UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 1, 2012

BRADY CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Wisconsin (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-14959 (Commission File Number) **39-0971239** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

6555 West Good Hope Road Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53223 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (414) 358-6600

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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D Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT

On February 1, 2012, Brady Corporation (the "Corporation") and certain of its subsidiaries entered into an unsecured \$300 million revolving credit agreement with a group of six banks that replaced and terminated the Corporation's previous \$200 million revolving credit agreement that had been entered into on October 5, 2006 and amended on March 18, 2008. No fees were paid by the Corporation for terminating the previous credit agreement prior to its expiration date.

Under the new credit agreement, which has a final maturity date of February 1, 2017, the Corporation has the option to select either a base interest rate (based upon the higher of the federal funds rate plus one-half of 1% or the prime rate of Bank of America plus a margin based on the Company's consolidated leverage ratio) or a Eurocurrency interest rate (at the LIBOR rate plus a margin based on the Company's consolidated leverage ratio). The new credit agreement is guaranteed by the Corporation's domestic subsidiaries and contains various financial covenants, including a debt-to-EBITDA ratio of 3.25-to-1.0 and an interest coverage ratio of 3.0-to-1.0. A commitment fee is payable on the unused amount of the credit facility. The Corporation intends to use the flexibility provided by the new credit agreement to refinance existing debt, to fund future acquisitions, and for general corporate purposes.

The foregoing description of the new credit agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the agreement, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2.01 TERMINATION OF A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT

The information set forth above under Item 1.01 is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2.03 CREATION OF A DIRECT FINANCIAL OBLIGATION OR AN OBLIGATION UNDER AN OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENT OF A REGISTRANT

The information set forth above under Item 1.01 is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

The following are filed as Exhibits to this Report.

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibit
10.1	Revolving Credit Agreement, dated as of February 1, 2012, by and among Brady Corporation and certain of its subsidiaries and the lenders listed therein.

99.1 Press Release of Brady Corporation, dated February 1, 2012, relating to new credit agreement

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BRADY CORPORATION

Date: February 7, 2012

/s/ Thomas J. Felmer Thomas J. Felmer Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

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Dated as of February 1, 2012

among

BRADY CORPORATION,

and

CERTAIN SUBSIDIARIES OF BRADY CORPORATION IDENTIFIED HEREIN, as Borrowers,

CERTAIN SUBSIDIARIES OF THE BORROWERS IDENTIFIED HEREIN, as the Guarantors,

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer,

THE OTHER LENDERS PARTY HERETO

and

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION and BMO HARRIS BANK, N.A., as Co-Syndication Agents

Arranged By:

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED, WELLS FARGO SECURITIES, LLC and BMO HARRIS BANK, N.A.,

as Joint Lead Arrangers and Joint Book Managers

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CREDIT AGREEMENT

This CREDIT AGREEMENT is entered into as of February 1, 2012 among BRADY CORPORATION, a Wisconsin corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), certain Subsidiaries of the Company party hereto pursuant to <u>Section 2.14</u> (each a "<u>Designated Borrower</u>" and, together with the Company, the "<u>Borrowers</u>" and each a "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Guarantors (defined herein), the Lenders (defined herein) and BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer.

The Company has requested that the Lenders provide a \$300,000,000 senior credit facility for the purposes set forth herein, and the Lenders are willing to do so on the terms and conditions set forth herein.

In consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties hereto covenant and agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS AND ACCOUNTING TERMS

1.01 Defined Terms.

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

"<u>Acquisition</u>" means any transaction or series of related transactions for the purpose of or resulting, directly or indirectly, in (a) the acquisition of all or substantially all of the assets of a Person, or of all or substantially all of any business or division of a Person, (b) the acquisition of in excess of 50% of the Capital Stock of any Person, or otherwise causing any Person to become a Subsidiary, or (c) a merger or consolidation or any other combination with another Person; <u>provided</u> that the Company or a Subsidiary is the surviving entity.

"<u>Administrative Agent</u>" means Bank of America in its capacity as administrative agent under any of the Loan Documents, or any successor administrative agent.

"<u>Administrative Agent's Office</u>" means, with respect to any currency, the Administrative Agent's address and, as appropriate, account as set forth on <u>Schedule 11.02</u> with respect to such currency, or such other address or account with respect to such currency as the Administrative Agent may from time to time notify to the Company and the Lenders.

"<u>Administrative Questionnaire</u>" means an Administrative Questionnaire in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit 11.06(b)(iv)</u> or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent.

"Affiliate" of any Person means any other Person which, directly or indirectly, controls or is controlled by or is under common control with such Person.

"<u>Aggregate Revolving Commitments</u>" means the Revolving Commitments of all the Lenders. The aggregate principal amount of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments in effect on the Closing Date is THREE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS (\$300,000,000).

"Agreement" means this Credit Agreement, as amended, restated, modified, supplemented and extended from time to time.

"<u>Alternative Currency</u>" means each of Euro, Sterling, Australian Dollars, Singapore Dollars, Japanese Yen, Canadian Dollars and each other currency (other than Dollars) that is approved in accordance with <u>Section 1.07</u>.

"<u>Alternative Currency Equivalent</u>" means, at any time, with respect to any amount denominated in Dollars, the equivalent amount thereof in the applicable Alternative Currency as determined by the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, at such time on the basis of the Spot Rate (determined in respect of the most recent Revaluation Date) for the purchase of such Alternative Currency with Dollars.

"<u>Alternative Currency Sublimit</u>" means an amount equal to the lesser of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments and \$100,000,000. The Alternative Currency Sublimit is part of, and not in addition to, the Aggregate Revolving Commitments.

"<u>Applicable Rate</u>" means the following percentages per annum, based upon the Consolidated Net Leverage Ratio as set forth in the most recent Compliance Certificate received by the Administrative Agent pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(c)</u>:

Pricing Level	Consolidated Net Leverage Ratio	Commitment Fee	Letters of Credit*	Eurocurrency Rate Loans	Base Rate Loans
1	<1.25:1.0	0.150%	1.000%	1.000%	0.000%
2	³ 1.25:1.0 but <2.0:1.0	0.175%	1.125%	1.125%	0.125%
3	³ 2.0:1.0 but <2.5:1.0	0.200%	1.375%	1.375%	0.375%
4	³ 2.5:1.0 but <3.0:1.0	0.250%	1.625%	1.625%	0.625%
5	³ 3.0:1.0	0.300%	2.000%	2.000%	1.000%

* The Applicable Rate for performance standby Letters of Credit with respect to non-financial contractual obligations shall be equal to 50% of the Applicable Rate for Letters of Credit set forth above.

Any increase or decrease in the Applicable Rate resulting from a change in the Consolidated Net Leverage Ratio shall become effective as of the first Business Day immediately following the date a Compliance Certificate is required to be delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(c)</u>; provided, however, that if a Compliance Certificate is not delivered when due in accordance with such Section, then, upon the request of the Required Lenders, Pricing Level 5 shall apply as of the first Business Day after the date on which such Compliance Certificate was required to have been delivered and shall continue to apply until the first Business Day immediately following the date a Compliance Certificate is delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(c)</u>, whereupon the Applicable Rate shall be adjusted based upon the calculation of the Consolidated Net Leverage Ratio contained in such Compliance Certificate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Applicable Rate in effect from the Closing Date through the first Business Day immediately following the date a Compliances Day immediately following the date a Complicable Rate in effect from the Closing Date through the first Business Day immediately following the date a Complicate Using S Day immediately following the date a Complicate Using Date through the first Business Day immediately following the date a Complicate Using Date through the first Business Day immediately following the date a Compliance Certificate Using Date Using Da

"<u>Applicable Time</u>" means, with respect to any borrowings and payments in any Alternative Currency, the local time in the place of settlement for such Alternative Currency as may be determined by the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, to be necessary for timely settlement on the relevant date in accordance with normal banking procedures in the place of payment.

"<u>Approved Fund</u>" means any Fund that is administered or managed by (a) a Lender, (b) an Affiliate of a Lender or (c) an entity or an Affiliate of an entity that administers or manages a Lender.

