

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
Department of Administration
Division of Purchases

RIVIP BIDDER CERTIFICATION COVER FORM
SECTION 1 - BIDDER INFORMATION

Bidder must be registered as a vendor on the RIVIP system at www.purchasing.ri.gov to submit a bid proposal.

Solicitation Number: 7549293A3
Solicitation Title: CONSTRUCTION OF SITE IMPROVEMENTS TO WWII MEMORIAL STATE PARK, WOON, RI ADD # 3 - (1) ZIP
Bid Proposal Submission Deadline Date & Time: 3/3/2015 10:00 AM
RIVIP Vendor ID #: 221
Bidder Name: Cardi Corporation
Address: 400 Lincoln Ave.
Warwick , RI 02888
USA
Telephone: (401) 739-8300
Fax: (401) 732-0006
Contact Name: Carl C. Engle
Contact Title: Vice President/Chief Engineer
Contact Email: sacardi@cardi.com

SECTION 2 —DISCLOSURES

Bidders must respond to every statement. Bid proposals submitted without a complete response may be deemed nonresponsive.

Indicate "Y" (Yes) or "N" (No) for Disclosures 1-4, and if "Yes," provide details below. Complete Disclosure 5. If the Bidder is publicly held, the Bidder may provide owner information about only those stockholders, members, partners, or other owners that hold at least 10% of the record or beneficial equity interests of the Bidder.

- N 1. State whether the Bidder, or any officer, director, manager, stockholder, member, partner, or other owner or principal of the Bidder or any parent, subsidiary, or affiliate has been subject to suspension or debarment by any federal, state, or municipal governmental authority, or the subject of criminal prosecution, or convicted of a criminal offense within the previous 5 years. If "Yes," provide details below.
- N 2. State whether the Bidder, or any officer, director, manager, stockholder, member, partner, or other owner or principal of the Bidder or any parent, subsidiary, or affiliate has had any contracts with a federal, state, or municipal governmental authority terminated for any reason within the previous 5 years. If "Yes," provide details below.
- N 3. State whether the Bidder, or any officer, director, manager, stockholder, member, partner, or other owner or principal of the Bidder or any parent, subsidiary, or affiliate has been fined more than \$5000 for violation(s) of any Rhode Island environmental law(s) by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management within the previous 5 years. If "Yes," provide details below.

- N**
4. State whether any officer, director, manager, stockholder, member, partner, or other owner or principal of the Bidder is serving or has served within the past two calendar years as either an appointed or elected official of any state governmental authority or quasi-public corporation, including without limitation, any entity created as a legislative body or public or state agency by the general assembly or constitution of this state.
 5. List each officer, director, manager, stockholder, member, partner, or other owner or principal of the Bidder, and each intermediate parent company and the ultimate parent company of the Bidder. For each individual, provide his or her name, business address, principal occupation, position with the Bidder, and the percentage of ownership, if any, he or she holds in the Bidder, and each intermediate parent company and the ultimate parent company of the Bidder.

Disclosure details (continue on additional sheet if necessary):

ANTONIO B. CARDI - PRESIDENT	} 400 LINCOLN AVENUE WARREN, RI 02888
STEPHEN A. CARDI - TREASURER	
STEPHEN A. CARDI II - VICE PRESIDENT	
CARL FOGLE - VICE PRESIDENT	
GUY COLAPASTRO - VICE PRESIDENT	

SECTION 3 — CERTIFICATIONS

Bidders must respond to every statement. Bid proposals submitted without a complete response may be deemed nonresponsive.

Indicate "Y" (Yes) or "N" (No), and if "No," provide details below.

THE BIDDER CERTIFIES THAT:

