

**THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
EASTERN DIVISION
No. 4:14-cv-8-D**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR
THE USE OF STRATEGIC ENERGY
SERVICES, LLC and STRATEGIC
ENERGY SERVICES, LLC (in its own
capacity),

Plaintiffs,

v.

ACE ELECTRIC, INC., HARTFORD
CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY,
TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND
SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA,
FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY
OF MARYLAND, LIBERTY MUTUAL
INSURANCE COMPANY, and
FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendants.

ORDER GRANTING
MOTION TO COMPEL
ARBITRATION AND STAY
LITIGATION

This matter came before the Court on Defendant Ace Electric, Inc.'s ("Ace") Motion to Compel Arbitration and Stay Litigation. Upon consideration of Ace's motion and the briefs of counsel, the Court finds it appropriate to grant Ace's motion.

WHEREFORE, it is ORDERED that Ace's Motion to Compel Arbitration and Stay Litigation is GRANTED. It is further ORDERED that

1. Ace and SES shall arbitrate their dispute in accordance with the arbitration agreement set forth in the parties' written sub-subcontract.
2. Pursuant to the arbitration agreement, the arbitration shall be conducted in Valdosta, Georgia.
3. This action shall be stayed as to all remaining Defendants.
4. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over this action pending the outcome of the arbitration. Upon conclusion of the arbitration, the Court will conduct such proceedings as may be appropriate to bring this matter to conclusion.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED, this 6 day of May, 2014.



The Honorable James C. Dever, III
Chief Judge, United States District Court
Eastern District of North Carolina