"<u>Assignment and Assumption</u>" means an assignment and assumption entered into by a Lender and an Eligible Assignee (with the consent of any party whose consent is required by <u>Section 11.06(b)</u>), and accepted by the Administrative Agent, in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit 11.06(b)</u> or any other form (including electronic documentation generated by MarkitClear or other electronic platform) approved by the Administrative Agent.

"<u>Audited Financial Statements</u>" means the audited consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its Subsidiaries for the Fiscal Year ended July 31, 2011, and the related consolidated statements of income or operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows for such Fiscal Year of the Company and its Subsidiaries, including the notes thereto.

"<u>Availability Period</u>" means the period from and including the Closing Date to the earliest of (a) the Maturity Date, (b) the date of termination of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments pursuant to <u>Section 2.06</u>, and (c) the date of termination of the commitment of each Lender to make Loans and of the obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions pursuant to <u>Section 9.02</u>.

"Bank of America" means Bank of America, N.A. and its successors.

"<u>Base Rate</u>" means for any day a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the highest of (a) the Federal Funds Rate <u>plus</u> 0.50%, (b) the rate of interest in effect for such day as publicly announced from time to time by Bank of America as its "prime rate" and (c) the Eurocurrency Base Rate <u>plus</u> 1.0%. The "prime rate" is a rate set by Bank of America based upon various factors including Bank of America's costs and desired return, general economic conditions and other factors, and is used as a reference point for pricing some loans, which may be priced at, above, or below such announced rate. Any change in such "prime rate" announced by Bank of America shall take effect at the opening of business on the day specified in the public announcement of such change.

"Base Rate Loan" means a Loan that bears interest based on the Base Rate. All Base Rate Loans shall be denominated in Dollars.

"Borrower Materials" has the meaning specified in Section 7.01.

"Borrowers" has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph hereto, and "Borrower" means any one of them.

"<u>Borrowing</u>" means a borrowing consisting of simultaneous Loans of the same Type, in the same currency and, in the case of Eurocurrency Rate Loans, having the same Interest Period made by each of the Lenders pursuant to <u>Section 2.01</u>.

"<u>Brady Finance Luxembourg</u>" means Brady Finance Luxembourg, a private limited liability company (*société à responsabilité limitée*), organized under the laws of Luxembourg, having its registered office at 2-8 avenue Charles de Gaulle, L-1653 Luxembourg, registered with the Luxembourg Companies Register under number B.153.389 and having a share capital of EUR 15,000.

"<u>Business Day</u>" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks are authorized to close under the Laws of, or are in fact closed in, the state where the Administrative Agent's Office with respect to Obligations denominated in Dollars is located and (a) if such day relates to any interest rate settings as to a Eurocurrency Rate Loan denominated in Dollars, any

fundings, disbursements, settlements and payments in Dollars in respect of any such Eurocurrency Rate Loan, or any other dealings in Dollars to be carried out pursuant to this Agreement in respect of any such Eurocurrency Rate Loan, means any London Banking Day; (b) if such day relates to any interest rate settings as to a Eurocurrency Rate Loan denominated in Euro, any fundings, disbursements, settlements and payments in Euro in respect of any such Eurocurrency Rate Loan, or any other dealings in Euro to be carried out pursuant to this Agreement in respect of any such Eurocurrency Rate Loan, means a TARGET Day; (c) if such day relates to any interest rate settings as to a Eurocurrency Rate Loan denominated in a currency other than Dollars or Euro, means any such day on which dealings in deposits in the relevant currency are conducted by and between banks in the London or other applicable offshore interbank market for such currency; and (d) if such day relates to any fundings, disbursements, settlements and payments in a currency other than Dollars or Euro in respect of a Eurocurrency Rate Loan denominated in a currency other than Dollars or Euro, or any other dealings in any currency other than Dollars or Euro to be carried out pursuant to this Agreement in respect of any such Eurocurrency Rate Loan (other than any interest rate settings), means any such day on which banks are open for foreign exchange business in the principal financial center of the country of such currency.

"<u>Capital Lease</u>" means, with respect to any Person, any lease of (or other agreement conveying the right to use) any real or personal property by such Person that, in conformity with GAAP, is accounted for as a capital lease on the balance sheet of such Person.

"<u>Capital Stock</u>" means (i) in the case of a corporation, capital stock, (ii) in the case of an association or business entity, any and all shares, interests, participations, rights or other equivalents (however designated) of capital stock, (iii) in the case of a partnership, partnership interests (whether general or limited), (iv) in the case of a limited liability company, membership interests and (v) any other interest or participation that confers on a Person the right to receive a share of the profits and losses of, or distributions of assets of, the issuing Person.

"<u>Cash Collateralize</u>" means to deposit in a Controlled Account or to pledge and deposit with or deliver to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of one or more of the L/C Issuer or the Lenders, as collateral for L/C Obligations or obligations of the Lenders to fund participations in respect of L/C Obligations, cash or deposit account balances or, if the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer shall agree in their sole discretion, other credit support, in each case pursuant to documentation in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer. "<u>Cash Collateral</u>" shall have a meaning correlative to the foregoing and shall include the proceeds of such cash collateral and other credit support.

"<u>Cash Equivalents</u>" means, as at any date, (a) treasury bills, treasury cash management bills and other securities issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the United States or any agency or instrumentality thereof (provided that the full faith and credit of the United States is pledged in support thereof) having maturities of not more than twelve months from the date of acquisition, (b) bank deposits, time deposits, certificates of deposit and bankers acceptances, in each case of (i) any Lender or (ii) any commercial bank of recognized standing having capital and surplus in excess of \$100,000,000 (each, an "Approved Lender"), (c) commercial paper issued by any Approved Lender (or by the parent company thereof) which is of investment grade provided, the aggregate principal amount of commercial paper issued by any one issuer shall not exceed \$10,000,000, (d) unrated commercial paper issued by Wisconsin corporations, provided, the aggregate principal amount of commercial paper issued by any one issuer shall not exceed \$5,000,000, (e) repurchase agreements with an Approved Lender, but only to the extent the same is used as an overnight or over weekend investment, (f) obligations of any state of the United States or any political subdivision thereof, the interest with respect to which is entirely exempt from federal income taxation under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code and having a rating of A or above by S&P, (g) investments in municipal put bonds and municipal market auction notes and bonds rated A or above by S&P,

(h) investments, classified in accordance with GAAP as current assets, in adjustable rate preferred stock (which must be purchased at the call price or below) and money market investment programs registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, in each case, which are administered by reputable financial institutions having capital of at least \$100,000,000, 70% of the interest with respect to which is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code, and having a rating of A or above by S&P, (i) VEBA investments in municipal put bonds and notes, money market preferred stock and commercial paper, in each case, the interest with respect to which is taxable, and having a long term rating of A or above by S&P and (j) with respect to any Foreign Subsidiary, short-term investments utilized by such Foreign Subsidiary in accordance with normal investment practices for cash management in investments analogous to the foregoing investments in clause (h) above.

"<u>Change in Law</u>" means the occurrence, after the Closing Date, of any of the following: (a) the adoption or taking effect of any Law, (b) any change in any Law or in the administration, interpretation, implementation or application thereof by any Governmental Authority or (c) the making or issuance of any request, rule, guideline or directive (whether or not having the force of Law) by any Governmental Authority; <u>provided</u> that notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (i) the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and all requests, rules, guidelines or directives thereunder or issued in connection therewith by a Governmental Authority and (ii) all requests, rules, guidelines or directives promulgated by the Bank for International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or the United States or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III, shall in each case be deemed to be a "Change in Law", regardless of the date enacted, adopted or issued.

"Closing Date" means the date hereof.

"Commitment" means, as to each Lender, the Revolving Commitment of such Lender.

"Company" has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"Compliance Certificate" means a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit 7.01.

"Computation Period" means each period of four consecutive Fiscal Quarters ending on the last day of a Fiscal Quarter.

"<u>Connection Income Taxes</u>" means Other Connection Taxes that are imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated) or that are franchise Taxes or branch profits Taxes.