1. The Bidder will immediately disclose, in writing, to the State Purchasing Agent any potential conflict of interest which may occur during the term of any contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation.
2. The Bidder possesses all licenses and anyone who will perform any work will possess all licenses required by applicable federal, state, and local law necessary to perform the requirements of any contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation and will maintain all required licenses during the term of any contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation. In the event that any required license shall lapse or be restricted or suspended, the Bidder shall immediately notify the State Purchasing Agent in writing.
3. The Bidder will maintain all required insurance during the term of any contract pursuant to this solicitation. In the event that any required insurance shall lapse or be canceled, the Bidder will immediately notify the State Purchasing Agent in writing.
4. The Bidder understands that falsification of any information in this bid proposal or failure to notify the State Purchasing Agent of any changes in any disclosures or certifications in this Bidder Certification may be grounds for suspension, debarment, and/or prosecution for fraud.
5. The Bidder has not paid and will not pay any bonus, commission, fee, gratuity, or other remuneration to any employee or official of the State of Rhode Island or any subdivision of the State of Rhode Island or other governmental authority for the purpose of obtaining an award of a contract pursuant to this solicitation. The Bidder further certifies that no bonus, commission, fee, gratuity, or other remuneration has been or will be received from any third party or paid to any third party contingent on the award of a contract pursuant to this solicitation.
6. This bid proposal is not a collusive bid proposal. Neither the Bidder, nor any of its owners, stockholders, members, partners, principals, directors, managers, officers, employees, or agents has in any way colluded, conspired, or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any other bidder or person to submit a collusive bid proposal in response to the solicitation or to refrain from submitting a bid proposal in response to the solicitation, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion or other communication with any other bidder or person to fix the price or prices in the bid proposal or the bid proposal of any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost component of the bid price in the bid proposal or the bid proposal of any other bidder, or to secure through any collusion, conspiracy, or unlawful agreement any advantage against the State of Rhode Island or any person with an interest in the contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation. The bid price in the bid proposal is fair and proper and is not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder, its owners, stockholders, members, partners, principals, directors, managers, officers, employees, or agents.
7. The Bidder: (i) is not identified on the General Treasurer's list created pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 37-2.5-3 as a person or entity engaging in investment activities in Iran described in § 37-2.5-2(b); and (ii) is not engaging in any such investment activities in Iran.
8. The Bidder will comply with all of the laws that are incorporated into and/or applicable to any contract with the State of Rhode Island.

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BID FORM – ADDENDUM NO 2. FEBRUARY 12, 2015

To: The State of Rhode Island Department of Administration
Division of Purchases, 2nd Floor
One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908-5855

Bidder: CARRA CORPORATION
Legal name of entity
400 LINCOLN AVE., WARWICK, RI 02888
Address (street/city/state/zip)
STEVEN A. CARRI II SACARRI@CARRA.COM
Contact name Contact email
(401) 739-8300 (401) 732-0006
Contact telephone Contact fax

1. BASE BID PRICE

The Bidder submits this bid proposal to perform all of the work (including labor and materials) described in the solicitation for this Base Bid Price (*including the costs for all Allowances, Bonds, and Addenda*):

\$ 3,625,000.⁰⁰
(Base bid price in figures printed electronically, typed, or handwritten legibly in ink)
THREE MILLION SIX HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS
(Base bid price in words printed electronically, typed, or handwritten legibly in ink)

• **Allowances**

The Base Bid Price ***includes*** the costs for the following Allowances:

No. 1: Landscape plantings	\$50,000.00
No. 2: _____	\$ _____
No. 3: _____	\$ _____
<u>Total Allowances:</u>	<u>\$50,000.00</u>

• **Bonds**

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The Base Bid Price ***includes*** the costs for all Bid and Payment and Performance Bonds required by the solicitation.

• **Addenda**

The Bidder has examined the entire solicitation (including the following Addenda), and the Base Bid Price ***includes*** the costs of any modifications required by the Addenda.

All Addenda must be acknowledged.

Addendum No. 1 dated: FEB. 6, 2015

Addendum No. 2 dated: FEB. 18, 2015

Addendum No. 3 dated: FEB. 25, 2015

Addendum No. 4 dated: _____

Addendum No. 5 dated: _____

Addendum No. 6 dated: _____

2. **ALTERNATES** (*Additions/Subtractions to Base Bid Price*)

The Bidder offers to: (i) perform the work described in these Alternates as selected by the State in the order of priority specified below, based on the availability of funds and the best interest of the State; and (ii) increase or reduce the Base Bid Price by the amount set forth below for each Alternate selected.

