Ohio Revised Code
Section 153.571 Form of bond.
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The bond provided for in division (B) of section 153.54 of the Revised Code shall be in substantially
the following form, and recovery of any claimant thereunder shall be subject to sections 153.01 to
153.60 of the Revised Code, to the same extent as if the provisions of such sections were fully
incorporated in the bond form:

"KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, the undersigned _________________
as principal and _____________ as sureties, are hereby held and firmly bound unto
______________ as obligee in the penal sum of the dollar amount of the bid submitted by the
principal to the obligee on ______________ to undertake the project known as ________________
The penal sum referred to herein shall be the dollar amount of the principal's bid to the obligee,
incorporating any additive or deductive alternate bids made by the principal on the date referred to
above to the obligee, which are accepted by the obligee. In no case shall the penal sum exceed the
amount of ____________ dollars. (If the foregoing blank is not filled in, the penal sum will be the
full amount of the principal's bid, including alternates. Alternatively, if the blank is filled in, the
amount stated must not be less than the full amount of the bid including alternates, in dollars and
cents. A percentage is not acceptable.) For the payment of the penal sum well and truly to be made,
we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and
assigns.

Signed this _______________ day of _____________, ____ THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE
OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that whereas the above named principal has submitted a bid for
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Now, therefore, if the obligee accepts the bid of the principal and the principal fails to enter into a
proper contract in accordance with the bid, plans, details, specifications, and bills of material; and in
the event the principal pays to the obligee the difference not to exceed ten per cent of the penalty
hereof between the amount specified in the bid and such larger amount for which the obligee may in
good faith contract with the next lowest bidder to perform the work covered by the bid; or in the
event the obligee does not award the contract to the next lowest bidder and resubmits the project for bidding, the principal pays to the obligee the difference not to exceed ten per cent of the penalty hereof between the amount specified in the bid, or the costs, in connection with the resubmission, of printing new contract documents, required advertising, and printing and mailing notices to prospective bidders, whichever is less, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect; if the obligee accepts the bid of the principal and the principal within ten days after the awarding of the contract enters into a proper contract in accordance with the bid, plans, details, specifications, and bills of material, which said contract is made a part of this bond the same as though set forth herein;

Now also, if the said ________________ shall well and faithfully do and perform the things agreed by ________________ to be done and performed according to the terms of said contract; and shall pay all lawful claims of subcontractors, materials suppliers, and laborers, for labor performed and materials furnished in the carrying forward, performing, or completing of said contract; we agreeing and assenting that this undertaking shall be for the benefit of any materials supplier or laborer having a just claim, as well as for the obligee herein; then this obligation shall be void; otherwise the same shall remain in full force and effect; it being expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the surety for any and all claims hereunder shall in no event exceed the penal amount of this obligation as herein stated.

The said surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no modifications, omissions, or additions, in or to the terms of the said contract or in or to the plans or specifications therefor shall in any wise affect the obligations of said surety on its bond."