"<u>Consolidated EBITDA</u>" means, for any period, Consolidated Net Income for such period <u>plus</u>, (a) to the extent deducted in computing such Consolidated Net Income and without duplication, (i) depreciation and amortization expense for such period, (ii) Consolidated Interest Expense for such period, (iii) income tax expense for such period, (iv) other non-cash charges for such period (excluding any write-down of current assets and any such non-cash charges to the extent that such charge represents an accrual of or reserve for a future cash payment), (v) acquisition-related restructuring charges and acquisition-related fees in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 during any twelve month period and (vi) non-cash losses realized in connection with a sale or other disposition of assets, <u>minus</u> (b) to the extent included in computing such Consolidated Net Income and without duplication, (i) non-cash income for such period (excluding any non-cash income to the extent that such income represents a receivable or asset for a future cash receipt) and (ii) non-cash gains realized in connection with a sale or other disposition of assets, all as determined in accordance with GAAP. For purposes of calculating Consolidated EBITDA for any period of four consecutive quarters, if during such period the Company or any Subsidiary shall have consummated an Acquisition, Consolidated EBITDA for such period shall be

calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto as if such transaction occurred on the first day of such period and if during such period, the Company or any Subsidiary shall have consummated a disposition, Consolidated EBITDA for such period shall be calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto as if such transaction occurred on the last day of the previous period.

"<u>Consolidated Funded Debt</u>" means all Debt of the Company and its Subsidiaries, excluding (i) contingent obligations in respect of undrawn letters of credit, bank guarantees and banker's acceptances and Suretyship Liabilities in respect of obligations not constituting Debt, (ii) net obligations under Hedging Agreements, (iii) Securitization Obligations to the extent such obligations would not be required to be included on the consolidated balance sheet of the Company in accordance with GAAP and (iv) obligations to pay the deferred purchase price of services.

"<u>Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio</u>" means, for any Computation Period, the ratio of (a) Consolidated EBITDA for such Computation Period to (b) Consolidated Interest Expense for such Computation Period.

"<u>Consolidated Interest Expense</u>" means, for any Computation Period, the consolidated interest expense of the Company and its Subsidiaries for such Computation Period, as determined in accordance with GAAP.

"<u>Consolidated Leverage Ratio</u>" means, for any Computation Period, the ratio of (i) Consolidated Funded Debt as of the last day of such Computation Period to (ii) Consolidated EBITDA for such Computation Period.

"<u>Consolidated Net Income</u>" means, for any period, for the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, the net income (or loss) of the Company and its Subsidiaries (excluding (a) all extraordinary items and (b) income or loss of any Person in which the Company and its Subsidiaries own less than 50% of the Capital Stock thereof) for that period, as determined in accordance with GAAP.

"<u>Consolidated Net Leverage Ratio</u>" means, for any Computation Period, the ratio of (a) the difference of (i) Consolidated Funded Debt as of the last day of such Computation Period <u>minus</u> (ii) Specified Cash as of the last day of such Computation Period to (b) Consolidated EBITDA for such Computation Period.

"<u>Contractual Obligation</u>" means, as to any Person, any provision of any security issued by such Person or of any agreement, instrument or other undertaking to which such Person is a party or by which it or any of its property is bound.

"<u>Controlled Account</u>" means each deposit account and securities account that is subject to an account control agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer.

"<u>Controlled Group</u>" means all members of a controlled group of corporations and all members of a controlled group of trades or businesses (whether or not incorporated) under common control which, together with the Company, are treated as a single employer under Section 414 of the Internal Revenue Code or Section 4001 of ERISA.

"Credit Extension" means each of the following: (a) a Borrowing and (b) an L/C Credit Extension.

"Debt" of any Person means, without duplication, (a) all indebtedness of such Person for borrowed money, whether or not evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments, (b) all obligations of such Person as lessee under Capital Leases which have been or should be recorded as liabilities on a balance sheet of such Person, (c) all obligations of such Person to pay the deferred purchase price of property or services (excluding (i) trade and similar accounts payable and accrued expenses in the ordinary course of business and (ii) accrued pension costs and other employee benefit and compensation obligations arising in the ordinary course of business), (d) all indebtedness secured by a Lien on the property of such Person, whether or not such indebtedness shall have been assumed by such Person (it being understood that if such Person has not assumed or otherwise become personally liable for any such indebtedness, the amount of the Debt of such Person in connection therewith shall be limited to the lesser of the face amount of such indebtedness and the fair market value of all property of such Person securing such indebtedness), (e) all obligations, contingent or otherwise, under letters of credit (whether or not drawn), including the Letters of Credit, but otherwise excluding trade letters of credit, and banker's acceptances issued for the account of such Person, (f) all Securitization Obligations of such Person, to the extent such obligations would be required to be included on the consolidated balance sheet of the Company in accordance with GAAP, (g) the net obligations of such Person under Hedging Agreements, (h) all Suretyship Liabilities of such Person with respect to obligations of the type described in any of the foregoing clauses (a) through (g) and (i) all Debt of any partnership in which such Person is a general partner. The amount of any net obligation under any Hedging Agreement on any date shall be deemed to be the Swap Termination Value thereof as of such date. If any of the foregoing Debt is limited to recourse against a particular asset or assets of such Person, the amount of the corresponding Debt shall be equal to the lesser of the amount of such Debt and the fair market value of such asset or assets at the date for determination of the amount of such Debt. The amount of Debt of the Company and its Subsidiaries hereunder shall be calculated without duplication of Suretyship Liabilities of the Company or any Subsidiary in respect thereof. "Debt" shall not include (1) indebtedness owing to the Company by any Subsidiary or indebtedness owing to any Subsidiary by the Company or another Subsidiary, (2) any customary earnout or holdback in connection with Acquisitions permitted hereunder, (3) any obligations of the Company or its Subsidiaries in respect of customer advances received and held in the ordinary course of business, (4) performance bonds or performance guaranties (or bank guaranties or letters of credit in lieu thereof) entered into in the ordinary course of business or (5) defeased indebtedness.

"Debtor Relief Laws" means the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, and all other liquidation, conservatorship, bankruptcy, assignment for the benefit of creditors, moratorium, rearrangement, receivership, insolvency, reorganization, or similar debtor relief Laws of the United States or other applicable jurisdictions from time to time in effect and affecting the rights of creditors generally and a Luxembourg Insolvency Event.

"Default" means any event or condition that constitutes an Event of Default or that, with the giving of any notice, the passage of time, or both, would be an Event of Default.

"<u>Default Rate</u>" means (a) when used with respect to Obligations other than Letter of Credit Fees, an interest rate equal to (i) the Base Rate <u>plus</u> (ii) the Applicable Rate, if any, applicable to Base Rate Loans <u>plus</u> (iii) 2% per annum; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that with respect to a Eurocurrency Rate Loan, the Default Rate shall be an interest rate equal to the interest rate (including any Applicable Rate and any Mandatory Cost) otherwise applicable to such Loan <u>plus</u> 2% per annum, in each case to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws and (b) when used with respect to Letter of Credit Fees, a rate equal to the Applicable Rate <u>plus</u> 2% per annum, in all cases to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws.

"Defaulting Lender" means, subject to Section 2.16(b), any Lender that (a) has failed to (i) fund all or any portion of its Loans within two Business Days of the date such Loans were required to be funded hereunder unless such Lender notifies the Administrative Agent and the Company in writing that

such failure is the result of such Lender's good faith determination that one or more conditions precedent to funding (each of which conditions precedent, together with any applicable default, shall be specifically identified in such writing) has not been satisfied, or (ii) pay to the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, the Swing Line Lender or any other Lender any other amount required to be paid by it hereunder (including in respect of its participation in Letters of Credit or Swing Line Loans) within two Business Days of the date when due, (b) has notified the Company, the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or the Swing Line Lender in writing that it does not intend or expect to comply with all or any portion of its funding obligations hereunder, or has made a public statement to that effect (unless such writing or public statement relates to such Lender's obligation to fund a Loan hereunder and states that such position is based on such Lender's good faith determination that a condition precedent to funding (which condition precedent, together with any applicable default, shall be specifically identified in such writing or public statement) cannot be satisfied), (c) has failed, within three Business Days after written request by the Administrative Agent or the Company, to confirm in writing to the Administrative Agent and the Company that it will comply with its prospective funding obligations hereunder (provided that such Lender shall cease to be a Defaulting Lender pursuant to this clause (c) upon receipt of such written confirmation by the Administrative Agent and the Company), or (d) has, or has a direct or indirect parent company that has, (i) become the subject of a proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or (ii) had appointed for it a receiver, custodian, conservator, trustee, administrator, assignee for the benefit of creditors or similar Person charged with reorganization or liquidation of its business or assets, including the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other state or federal regulatory authority acting in such a capacity; provided that a Lender shall not be a Defaulting Lender solely by virtue of the ownership or acquisition of any equity interest in that Lender or any direct or indirect parent company thereof by a Governmental Authority so long as such ownership interest does not result in or provide such Lender with immunity from the jurisdiction of courts within the United States or from the enforcement of judgments or writs of attachment on its assets or permit such Lender (or such Governmental Authority) to reject, repudiate, disavow or disaffirm any contracts or agreements made with such Lender. Any determination made in good faith by the Administrative Agent that a Lender is a Defaulting Lender under any one or more of clauses (a) through (d) above, and of the effective date of such status, shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error, and such Lender shall be deemed to be a Defaulting Lender (subject to Section 2.16(b)) as of the date established therefor by the Administrative Agent in a written notice of such determination, which shall be delivered by the Administrative Agent to the Company, the L/C Issuer, the Swing Line Lender and each other Lender promptly following such determination.