Add **Alternate No. 1: Chain Link Fencing around Little League Field perimeter. (Backstop and dugout fencing are to be included in base bid.)**

\$ 25,000.⁰⁰
(Alternate amount *in figures* printed electronically, typed, or handwritten legibly in ink)

TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS
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Add **Alternate No. 2: Eight (8) additional light poles, luminaires and footings, conduit/wiring – supply and install, as shown on sheets E-1.3 and E-1.4.**

\$ 72,000.⁰⁰
(Alternate amount *in figures* printed electronically, typed, or handwritten legibly in ink)

SEVENTY TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS
(Alternate amount *in words* printed electronically, typed, or handwritten legibly in ink)

Add **Alternate No. 3: Basketball Court including pavements and pavement subbase, fencing and appurtenances (backstops, hoops and nets.)**

\$ 176,000.⁰⁰
(Alternate amount *in figures* printed electronically, typed, or handwritten legibly in ink)

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS
(Alternate amount *in words* printed electronically, typed, or handwritten legibly in ink)

Add **Alternate No. 4: Roadwork and sidewalk work on the south side of Social Street including demolition and site preparation, supply and install TrafficPatternsXD pavement, handicapped ramps and tactile warning strips, concrete sidewalk and granite curbing.**

\$ 91,000.⁰⁰
(Alternate amount *in figures* printed electronically, typed, or handwritten legibly in ink)

NINETY ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS
(Alternate amount *in words* printed electronically, typed, or handwritten legibly in ink)

Add **Alternate No. 5: Metal Paver Edging along edges of bituminous concrete (asphalt) pavements.**

\$ 50,000.⁰⁰
(Alternate amount *in figures* printed electronically, typed, or handwritten legibly in ink)

FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS
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3. UNIT PRICES

The Bidder submits these predetermined Unit Prices as the basis for any change orders approved in advance by the State. These Unit Prices include **all** costs, including labor, materials, services, regulatory compliance, overhead, and profit. The price of Landscape Plantings shall be included in the Lump Sum Base bid as an Allowance and shall include the price of plant material **INSTALLED**. However, unit prices for plant material shall also be provided based on the following:

	<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Common Name</u>	<u>QUAN.</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>ROOT</u>	<u>UNIT PRICE</u>
ITEM NO.	TREES					
T.1	Acer rubrum Red Sunset	Red Sunset Maple	4	3-3.5" caliper	B&B	\$ 788. ⁵⁰
T.2	Acer rubrum Bowhall	Blowhall Red Maple	2	3-3.5" caliper	B&B	\$ 788. ⁵⁰
T.3	Acer saccharum "Green Mountain"	Green Mt. Sugar Maple	6	3-3.5" caliper	B&B	\$ 788. ⁵⁰
T.4	Amelanchier lamarckii	Lamarck Serviceberry	6	8'-10' ht	B&B	\$ 550. ⁰⁰
T.5	Betula nigra "Heritage"	Heritage River Birch	8	8'-10' ht	B&B	\$ 350. ⁰⁰
T.6	Gledistia trianc. Iner. "Shademaster"	Shademaster Honey Locust	5	4-4.5" caliper	B&B	\$ 1810. ⁰⁰
T.7	Prunus sargentii "Columnaris"	Columnar Sargent Cherry	3	3-3.5" caliper	B&B	\$ 800. ⁰⁰
T.8	Zelkova serrata "Green Vase"	Green Vase Zelkova	5	3-3.5" caliper	B&B	\$ 800. ⁰⁰
	SHRUBS					
S.1	Ilex glabra compacta	Compact Inkberry	38	24"-30" ht	B&B	\$ 83. ⁰⁰
S.2	Ilex glabra "Shamrock"	Shamrock Inkberry	40	24"-30" ht	B&B	\$ 83. ⁰⁰
S.3	Spirea japonica "Little Princess"	Little Princess Spirea	6	18"-24" sp.	container	\$ 54. ⁵⁰
S.4	Taxus media "green Wave"	Green Wave Yew	11	24"-30" sp.	B&B	\$ 116. ⁰⁰
S.5	Taxus media x. "Hicksii"	Hick's Yew	11	24"-30" sp.	B&B	\$ 116. ⁰⁰
S.6	Thuja occidentalis "Nigra"	Darl American Arborvitae	26	6'-7' ht	B&B	\$ 202. ⁰⁰
S.7	Viburnum x. "Juddii"	Judd Viburnum	7	24"-30" ht	B&B	\$ 85. ⁰⁰
S.8	Viburnum plicatum "Newport"	Newport Viburnum	15	24"-30" ht	B&B	\$ 67. ⁰⁰
	PLANTS					
P.1	Coreopsis verticillata 'Moonbeam'	Moon Beam Coreopsis	80	1 gallon	container	\$ 21. ⁰⁰
P.2	Festuca ovina glauca "Elijah Blue"	Elijah Blue Fescue	35	1 gallon	container	\$ 21. ⁰⁰
P.3	Heuchera "Key Lime"	Key Lime Pie Coral Bells	20	1 gallon	container	\$ 28. ⁵⁰
P.4	Liriope muscari "Big Blue"	Big Blue LilyTurf	50	1 gallon	container	\$ 21. ⁰⁰
P.5	Narcissus "King Alfred"	King Alfred Daffodil	350	1 gallon	container	\$ 5.25
P.6	Pennesetum alopecuroides	Fountain Grass	135	1 gallon	container	\$ 21. ⁰⁰
P.7	Pachysandra t. "Green Sheen"	Japanese Spurge	400	1 gallon	container	\$ 4. ⁰⁰

