance Company