"Designated Borrower" has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"Designated Borrower Notice" has the meaning specified in Section 2.14.

"Designated Borrower Request and Assumption Agreement," has the meaning specified in Section 2.14.

"Dollar" and "§" mean lawful money of the United States.

"<u>Dollar Equivalent</u>" means, at any time, (a) with respect to any amount denominated in Dollars, such amount, and (b) with respect to any amount denominated in any Alternative Currency, the equivalent amount thereof in Dollars as determined by the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, at such time on the basis of the Spot Rate (determined in respect of the most recent Revaluation Date) for the purchase of Dollars with such Alternative Currency.

"Domestic Borrower" means, collectively, the Company and each Designated Borrower that is a Domestic Subsidiary.

"Domestic Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary that is organized under the Laws of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia.

"Eligible Assignee" means any Person that meets the requirements to be an assignee under <u>Sections 11.06(b)(iii)</u>, (v) and (vii) (subject to such consents, if any, as may be required under <u>Section 11.06(b)(iii)</u>).

"<u>EMU</u>" means the economic and monetary union in accordance with the Treaty of Rome 1957, as amended by the Single European Act 1986, the Maastricht Treaty of 1992 and the Amsterdam Treaty of 1998.

"<u>EMU Legislation</u>" means the legislative measures of the European Council for the introduction of, changeover to or operation of a single or unified European currency.

"<u>Environmental Claims</u>" means all claims, however asserted, by any Governmental Authority or other Person alleging potential liability or responsibility for violation of any Environmental Law, or for release of Hazardous Substances or injury to the environment.

"<u>Environmental Laws</u>" means all federal, state or local Laws, statutes, common law duties, rules, regulations, ordinances and codes, together with all administrative orders, directed and enforceable duties, licenses, authorizations and permits of, and agreements with, any Governmental Authority, in each case relating to environmental matters.

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

"Euro" and "EUR" mean the lawful currency of the Participating Member States introduced in accordance with the EMU Legislation.

"Eurocurrency Base Rate" means,

(a) for any Interest Period with respect to a Eurocurrency Rate Loan, the rate per annum equal to (i) the British Bankers Association LIBOR Rate ("<u>BBA LIBOR</u>"), as published by Reuters (or such other commercially available source providing quotations of BBA LIBOR as may be designated by the Administrative Agent from time to time) at approximately 11:00 a.m., London time, two Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period, for deposits in the relevant currency (for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period) with a term equivalent to such Interest Period or (ii) if such rate is not available at such time for any reason, the rate per annum determined by the Administrative Agent to be the rate at which deposits in the relevant currency for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period in Same Day Funds in the approximate amount of the Eurocurrency Rate Loan being made, continued or converted and with a term equivalent to such Interest Period would be offered by Bank of America's London Branch (or other Bank of America branch or Affiliate) to major banks in the London or other offshore interbank market for such currency at their request at approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) two Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period; and

(b) for any interest calculation with respect to a Base Rate Loan on any date, the rate per annum equal to (i) BBA LIBOR, at approximately 11:00 a.m., London time determined two London Banking Days prior to such date for Dollar deposits being delivered in the London interbank market for a term of one month commencing that day or (ii) if such published rate is not available at such time for any reason, the rate per annum determined by the Administrative Agent to be the rate at which deposits in Dollars for delivery on the date of determination in Same Day

Funds in the approximate amount of the Base Rate Loan being made or maintained and with a term equal to one month would be offered by Bank of America's London Branch to major banks in the London interbank eurodollar market at their request at the date and time of determination.

"<u>Eurocurrency Rate</u>" means, for any Interest Period with respect to any Eurocurrency Rate Loan, a rate per annum determined by the Administrative Agent to be equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (a) the Eurocurrency Base Rate for such Eurocurrency Rate Loan for such Interest Period by (b) one <u>minus</u> the Eurocurrency Reserve Percentage for such Eurocurrency Rate Loan for such Interest Period.

"<u>Eurocurrency Rate Loan</u>" means a Loan that bears interest at a rate based on clause (a) of the definition of "Eurocurrency Base Rate." All Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency must be Eurocurrency Rate Loans.

"<u>Eurocurrency Reserve Percentage</u>" means, for any day during any Interest Period, the reserve percentage (expressed as a decimal, carried out to five decimal places) in effect on such day, whether or not applicable to any Lender, under regulations issued from time to time by the FRB for determining the maximum reserve requirement (including any emergency, supplemental or other marginal reserve requirement) with respect to Eurocurrency funding (currently referred to as "Eurocurrency liabilities"). The Eurocurrency Rate for each outstanding Eurocurrency Rate Loan shall be adjusted automatically as of the effective date of any change in the Eurocurrency Reserve Percentage.

"Event of Default" has the meaning specified in Section 9.01.

"<u>Excluded Subsidiary</u>" means each Securitization Subsidiary and each other Subsidiary (other than any Loan Party) having assets with a net book value of less than \$1,000,000, calculated in accordance with GAAP.

"Excluded Taxes" means any of the following Taxes imposed on or with respect to any Recipient or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to a Recipient, (a) Taxes imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated), franchise Taxes, and branch profits Taxes, in each case, (i) imposed as a result of such Recipient being organized under the laws of, or having its principal office or, in the case of any Lender, its Lending Office located in, the jurisdiction imposing such Tax (or any political or taxing authority subdivision thereof or therein) or (ii) that are Other Connection Taxes, (b) in the case of a Lender, U.S. federal withholding Taxes imposed on amounts payable to or for the account of such Lender with respect to an applicable interest in a Loan or Commitment pursuant to a law in effect on the date on which (i) such Lender changes its Lending Office, except in each case to the extent that, pursuant to <u>Section 3.01(a)(ii)</u> or <u>3.01(c)</u>, amounts with respect to such Taxes were payable either to such Lender's assignor immediately before such Lender became a party hereto or to such Lender immediately before it changed its Lending Office, (c) Taxes attributable to such Recipient's failure to comply with <u>Section 3.01(e)</u> and (d) any U.S. federal withholding Taxes imposed pursuant to FATCA.

"<u>Executive Officer</u>" means the chief financial officer, the chief executive officer, the president, any senior vice president, the treasurer or any assistant treasurer of the Company.

"<u>Existing Credit Agreement</u>" means the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of October 5, 2006 among the Company, various Subsidiaries of the Company, various financial institutions and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, swing line lender and letter of credit issuer.

"Existing Letters of Credit" means those letters of credit listed on Schedule 1.01(a).

"FASB ASC" means the Accounting Standards Codification of the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

"<u>FATCA</u>" means Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Internal Revenue Code, as of the Closing Date (or any amended or successor version that is substantively comparable and not materially more onerous to comply with) and any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof.

"<u>Federal Funds Rate</u>" means, for any day, the rate per annum equal to the weighted average of the rates on overnight federal funds transactions with members of the Federal Reserve System arranged by federal funds brokers on such day, as published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on the Business Day next succeeding such day; <u>provided</u> that (a) if such day is not a Business Day, the Federal Funds Rate for such day shall be such rate on such transactions on the next preceding Business Day as so published on the next succeeding Business Day, and (b) if no such rate is so published on such next succeeding Business Day, the Federal Funds Rate for such day shall be the average rate (rounded upward, if necessary, to a whole multiple of 1/100 of 1%) charged to Bank of America on such day on such transactions as determined by the Administrative Agent.