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4. CONTRACT TIME

The Bidder offers to perform the work in accordance with the timeline specified below:

- **Start of construction: April 1, 2015**
- **Partial Completion of Baseball Field and Turf Areas - May 31, 2015.**

The Contractor shall provide loam and seed throughout the project limits at the proposed finished grade elevations with the exception of a 20 foot perimeter surrounding the splash park and playscape area.

- **Substantial Completion of Baseball Field and Turf Areas - August 31, 2015.**

The Contractor shall complete the installation of loam and seed operations surrounding the splash park and playscape area, and repair all damaged areas and any unsatisfactorily established areas.

- **Substantial Completion of Hardscape and Utilities – September 30, 2015.**

The basketball courts, pedestrian bridges, walkways, entranceways, lighting and utility installations shall be substantially complete and operational by September 30, 2015.

- **Time Restriction: Woonsocket Autumnfest**

The Contractor shall not be allowed to work at the site between **October 5 and October 16, 2015** during the City of Woonsocket's Autumnfest. During this time period, the Contractor shall remove all equipment and material stockpiles from the site. The splash park, playscape, and baseball field areas shall be secured to prevent access and/or damage.

- **Substantial Completion All remaining Elements – December 31, 2015:** All remaining elements shall be completed by December 31, 2015
- **Final completion: May 15, 2016**

5. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

The successful bidder awarded a contract pursuant to this solicitation shall be liable for

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and pay the State, as liquidated damages and not as a penalty, the following amount for **each calendar day of delay** beyond the dates for substantial completion, as determined in the sole discretion of the State: **\$3,000.00**

This bid proposal is irrevocable for 60 days from the bid proposal submission deadline.

If the Bidder is determined to be the successful bidder pursuant to this solicitation, the Bidder will promptly: (i) comply with each of the requirements of the Tentative Letter of Award; and (ii) commence and diligently pursue the work upon issuance and receipt of the purchase order from the State and authorization from the user agency.

The person signing below certifies that he or she has been duly authorized to execute and submit this bid proposal on behalf of the Bidder.

Date: 3/3/15

BIDDER

CARDI CORPORATION
Name of Bidder

[Signature]
Signature in ink

STEPHEN A. CARDI II, VICE PRESIDENT
Printed name and title of person signing on behalf of Bidder

31523
Bidder's Contractor Registration Number



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Department of Labor and Training

Center General Complex
1511 Pontiac Avenue
Cranston, RI 02920-4407

Telephone: (401) 462-8000
TTY: Via RI Relay 711

Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor
Charles J. Fogarty
Director

13. Comply with all applicable provisions of RIGL §37-13-1, et. seq;

Any questions or concerns regarding this CONTRACT ADDENDUM should be addressed to the contractor or subcontractor's attorney. Additional Prevailing Wage information may be obtained from the Department of Labor and Training at www.dlt.ri.gov/pw.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have reviewed this CONTRACT ADDENDUM and understand my obligations as stated above.

