

City of Hattiesburg P.O. Box 1898 Hattiesburg, MS 39403-1898

RE: Principal:

Buckhaults Electric Services

Bond No:

GRMS39804

Claim: 3454

Obligee:

City of Hattiesburg

Project:

Tatum Park Soccer Fields 15 & 17 Lighting

Dear Officials:

As you are aware, Granite Re, Inc. executed payment and performance bonds naming Buckhaults Electric Services (Buckhaults), as bond principal, and City of Hattiesburg, as bond obligee, in connection with the project identified above.

We have been made aware of potential claims from suppliers and/or subcontractors to our bond principal Buckhaults. As Granite Re, Inc. continues to investigate these matters and determine the merits of the claims, it is necessary to maintain the integrity of remaining contract funds which serve as the resource for the faithful payment of suppliers and subcontractors of the bond principal.

On behalf of Granite Re, Inc. surety for Buckhaults, this letter will serve to advise you that Granite Re, Inc., hereby demands the remaining contract funds be released <u>only</u> to Granite Re, Inc., the contract surety for the above referenced project.

Granite Re, Inc. through its contractual agreement of indemnity with the above identified principal and by the legal right of subrogation, maintain a priority interest in all contract funds to the extent of damages occasioned by potential claims against the surety's bonds.

Please be advised the contents of this letter and our investigation into this matter is without prejudice to the rights of all parties concerned and this correspondence is written while reserving all rights and defenses available to Granite Re, Inc. as a result of this bond undertaking without waiver, estoppel or admission of liability in whole or in part. Granite Re, Inc. continues to insist upon strict compliance with all terms and provisions of the bond and any statutes controlling its bond.

If you require any additional information please call.

Thank you,

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