"Fee Letter" means the letter agreement, dated January 4, 2012 among the Company, the Administrative Agent and MLPFS.

"Fiscal Quarter" means a fiscal quarter of a Fiscal Year.

"<u>Fiscal Year</u>" means the fiscal year of the Company and its Subsidiaries, which period shall be the twelve-month period ending on July 31 of each year or, at the Company's election, the calendar year (so long as such election is consistent with the Company's filings with the SEC).

"<u>Foreign Lender</u>" means (a) if the applicable Borrower is a U.S. Person, a Lender that is not a U.S. Person, and (b) if the applicable Borrower is not a U.S. Person, a Lender that is resident or organized under the Laws of a jurisdiction other than that in which such Borrower is resident for tax purposes. For purposes of this definition, (i) the United States, each State thereof and the District of Columbia shall be deemed to constitute a single jurisdiction and (ii) "Lender" shall include the L/C Issuer.

"Foreign Loan Parties" means, collectively, the Foreign Subsidiaries of the Company that are Designated Borrowers.

"Foreign Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary that is not a Domestic Subsidiary.

"FRB" means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the United States (or any successor thereto).

"Fronting Exposure" means, at any time there is a Defaulting Lender, (a) with respect to the L/C Issuer, such Defaulting Lender's Pro Rata Share of the outstanding L/C Obligations other than L/C Obligations as to which such Defaulting Lender's participation obligation has been reallocated to other Lenders or Cash Collateralized in accordance with the terms hereof, and (b) with respect to the Swing Line Lender, such Defaulting Lender's Pro Rata Share of Swing Line Loans other than Swing Line Loans as to which such Defaulting Lender's participation obligation has been reallocated to other Lenders with the terms hereof.

"<u>Fund</u>" means any Person (other than a natural Person) that is (or will be) engaged in making, purchasing, holding or otherwise investing in commercial loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of its activities.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles set forth from time to time in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (or agencies with similar functions of comparable stature and authority within the United States accounting profession), which are applicable to the circumstances as of the date of determination; <u>provided</u> that, with respect to the financial statements of Foreign Subsidiaries (except to the extent included in the consolidated financial statements of the Company), "GAAP" shall mean the generally accepted accounting principles in the relevant foreign jurisdiction which are set forth from time to time in the opinions and pronouncements of the applicable accounting standards board (or similar agency) of such foreign jurisdiction which are applicable to the circumstances as of the date of determination.

"<u>Governmental Authority</u>" means (a) any nation or government, any state or other political subdivision thereof, any central bank (or similar monetary or regulatory authority) thereof and any entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administrative functions of or pertaining to government (including any supra-national bodies such as the European Union or the European Central Bank) and any group or body charged with setting financial accounting or regulatory capital rules or standards (including, without limitation, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the Bank for International Settlements or the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision or any successor or similar authority to any of the foregoing) and (b) the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

"Guaranty" means the Guaranty made by the Guarantors in favor of the Administrative Agent and the other holders of the Obligations pursuant to <u>Article</u> <u>IV</u>.

"<u>Guarantors</u>" means (a) with respect to all Obligations, each Domestic Subsidiary of the Company identified as a "Guarantor" on the signature pages hereto and each other Person that joins as a Guarantor pursuant to <u>Section 7.16</u> and (b) solely for purposes of <u>Article IV</u>, with respect to the Obligations owing by the Designated Borrowers that are Foreign Subsidiaries, the Domestic Borrowers, in each case, together with their successors and permitted assigns.

"<u>Hazardous Substances</u>" means any hazardous waste, as defined by 42 U.S.C. §6903(5), any hazardous substance as defined by 42 U.S.C. §9601(14), any pollutant or contaminant as defined by 42 U.S.C. §9601(33) or any toxic substance, oil or hazardous material or other chemical or substance regulated by any Environmental Law, excluding household hazardous waste.

"<u>Hedging Agreement</u>" means any interest rate, currency or commodity swap agreement, cap agreement or collar agreement, and any other agreement or arrangement designed to protect against fluctuations in interest rates, currency exchange rates or commodity prices.

"Hedging Obligations" means, with respect to any Person, all liabilities of such Person under Hedging Agreements.

"Honor Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.03(c)(i).

"IFRS" means international accounting standards within the meaning of IAS Regulation 1606/2002 to the extent applicable to the relevant financial statements delivered under or referred to herein.

"<u>Indemnified Taxes</u>" means (a) Taxes, other than Excluded Taxes, imposed on or with respect to any payment made by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document and (b) to the extent not otherwise described in clause (a), Other Taxes.

"Indemnitees" has the meaning specified in Section 11.04.

"Independent Auditor" has the meaning specified in Section 7.01(a).

"Interest Payment Date" means (a) as to any Eurocurrency Rate Loan, the last day of each Interest Period applicable to such Loan and the Maturity Date; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if any Interest Period for a Eurocurrency Rate Loan exceeds three months, the respective dates that fall every three months after the beginning of such Interest Period shall also be Interest Payment Dates; and (b) as to any Base Rate Loan (including a Swing Line Loan), the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December and the Maturity Date.

"<u>Interest Period</u>" means, as to each Eurocurrency Rate Loan, the period commencing on the date such Eurocurrency Rate Loan is disbursed or converted to or continued as a Eurocurrency Rate Loan and ending on the date seven days or one, two, three or six months thereafter (or such other period as all Lenders may agree) as selected by the applicable Borrower in its Loan Notice; <u>provided</u> that:

(a) any Interest Period that would otherwise end on a day that is not a Business Day shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day unless such Business Day falls in another calendar month, in which case such Interest Period shall end on the next preceding Business Day;

(b) any Interest Period that begins on the last Business Day of a calendar month (or on a day for which there is no numerically corresponding day in the calendar month at the end of such Interest Period) shall end on the last Business Day of the calendar month at the end of such Interest Period; and

(c) no Interest Period shall extend beyond the Maturity Date.

"Internal Revenue Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

"<u>Investment</u>" means, as to any Person, any acquisition or investment by such Person, whether by means of (a) the purchase or other acquisition of Capital Stock of another Person, (b) a loan, advance or capital contribution to, incurrence of Suretyship Liability in respect of, or assumption of debt of, or purchase or other acquisition of any other debt or equity participation or interest in, another Person, including any partnership or joint venture interest in such other Person, or (c) an Acquisition. For purposes of covenant compliance, the amount of any Investment shall be the amount actually invested, without adjustment for subsequent increases or decreases in the value of such Investment.

"IRS" means the United States Internal Revenue Service.

"ISP" means, with respect to any Letter of Credit, the "International Standby Practices 1998" published by the Institute of International Banking Law & Practice, Inc. (or such later version thereof as may be in effect at the time of issuance).

"<u>Issuer Documents</u>" means with respect to any Letter of Credit, the Letter of Credit Application, and any other document, agreement and instrument entered into by the L/C Issuer and the applicable Borrower (or any Subsidiary) or in favor of the L/C Issuer and relating to any such Letter of Credit.

"Joinder Agreement" means a joinder agreement substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit 7.16</u> executed and delivered by a Domestic Subsidiary in accordance with the provisions of <u>Section 7.16</u>.

"Laws" means, collectively, all international, foreign, federal, state and local statutes, treaties, rules, guidelines, regulations, ordinances, codes and administrative or judicial precedents or authorities, including the interpretation or administration thereof by any Governmental Authority charged with the enforcement, interpretation or administration thereof, and all applicable administrative orders, directed duties, requests, licenses, authorizations and permits of, and agreements with, any Governmental Authority (other than an agreement where a Governmental Authority is an account obligor), in each case whether or not having the force of Law.

"<u>L/C Advance</u>" means, with respect to each Lender, such Lender's funding of its participation in any L/C Borrowing in accordance with its Pro Rata Share. All L/C Advances shall be denominated in Dollars.

"L/C Borrowing" means an extension of credit resulting from a drawing under any Letter of Credit which has not been reimbursed on the date when made or refinanced as a Borrowing of Revolving Loans. All L/C Borrowings shall be denominated in Dollars.

