

Bond No. 8734485
Premium Included in cost
of performance.

LABORERS AND MATERIALMENS BOND FORM

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado, the State of California, and K. HOVNANIAN FORECAST HOMES, INC., a California corporation (hereinafter designated as "principal") have entered into an agreement whereby principal agrees to install and complete certain designated public improvements, which said agreement, dated August 23, 200⁵, and identified as project Euer Ranch, Unit 6 TM96-1317 is hereby referred to and made part hereof; and

Whereas, Under the terms of said agreement, principal is required before entering upon the performance of the work, to file a good and sufficient payment bond with the County of El Dorado to secure the claims to which reference is made in Title 15 (commencing with Section 3082) of part 4 of Division 3 of the Civil Code of the State of California.

Now, therefore, we, the principal and Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland (hereinafter designated "Surety"), are held firmly bound unto the County of El Dorado and all contractors, subcontractors, laborers, materialmen and other persons employed in the performance of the aforesaid agreement and referred to in the aforesaid Code of Civil Procedure in the sum of **Four Million, Nine Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand, Three Hundred and Eighty-eight Dollars and zero cents (\$4,934,388.00)**, for materials furnished or labor thereon of any kind, or for amounts due under the Unemployment Insurance Act with respect to such work or labor, that said surety will pay the same in an amount not exceeding the amount hereinabove set forth, and also in case suit is brought upon this bond, will pay in addition to the face amount thereof, costs and reasonable expenses and fees, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred by the County of El Dorado in successfully enforcing such obligation, to be awarded and fixed by the court, and to be taxed as costs and to be included in the judgment therein rendered.

It is hereby expressly stipulated and agreed that this bond shall insure to the benefit of any and all persons, companies and corporations entitled to file claims under Title 15 (commencing with Section 3082) of part 4 of Division 3 of the Civil Code, so as to give a right of action to them or their assigns in any suit brought upon this bond.

Laborers and Materialmen (continued)

Should the condition of this bond be fully performed, then this obligation shall become null and void, otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and effect.

The surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of said agreement or the specifications accompanying the same shall in any manner effect its obligations on this bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension, alteration or addition.

In witness whereof, this instrument has been duly executed by the principal and surety above named, on May 25, 20 05.

"Surety"


**Fidelity and Deposit Company
of Maryland**

"Principal"

**K. HOVNANIAN FORECAST HOMES, INC.
a California Corporation**

By Victoria M. Campbell

Victoria M. Campbell
Print Name Attorney-in-Fact

By  5-26-05
Richard J. Balestreri, Vice President
1796 Tribute Road, Suite 100
Sacramento, CA 95815

NOTARIES ATTACHED

CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of California

County of Orange

On MAY 25 2005 before me, Melissa A. Covarrubias, Notary Public
Name and Title of Officer (e.g., "Jane Doe, Notary Public")

personally appeared Victoria M. Campbell
Names) of Signer(s)

personally known to me - OR - proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within Instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.



WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Melissa Covarrubias
Signature of Notary Public

OPTIONAL

Though the information below is not required by law, it may prove valuable to persons relying on the document and could prevent fraudulent removal and reattachment of this form to another document.

Description of Attached Document

Title or Type of Document: _____

Document Date: _____ Number of Pages: _____

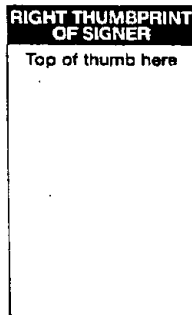
Signer(s) Other Than Named Above: _____

Capacity(ies) Claimed by Signer(s)

Signer's Name: _____

- Individual
- Corporate Officer
- Title(s): _____
- Partner — Limited General
- Attorney-in-Fact
- Trustee
- Guardian or Conservator
- Other: _____

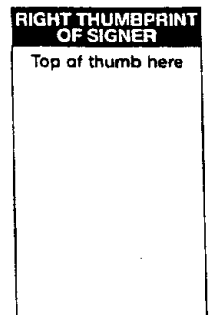
Signer Is Representing: _____



Signer's Name: _____

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- Title(s): _____
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- Other: _____

Signer Is Representing: _____



State of California }
County of Sacramento } ss.

CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

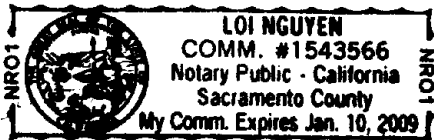
On May 26, 2005, before me, Loi Nguyen

personally appeared Richard J. Balestreri

- personally known to me - or -
- proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence:
 - form(s) of identification _____
 - credible witness(es) _____

to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



(Seal)

[Signature]
Notary Public

OPTIONAL INFORMATION

Although the information in this section is not required by law, it could prevent fraudulent removal and reattachment of this acknowledgment to an unauthorized document and may prove useful to persons relying on the attached document.

