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Department of State, Florida
Clifton Building
2611 Executive Center Circle
Tallahassee FL 32301

Re: Order #: 6676535 WO
Customer Reference 1: AMS Surety Holdings Corp.
Customer Reference 2: qualification

Dear Department of State, Florida:

Please obtain the following:

AMS Surety Holdings Corp. (DE)
Qualification
Florida

Enclosed please find a check for the requisite fees. Please return document(s) to the attention of the undersigned.

If for any reason the enclosed cannot be processed upon receipt, please contact the undersigned immediately at (850) 222-1092. Thank you very much for your help.

Sincerely,

Ashley A Mitchell
Fulfillment Specialist
Ashley.Mitchell@wolterskluwer.com

**APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT
BUSINESS IN FLORIDA**

*IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 607.1503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO
REGISTER A FOREIGN CORPORATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.*

1. AMS Surety Holdings Corp.

(Enter name of corporation; must include "INCORPORATED," "COMPANY," "CORPORATION,"
"Inc.," "Co.," "Corp.," "Inc.," "Co.," or "Corp.")

(If name unavailable in Florida, enter alternate corporate name adopted for the purpose of transacting business in Florida)

2. Delaware

(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated)

3. 20-3197874

(FEI number, if applicable)

4. 01/11/2007

(Date of incorporation)

5. Perpetual

(Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")

6. Upon Qualification

(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration)
(SEE SECTIONS 607.1501 & 607.1502, F.S., to determine penalty liability)

7. 8840 Stanford Boulevard, Suite 4000, Columbia, MD 21045

(Principal office address)

same

(Current mailing address)

8. SEE ATTACHMENT

(Purpose(s) of corporation authorized in home state or country to be carried out in state of Florida)

9. Name and street address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box NOT acceptable)

Name: C T Corporation System

Office Address: 1200 South Pine Island Road

Plantation, Florida 33324
(City) (Zip code)

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10. Registered agent's acceptance:

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this application, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

C T Corporation System

By: Mark Brinkman

(Registered agent's signature)

Mark Brinkman
Vice President and Assistant Secretary

11. Attached is a certificate of existence duly authenticated, not more than 90 days prior to delivery of this application to the Department of State, by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of corporate records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is incorporated.

12. Names and business addresses of officers and/or directors:

**Attachment to Florida
Purpose Clause**

Specialty Bond Underwriting, Consulting and Captive Placement of Surety Instruments
for private placement.

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A. DIRECTORS

Chairman: _____
Address: _____

Vice Chairman: _____
Address: _____

Director: _____
Address: _____

Director: _____
Address: _____

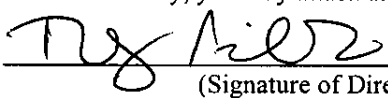
B. OFFICERS

President: Ray Miller
Address: 8840 Stanford Boulevard, Suite 4000
Columbia, MD 21045
Vice President: _____
Address: _____

Secretary: _____
Address: _____

Treasurer: _____
Address: _____

NOTE: If necessary, you may attach an addendum to the application listing additional officers and/or directors.

13. 
(Signature of Director or Officer listed in number 12 of the application)

14. Ray Miller, President
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

Delaware

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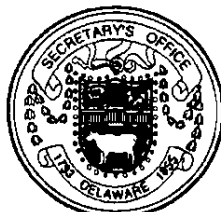
I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "AMS SURETY HOLDINGS CORP." IS DULY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORPORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE SEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, A.D. 2007.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE FRANCHISE TAXES HAVE NOT BEEN ASSESSED TO DATE.

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