By: [Signature]
Title: VICE PRESIDENT

Subscribed and sworn before me this 3 day of MARCH, 2015

[Signature]
Notary Public
My commission expires: 11/15/16



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TTY via RI Relay 711

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

AIA Document A310 Bid Bond

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT WE Cardi Corporation

400 Lincoln Avenue, Warwick, RI 02888

as Principal, hereinafter called the Principal, and Arch Insurance Company

3 Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19102

a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of MO

as Surety, hereinafter called the Surety, are held and firmly bound unto State of Rhode Island

One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908

as Obligee, hereinafter called the Obligee, in the sum of Five Percent of Amount Bid

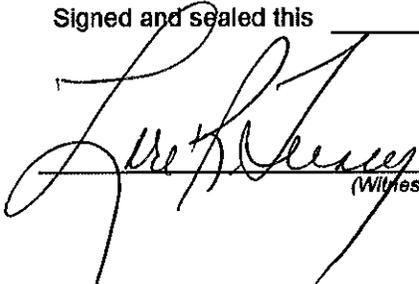
Dollars (\$ 5%),

for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, the said Principal and the said Surety, bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal has submitted a bid for Construction of Site Improvements to World War II Memorial State Park, Woonsocket, RI

NOW, THEREFORE, if the Obligee shall accept the bid of the Principal and the Principal shall enter into a Contract with the Obligee in accordance with the terms of such bid, and give such bond or bonds as may be specified in the bidding or Contract Documents with good and sufficient surety for the faithful performance of such Contract and for the prompt payment of labor and materials furnished in the prosecution thereof, or in the event of the failure of the Principal to enter such Contract and give such bond or bonds, if the Principal shall pay to the Obligee the difference not to exceed the penalty hereof between the amount specified in said bid and such larger amount for which the Obligee may in good faith contract with another party to perform the Work covered by said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Signed and sealed this 24th day of February, 2015

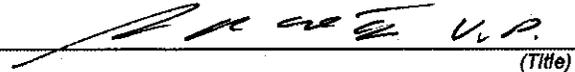

(Witness)

Cardi Corporation

(Principal)

(Seal)

By:


(Title)

Arch Insurance Company

(Surety)

(Seal)

By:


Attorney-in-Fact Joann Dombrowski

(Title)

THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY IS NOT VALID UNLESS IT IS PRINTED ON BLUE BACKGROUND.

This Power of Attorney limits the acts of those named herein, and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent herein stated. Not valid for Mortgage, Note, Loan, Letter of Credit, Bank Deposit, Currency Rate, Interest Rate or Residential Value Guarantees.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know All Persons By These Presents:

That the Arch Insurance Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri, having its principal administrative office in Jersey City, New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as the "Company") does hereby appoint:

Jessica Piccirillo, Joann Dombrowski, Marion R. Vall, Russell M. Canterbury and Susan E. Deak of Farmington, CT (EACH)

its true and lawful Attorney(s) in-Fact, to make, execute, seal, and deliver from the date of issuance of this power for and on its behalf as surety, and as its act and deed:

Any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances and other surety obligations, in the penal sum not exceeding Ninety Million Dollars (\$90,000,000.00).

This authority does not permit the same obligation to be split into two or more bonds in order to bring each such bond within the dollar limit of authority as set forth herein.

The execution of such bonds, undertakings, recognizances and other surety obligations in pursuance of these presents shall be as binding upon the said Company as fully and amply to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been duly executed and acknowledged by its regularly elected officers at its principal administrative office in Jersey City, New Jersey.

This Power of Attorney is executed by authority of resolutions adopted by unanimous consent of the Board of Directors of the Company on September 15, 2011, true and accurate copies of which are hereinafter set forth and are hereby certified to by the undersigned Secretary as being in full force and effect:

VOTED, That the Chairman of the Board, the President, or the Executive Vice President, or any Senior Vice President, of the Surety Business Division, or their appointees designated in writing and filed with the Secretary, or the Secretary shall have the power and authority to appoint agents and attorneys-in-fact, and to authorize them subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, to execute on behalf of the Company, and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds, undertakings, recognizances and other surety obligations obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such officers of the Company may appoint agents for acceptance of process.