"L/C Credit Extension" means, with respect to any Letter of Credit, the issuance thereof or extension of the expiry date thereof, or the increase of the amount thereof.

"L/C Issuer" means Bank of America in its capacity as issuer of Letters of Credit hereunder, or any successor issuer of Letters of Credit hereunder. Letters of Credit may be issued in Dollars or in an Alternative Currency.

"<u>L/C Obligations</u>" means, as at any date of determination, the aggregate undrawn amount of all outstanding Letters of Credit <u>plus</u> the aggregate of all Unreimbursed Amounts, including all L/C Borrowings. For purposes of computing the amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with <u>Section 1.10</u>. For all purposes of this Agreement, if on any date of determination a Letter of Credit has expired by its terms but any amount may still be drawn thereunder by reason of the operation of Rule 3.14 of the ISP, such Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be "outstanding" in the amount so remaining available to be drawn.

"<u>Lenders</u>" means each of the Persons identified as a "Lender" on the signature pages hereto, each other Person that becomes a "Lender" in accordance with this Agreement and their successors and assigns and, unless the context requires otherwise, includes the Swing Line Lender and any foreign branch or Affiliate of a Lender as is referenced in <u>Section 2.02(b)</u>.

"<u>Lending Office</u>" means, as to any Lender, the office or offices, branch or Affiliate of such Lender described as such in such Lender's Administrative Questionnaire, or such other office or offices as a Lender may from time to time notify the Company and the Administrative Agent.

"Letter of Credit" means any letter of credit issued hereunder providing for the payment of cash upon the honoring of a presentation thereunder and shall include the Existing Letters of Credit. A Letter of Credit may be a commercial letter of credit or a standby letter of credit.

"Letter of Credit Application" means an application and agreement for the issuance or amendment of a letter of credit in the form from time to time in use by the L/C Issuer with such modifications as the Company and the L/C Issuer may reasonably approve.

"Letter of Credit Expiration Date" means the day that is seven days prior to the Maturity Date then in effect (or, if such day is not a Business Day, the next preceding Business Day).

"Letter of Credit Fee" has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(h).

"Letter of Credit Sublimit" means an amount equal to the lesser of (a) the Aggregate Revolving Commitments and (b) \$25,000,000. The Letter of Credit Sublimit is part of, and not in addition to, the Aggregate Revolving Commitments.

"Lien" means any mortgage, pledge, hypothecation, assignment for security purposes, deposit arrangement, encumbrance, lien (statutory or other), charge or other security interest of any kind or nature whatsoever (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement, any easement, right of way or other encumbrance on title to real property, and any financing lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing).

"Loan" means an extension of credit by a Lender to a Borrower under <u>Article II</u> in the form of a Revolving Loan or a Swing Line Loan.

"Loan Documents" means this Agreement, each Note, each Issuer Document, each Designated Borrower Request and Assumption Agreement, each Joinder Agreement, any agreement entered into by a Loan Party creating or perfecting rights in Cash Collateral pursuant to the provisions of <u>Section 2.16</u> and the Fee Letter.

"Loan Notice" means a notice of (a) a Borrowing of Revolving Loans, (b) a conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, or (c) a continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans, in each case pursuant to <u>Section 2.02(a)</u>, which, if in writing, shall be substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit 2.02</u>.

"Loan Parties" means, collectively, each Borrower and each Guarantor.

"London Banking Day" means any day on which dealings in Dollar deposits are conducted by and between banks in the London interbank eurodollar market.

"Luxembourg Companies Register" means the Luxembourg Register of Commerce and Companies.

"Luxembourg Insolvency Event" means, in relation to a Luxembourg Loan Party or any of its assets, any corporate action, legal proceedings or other procedure or step in relation to bankruptcy (*faillite*), insolvency, liquidation, composition with creditors (*concordat préventif de faillite*), moratorium or reprieve from payment (*sursis de paiement*), controlled management (*gestion contrôlée*), fraudulent conveyance (*action paulienne*) within the meaning of Article 448 of the Luxembourg Code of Commerce, general settlement with creditors, reorganisation or similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally.

"Luxembourg Loan Party" means a Loan Party that is organized under the laws of Luxembourg.

"Mandatory Cost" means, with respect to any period, the percentage rate per annum determined in accordance with Schedule 1.01(b).

"Margin Stock" means any "margin stock" as defined in Regulation U of the FRB.

"<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>" means (a) a material adverse change in, or a material adverse effect upon, the business, assets, liabilities (actual or contingent), operations or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Company and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole (excluding that certain item disclosed in writing to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders prior to the date of this Agreement for purposes of this exclusion) or (b) a material adverse effect upon the legality, validity, binding effect or enforceability against the Company or any other Loan Party of any Loan Document.

"<u>Maturity Date</u>" means February 1, 2017; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u> that if such date is not a Business Day, the Maturity Date shall be the next preceding Business Day.

"Maximum Rate" has the meaning specified in Section 11.09.

"<u>Minimum Collateral Amount</u>" means, at any time, (a) with respect to Cash Collateral consisting of cash or deposit account balances provided to reduce or eliminate Fronting Exposure during the existence of a Defaulting Lender, an amount equal to 103% of the Fronting Exposure of the L/C Issuer with respect to Letters of Credit issued and outstanding at such time, (b) with respect to Cash Collateral consisting of cash or deposit account balances provided in accordance with the provisions of <u>Section 2.03(a)(ii)(B)</u> or <u>Section 2.15(a)(i)</u>, (a)(ii), or (a)(iii), an amount equal to 103% of the Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations, and (c) otherwise, an amount determined by the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer in their sole discretion.

"Minimum Guarantor Threshold" has the meaning specified in Section 7.16.

"MLPFS" means Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, in its capacity as joint lead arranger and joint book manager.

"<u>Multiemployer Pension Plan</u>" means a multiemployer plan, as such term is defined in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA, and to which the Company or any member of the Controlled Group may have any liability.

"<u>Net Cash Proceeds</u>" means, with respect to any sale of assets, the aggregate cash proceeds (including cash proceeds received by way of deferred payment of principal pursuant to a note, installment receivable or otherwise, but only as and when received) received by the Company or any Subsidiary pursuant to such sale, net of (a) the direct costs relating to such sale (including sales commissions and legal, accounting and investment banking fees), (b) taxes paid or reasonably estimated by the Company to be payable as a result thereof (after taking into account any available tax credits or deductions and any tax sharing arrangements), (c) the amount of any reserve established in accordance with GAAP in respect of (i) the sale price of the asset subject to such sale or (ii) liabilities associated with such asset that are retained by the Company or such Subsidiary and (d) amounts required to be applied to the repayment of any Debt secured by a Lien on the asset subject to such sale.

"<u>Non-Consenting Lender</u>" means any Lender that does not approve any consent, waiver or amendment that (a) requires the approval of all Lenders or all affected Lenders in accordance with the terms of <u>Section 11.01</u> and (b) has been approved by the Required Lenders.

"Non-Defaulting Lender" means, at any time, each Lender that is not a Defaulting Lender at such time.

"Note" has the meaning specified in Section 2.11(a).

"<u>Note Purchase Agreement</u>" means (a) the Note Purchase Agreement dated as of June 28, 2004 among the Company, Worldwide, Tricor and the purchasers of notes issued pursuant thereto, together with that certain First Supplement to Note Purchase Agreement dated as of February 14, 2006, that certain Second Supplement to Note Purchase Agreement dated as of March 23, 2007 and any further supplement thereto from time to time, (b) the Note Purchase Agreement dated as of May 13, 2010 among the

Company, Worldwide, Tricor and the purchasers of notes issued pursuant thereto and any supplement thereto from time to time and (c) any other note purchase agreement entered into after the Closing Date pursuant to which one or more investors purchase unsecured notes issued by the Company and/or one or more of its Subsidiaries; <u>provided</u> that any such note purchase agreement shall not be on terms less favorable to the Company and its Subsidiaries than the Note Purchase Agreements identified in clauses (a) and (b) above.