Description of Attached Document

The preceding Certificate of Acknowledgment is attached to a document titled/for the purpose of _____

containing _____ pages, and dated _____

The signer(s) capacity or authority is/are as:

- Individual
- Attorney-in-Fact
- Corporate Officer: _____
- Guardian/conservator
- Father, Mother, or Grandparent
- Trustee(s)
- Other: _____

representing _____

Additional Information

- Additional Signer(s)
- Signer's Thank(s)
- Other



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THIS IMPORTANT DISCLOSURE NOTICE IS PART OF YOUR BOND

We are making the following informational disclosures in compliance with The Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002. No action is required on your part.

Disclosure of Terrorism Premium

The premium charge for risk of loss resulting from acts of terrorism (as defined in the Act) under this bond is \$0 waived 0. This amount is reflected in the total premium for this bond.

Disclosure of Availability of Coverage for Terrorism Losses

As required by the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002, we have made available to you coverage for losses resulting from acts of terrorism (as defined in the Act) with terms, amounts, and limitations that do not differ materially as those for losses arising from events other than acts of terrorism.

Disclosure of Federal Share of Insurance Company's Terrorism Losses

The Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 establishes a mechanism by which the United States government will share in insurance company losses resulting from acts of terrorism (as defined in the Act) after a insurance company has paid losses in excess of an annual aggregate deductible. For 2002, the insurance company deductible is 1% of direct earned premium in the prior year; for 2003, 7% of direct earned premium in the prior year; for 2004, 10% of direct earned premium in the prior year; and for 2005, 15% of direct earned premium in the prior year. The federal share of an insurance company's losses above its deductible is 90%. In the event the United States government participates in losses, the United States government may direct insurance companies to collect a terrorism surcharge from policyholders. The Act does not currently provide for insurance industry or United States government participation in terrorism losses that exceed \$100 billion in any one calendar year.

Definition of Act of Terrorism

The Terrorism Risk Insurance Act defines "act of terrorism" as any act that is certified by the Secretary of the Treasury, in concurrence with the Secretary of State and the Attorney General of the United States:

1. to be an act of terrorism;
2. to be a violent act or an act that is dangerous to human life, property or infrastructure;
3. to have resulted in damage within the United States, or outside of the United States in the case of an air carrier (as defined in section 40102 of title 49, United 17 States Code) or a United States flag vessel (or a vessel based principally in the United States, on which United States income tax is paid and whose insurance coverage is subject to regulation in the United States), or the premises of a United States mission; and
4. to have been committed by an individual or individuals acting on behalf of any foreign person or foreign interest as part of an effort to coerce the civilian population of the United States or to influence the policy or affect the conduct of the United States Government by coercion.

But, no act shall be certified by the Secretary as an act of terrorism if the act is committed as part of the course of a war declared by Congress (except for workers' compensation) or property and casualty insurance losses resulting from the act, in the aggregate, do not exceed \$5,000,000.

These disclosures are informational only and do not modify your bond or affect your rights under the bond.

Power of Attorney
FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND
HOME OFFICE: 3910 KESWICK ROAD, BALTIMORE, MD 21211

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND, a corporation of the State of Maryland, by M. J. ANDERSON, Vice President, and T. E. SMITH, Assistant Secretary, in pursuance of authority granted by Article VI, Section 2, of the By-Laws of said Company, which are set forth on the reverse side hereof and are hereby certified to be in full force and effect on the date hereof, does hereby nominate, constitute and appoint Victoria M. CAMPBELL, of Irvine, California, its true and lawful agent and Attorney-in-Fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver, for, and on its behalf as surety, and as its act and deed: ~~any and all bonds and undertakings and the execution of such bonds or undertakings in pursuance of these presents, shall be as binding upon said Company, as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if they had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company at its office in Baltimore, Md., in their own proper persons.~~ This power of attorney revokes that issued on behalf of Victoria M. CAMPBELL, dated October 24, 1997.

The said Assistant Secretary does hereby certify that the extract set forth on the reverse side hereof is a true copy of Article VI, Section 2, of the By-Laws of said Company, and is now in force.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Vice President and Assistant Secretary have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed the Corporate Seal of the said FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND, this 13th day of December, A.D. 2000.

ATTEST:



FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND

T. E. Smith
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Assistant Secretary

By:

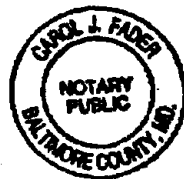
M. J. Anderson
M. J. Anderson

M. J. Anderson
Vice President

State of Maryland }
County of Baltimore } ss:

On this 13th day of December, A.D. 2000, before the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, duly commissioned and qualified, came M. J. ANDERSON, Vice President, and T. E. SMITH, Assistant Secretary of the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND, to me personally known to be the individuals and officers described in and who executed the preceding instrument, and they each acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn, severally and each for himself deposed and saith, that they are the said officers of the Company aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the preceding instrument is the Corporate Seal of said Company, and that the said Corporate Seal and their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority and direction of the said Corporation.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal the day and year first above written.



Carol J. Fader
Carol J. Fader

Carol J. Fader
My Commission Expires: August 1, 2004

Carol J. Fader
Notary Public