This Power of Attorney is signed, sealed and certified by facsimile under and by authority of the following resolution adopted by the unanimous consent of the Board of Directors of the Company on September 15, 2011:

VOTED, That the signature of the Chairman of the Board, the President, or the Executive Vice President, or any Senior Vice President, of the Surety Business Division, or their appointees designated in writing and filed with the Secretary, and the signature of the Secretary, the seal of the Company, and certifications by the Secretary, may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney or bond executed pursuant to the resolution adopted by the Board of Directors on September 15, 2011, and any such power so executed, sealed and certified with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, shall continue to be valid and binding upon the Company.

In Testimony Whereof, the Company has caused this instrument to be signed and its corporate seal to be affixed by their authorized officers, this 3rd day of December, 2014.

Attested and Certified

Arch Insurance Company

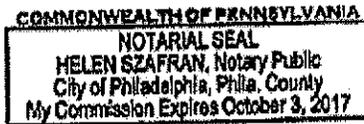
Patrick K. Nails
Patrick K. Nails, Secretary



David M. Finkelstein
David M. Finkelstein, Executive Vice President

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA SS
COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA SS

I, Helen Szafran, a Notary Public, do hereby certify that Patrick K. Nails and David M. Finkelstein personally known to me to be the same persons whose names are respectively as Secretary and Executive Vice President of the Arch Insurance Company, a Corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri, subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and severally acknowledged that they being thereunto duly authorized signed, sealed with the corporate seal and delivered the said instrument as the free and voluntary act of said corporation and as their own free and voluntary acts for the uses and purposes therein set forth.



Helen Szafran
Helen Szafran, Notary Public
My commission expires 10/03/2017

CERTIFICATION

I, Patrick K. Nails, Secretary of the Arch Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the attached Power of Attorney dated December 3, 2014 on behalf of the person(s) as listed above is a true and correct copy and that the same has been in full force and effect since the date thereof and is in full force and effect on the date of this certificate; and I do further certify that the said David M. Finkelstein, who executed the Power of Attorney as Executive Vice President, was on the date of execution of the attached Power of Attorney the duly elected Executive Vice President of the Arch Insurance Company.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the corporate seal of the Arch Insurance Company on this 27th day of February, 2015.

Patrick K. Nails
Patrick K. Nails, Secretary

This Power of Attorney limits the acts of those named therein to the bonds and undertakings specifically named therein and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent herein stated.

PLEASE SEND ALL CLAIM INQUIRIES RELATING TO THIS BOND TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

Arch Insurance – Surety Division
3 Parkway, Suite 1500
Philadelphia, PA 19102



Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the
 requester. Do not
 send to the IRS.**

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank. STEPHEN A. CARZI II		
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above CARZI CORPORATION		
	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification; check only one of the following seven boxes: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____ Note. For a single-member LLC that is disregarded, do not check LLC; check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ _____		4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____ <i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</i>
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) 400 LINCOLN AVENUE		Requester's name and address (optional)
	6 City, state, and ZIP code WARWICK, RI 02888		
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)		

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1 and the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶ [Signature]	Date ▶ 3/3/15
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. Information about developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) is at www.irs.gov/fw9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)

- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See *What is backup withholding?* on page 2.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
- Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and
- Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting?* on page 2 for further information.

Note. If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States:

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 28% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),

3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,

4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or

5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code* on page 3 and the separate instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships* above.

What is FATCA reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code* on page 3 and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note. **ITIN applicant:** Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. **Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C Corporation, or S Corporation.** Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity name." If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

Line 3

Check the appropriate box in line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box in line 3.

Limited Liability Company (LLC). If the name on line 1 is an LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and enter "P" in the space provided. If the LLC has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and in the space provided enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation. If it is a single-member LLC that is a disregarded entity, do not check the "Limited Liability Company" box; instead check the first box in line 3 "Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC."

Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space in line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

- 1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)
- 2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities
- 5—A corporation
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission
- 8—A real estate investment trust
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- 10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)
- 11—A financial institution
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 ²
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

G—A real estate investment trust

H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J—A bank as defined in section 581

K—A broker

L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M—A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

Note. You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on this page), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note. See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.ssa.gov. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/businesses and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note. Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if items 1, 4, or 5 below indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code* earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1983 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The grantor-trustee ¹ The actual owner ¹
5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ²
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor [*]
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 2.

*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note. If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes. Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: spam@uce.gov or contact them at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit IRS.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.