"<u>Obligations</u>" means all advances to, and debts, liabilities, obligations, covenants and duties of, any Loan Party arising under any Loan Document or otherwise with respect to any Loan or Letter of Credit, whether direct or indirect (including those acquired by assumption), absolute or contingent, due or to become due, now existing or hereafter arising and including interest and fees that accrue after the commencement by or against any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Laws naming such Person as the debtor in such proceeding, regardless of whether such interest and fees are allowed claims in such proceeding. The foregoing shall also include (a) all obligations under any Hedging Agreement between any Loan Party and any Lender or Affiliate of a Lender and (b) all obligations under any Treasury Management Agreement between any Loan Party and any Lender.

"<u>Organization Documents</u>" means, (a) with respect to any corporation, the certificate or articles of incorporation and the bylaws (or equivalent or comparable constitutive documents with respect to any non-U.S. jurisdiction); (b) with respect to any limited liability company, the certificate or articles of formation or organization and operating agreement (or equivalent or comparable constitutive documents with respect to any non-U.S. jurisdiction); and (c) with respect to any partnership, joint venture, trust or other form of business entity, the partnership, joint venture or other applicable agreement of formation or organization and any agreement, instrument, filing or notice with respect thereto filed in connection with its formation or organization with the applicable Governmental Authority in the jurisdiction of its formation or organization and, if applicable, any certificate or articles of formation or organization of such entity.

"<u>Other Connection Taxes</u>" means, with respect to any Recipient, Taxes imposed as a result of a present or former connection between such Recipient and the jurisdiction imposing such Taxes (other than connections arising from such Recipient having executed, delivered, become a party to, performed its obligations under, received payments under, received or perfected a security interest under, engaged in any other transaction pursuant to or enforced any Loan Document, or sold or assigned an interest in any Loan or Loan Document).

"<u>Other Taxes</u>" means all present or future stamp, court or documentary, intangible, recording, filing or similar Taxes that arise from any payment made under, from the execution, delivery, performance, enforcement or registration of, from the receipt or perfection of a security interest under, or otherwise with respect to, any Loan Document, except any such Taxes that are Other Connection Taxes imposed with respect to an assignment (other than an assignment made pursuant to <u>Section 3.06</u>) and excluding in any event Excluded Taxes.

"<u>Outstanding Amount</u>" means (a) with respect to any Revolving Loans on any date, the Dollar Equivalent amount of the aggregate outstanding principal amount thereof after giving effect to any borrowings and prepayments or repayments of any Revolving Loans occurring on such date; (b) with respect to Swing Line Loans on any date, the aggregate outstanding principal amount thereof after giving effect to any borrowings and prepayments of such Swing Line Loans occurring on such date and (c) with respect to any L/C Obligations on any date, the Dollar Equivalent amount of the aggregate outstanding amount of such L/C Obligations on such date after giving effect to any L/C Credit Extension occurring on such date and any other changes in the aggregate amount of the L/C Obligations as of such date, including as a result of any reimbursements of outstanding unpaid drawings under any Letters of Credit or any reductions in the maximum amount available for drawing under Letters of Credit taking effect on such date.

"<u>Overnight Rate</u>" means, for any day, (a) with respect to any amount denominated in Dollars, the greater of (i) the Federal Funds Rate and (ii) an overnight rate determined by the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, or the Swing Line Lender, as the case may be, in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation, and (b) with respect to any amount denominated in an Alternative Currency, the rate of interest per annum at which overnight deposits in the applicable Alternative Currency, in an amount approximately equal to the amount with respect to which such rate is being determined, would be offered for such day by a branch or Affiliate of Bank of America in the applicable offshore interbank market for such currency to major banks in such interbank market.

"Participant" has the meaning specified in Section 11.06(d).

"Participant Register" has the meaning specified in Section 11.06(d).

"Participating Member State" means each state so described in any EMU Legislation.

"PBGC" means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation and any entity succeeding to any or all of its functions under ERISA.

"<u>Pension Plan</u>" means a "pension plan", as such term is defined in Section 3(2) of ERISA, which is subject to Title IV of ERISA (other than a Multiemployer Pension Plan), and to which the Company or any member of the Controlled Group may have any liability, including any liability by reason of having been a substantial employer within the meaning of Section 4063 of ERISA at any time during the preceding five years, or by reason of being deemed to be a contributing sponsor under Section 4069 of ERISA.

"Permitted Acquisition" means any Acquisition by the Company or a Subsidiary which satisfies each of the following requirements: (a) no Default has occurred and is continuing at the time of, or immediately after giving effect to, such Acquisition; (b) the Person to be acquired is in, or the assets to be acquired are for use in, the same or a similar line of business as the Company and its Subsidiaries or a reasonable extension thereof; (c) upon giving effect to such Acquisition on a pro forma basis, the Loan Parties would be in compliance with the financial covenants set forth in <u>Section 7.06</u> as of the most recent Fiscal Quarter for which the Company was required to deliver financial statements pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> or <u>7.01(b)</u> (and if the aggregate consideration (including cash and non-cash consideration, any assumption of Debt, any acquired Debt, deferred purchase price and any earn-out payments) paid by the Company or any Subsidiary for any such Acquisition exceeds \$100,000,000, the Company shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate demonstrating such compliance); (d) the representations and warranties made by the Loan Parties in each Loan Document shall be true and correct in all material respects at and as if made as of the date of such Acquisition (after giving effect thereto) except to the extent such representations and warranties expressly relate to an earlier date in which case they shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date; (e) if such transaction involves the purchase of an interest in a partnership between the Company (or a Subsidiary) as a general partner and entities unaffiliated with the Company or such Subsidiary as the other partners, such transaction shall be effected by having such equity interest acquired by a corporate holding company directly or indirectly wholly-owned by the Company newly formed for the sole purpose of effecting such transaction; and (f) in the case of the Acquisition of a Person, the board of directors (or

"<u>Permitted Liens</u>" means, at any time, Liens in respect of property of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries permitted to exist at such time pursuant to the terms of <u>Section 7.08</u>.

"<u>Permitted Securitization</u>" means any program providing for (a) the direct or indirect sale, contribution and/or transfer to a Securitization Subsidiary, in one or more related and substantially concurrent transactions, of accounts receivable, general intangibles, chattel paper or other financial assets (including rights in respect of Capital Leases) and related rights of the Company or any Subsidiary in transactions intended to constitute (and opined by nationally-recognized outside legal counsel in connection therewith to constitute) true sales or true contributions to such Securitization Subsidiary and (b) the provision of financing secured by the assets so sold, contributed and/or transferred, whether in the form of secured loans or the acquisition of undivided interests in such assets.

"<u>Person</u>" means any natural person, corporation, limited liability company, trust, joint venture, association, company, partnership, Governmental Authority or other entity.

"<u>Plan Asset Regulation</u>" means the U.S. Department of Labor regulation located at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, or any successor regulation thereto, as in effect at the time of reference, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA.

"Plan Assets" means "plan assets" as defined in the Plan Asset Regulation.

"Platform" has the meaning specified in Section 7.01.

"<u>Pro Rata Share</u>" means, as to each Lender at any time, a fraction (expressed as a percentage, carried out to the ninth decimal place), the numerator of which is the amount of the Revolving Commitment of such Lender at such time and the denominator of which is the amount of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments at such time; <u>provided</u> that if the commitment of each Lender to make Revolving Loans and the obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions have been terminated pursuant to <u>Section 9.02</u>, then the Pro Rata Share of each Lender shall be determined based on the Pro Rata Share of such Lender immediately prior to such termination and after giving effect to any subsequent assignments made pursuant to the terms hereof. The initial Pro Rata Share of each Lender is set forth opposite the name of such Lender on <u>Schedule 2.01</u> or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender becomes a party hereto, as applicable. The Pro Rata Share shall be subject to adjustment as provided in <u>Section 2.16</u>.

"Public Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 7.01.

"<u>Recipient</u>" means the Administrative Agent, any Lender, the L/C Issuer or any other recipient of any payment to be made by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party hereunder.

"Register" has the meaning specified in Section 11.06(c).

"<u>Related Parties</u>" means, with respect to any Person, such Person's Affiliates and the partners, directors, officers, employees, agents, trustees, administrators, managers, advisors and representatives of such Person and of such Person's Affiliates.

"<u>Request for Credit Extension</u>" means (a) with respect to a Borrowing, conversion or continuation of Loans, a Loan Notice, (b) with respect to an L/C Credit Extension, a Letter of Credit Application, and (c) with respect to a Swing Line Loan, a Swing Line Loan Notice.

"<u>Required Lenders</u>" means, at any time, Lenders holding in the aggregate more than fifty percent (50%) of (a) the Commitments or (b) if the Commitments have been terminated, the outstanding Loans, L/C Obligations, Swing Line Loans and participations therein. The Commitments of, and the outstanding Loans held or deemed held by, any Defaulting Lender shall be disregarded for purposes of making a determination of Required Lenders; <u>provided</u> that the amount of any participation in any Swing Line Loan and Unreimbursed Amounts that such Defaulting Lender has failed to fund that have not been reallocated to and funded by another Lender shall be deemed to be held by the Lender that is the Swing Line Lender or L/C Issuer, as the case may be, in making such determination.

"<u>Responsible Officer</u>" means any Executive Officer, and, solely for purposes of the delivery of incumbency certificates, the secretary or any assistant secretary of a Loan Party and, solely for purposes of notices given pursuant to <u>Article II</u>, any other officer of the applicable Loan Party so designated by any of the foregoing officers in a notice to the Administrative Agent. Any document delivered hereunder that is signed by a Responsible Officer of a Loan Party shall be conclusively presumed to have been authorized by all necessary corporate, partnership and/or other action on the part of such Loan Party and such Responsible Officer shall be conclusively presumed to have acted on behalf of such Loan Party. With respect to a Luxembourg Loan Party a "Responsible Officer" means a person who is authorized to represent that Loan Party.

"<u>Revaluation Date</u>" means (a) with respect to any Loan, each of the following: (i) each date of a Borrowing of a Eurocurrency Rate Loan denominated in an Alternative Currency, (ii) each date of a continuation of a Eurocurrency Rate Loan denominated in an Alternative Currency pursuant to <u>Section 2.02</u>, and (iii) such additional dates as the Administrative Agent shall determine or the Required Lenders shall require; and (b) with respect to any Letter of Credit, each of the following: (i) each date of an issuance of a Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternative Currency, (ii) each date of an amendment of any such Letter of Credit having the effect of increasing the amount thereof (solely with respect to the increased amount), (iii) each date of any payment by the L/C Issuer of any Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternative Currency, (iv) in the case of the Existing Letters of Credit, the Closing Date and (v) such additional dates as the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer shall determine or the Required Lenders shall require.

"<u>Revolving Commitment</u>" means, as to each Lender, its obligation to (a) make Revolving Loans to the Borrowers pursuant to <u>Section 2.01</u>, (b) purchase participations in L/C Obligations, and (c) purchase participations in Swing Line Loans, in an aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding not to exceed the Dollar amount set forth opposite such Lender's name on <u>Schedule 2.01</u>, in any documentation executed by such Lender pursuant to <u>Section 2.01(b)</u> or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender becomes a party hereto, as applicable, as such amount may be adjusted from time to time in accordance with this Agreement.

"Revolving Loan" has the meaning specified in Section 2.01(a).

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC, a subsidiary of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. and any successor thereto.

"<u>Same Day Funds</u>" means (a) with respect to disbursements and payments in Dollars, immediately available funds, and (b) with respect to disbursements and payments in an Alternative Currency, same day or other funds as may be determined by the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, to be customary in the place of disbursement or payment for the settlement of international banking transactions in the relevant Alternative Currency.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any Governmental Authority succeeding to any of its principal functions.

"<u>Securitization Obligations</u>" means the aggregate investment or claim (as opposed to the value of the underlying assets subject to the applicable Permitted Securitization) held at any time by all purchasers, assignees or transferees of (or of interests in), or holders of obligations that are supported or secured by, accounts receivable, general intangibles, chattel paper or other financial assets (including rights in respect of Capital Leases) and related rights of the Company or any Subsidiary in connection with Permitted Securitizations.

"<u>Securitization Subsidiary</u>" means a special purpose, bankruptcy remote, directly or indirectly wholly-owned Subsidiary of the Company that is formed for the sole and exclusive purpose of engaging in activities in connection with the purchase, contribution, transfer, sale and financing of assets and related rights in connection with and pursuant to one or more Permitted Securitizations.

"Senior Notes" means any note issued pursuant to a Note Purchase Agreement.

"<u>Significant Subsidiary</u>" means, at any time, (a) any Subsidiary having (i) assets (after intercompany eliminations) with a value not less than 2.5% of the total value of the consolidated assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or (ii) revenues (after elimination of intercompany revenues) not less than 2.5% of the consolidated revenues of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, in each case for, or as of the end of, the most recently ended Computation Period, as the case may be and (b) any Subsidiary that is a Loan Party.

"<u>Special Notice Currency</u>" means at any time an Alternative Currency other than the currency of a country that is a member of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development at such time located in North America or Europe.

"<u>Specified Cash</u>" means the aggregate amount of unrestricted cash and Cash Equivalents of the Company and its Domestic Subsidiaries (other than Excluded Subsidiaries) in excess of \$25,000,000; provided, that the aggregate amount of Specified Cash shall not exceed \$50,000,000 at any one time.

"<u>Spot Rate</u>" for a currency means the rate determined by the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, as applicable, to be the rate quoted by the Person acting in such capacity as the spot rate for the purchase by such Person of such currency with another currency through its principal foreign exchange trading office at approximately 11:00 a.m. on the date two Business Days prior to the date as of which the foreign exchange computation is made; <u>provided</u> that the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer may obtain such spot rate from another financial institution designated by the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer if the Person acting in such capacity does not have as of the date of determination a spot buying rate for any such currency; and <u>provided further</u> that the L/C Issuer may use such spot rate quoted on the date as of which the foreign exchange computation is made in the case of any Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternative Currency.

"Sterling" and "£" mean the lawful currency of the United Kingdom.

"<u>Subordinated Debt</u>" means any Debt of the Company or any Subsidiary that (a) is subordinated to the Obligations in a manner approved in writing by the Required Lenders and (b) has (i) no amortization prior to the date that is at least 91 days after the Maturity Date, (ii) financial covenants and events of default (and related definitions) that are acceptable to the Required Lenders and (iii) no limitation on senior Debt (or any guaranty thereof) that is unacceptable to the Required Lenders.

"<u>Subsidiary</u>" of a Person means a corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company or other business entity of which a majority of the shares of Voting Stock is at the time beneficially owned, or the management of which is otherwise controlled, directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, or both, by such Person. Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to a "Subsidiary" or to "Subsidiaries" shall refer to a Subsidiary or Subsidiaries of the Company.

"<u>Suretyship Liability</u>" means any agreement, undertaking or arrangement by which any Person guarantees, endorses or otherwise becomes or is contingently liable upon (by direct or indirect agreement, contingent or otherwise, to provide funds for payment, to supply funds to or otherwise to invest in a debtor, or otherwise to assure a creditor against loss) any indebtedness, obligation or other liability of any other Person (other than by endorsements of instruments in the course of collection), or guarantees the payment of dividends or other distributions upon the shares of any other Person. The amount of any Person's obligation in respect of any Suretyship Liability shall (subject to any limitation set forth therein) be deemed to be equal to the lesser of (i) the stated or determinable amount of the related primary obligation, or portion thereof, in respect of which such Suretyship Liability is incurred or, if not stated or determinable, the maximum reasonably anticipated liability in respect thereof, and (ii) the stated amount of such Suretyship Liability.

"<u>Swap Termination Value</u>" means, in respect of any one or more Hedging Agreements, after taking into account the effect of any legally enforceable netting agreement relating to such Hedging Agreements, (a) for any date on or after the date such Hedging Agreements have been closed out and termination value(s) determined in accordance therewith, such termination value(s), and (b) for any date prior to the date referenced in <u>clause (a)</u>, the amount(s) determined as the mark-to-market value(s) for such Hedging Agreements, as determined based upon one or more mid-market or other readily available quotations provided by any recognized dealer in such Hedging Agreements (which may include a Lender or any Affiliate of a Lender).

"Swing Line Lender" means Bank of America in its capacity as provider of Swing Line Loans, or any successor swing line lender hereunder.

"Swing Line Loan" has the meaning specified in Section 2.04(a).

"<u>Swing Line Loan Notice</u>" means a notice of a Borrowing of Swing Line Loans pursuant to <u>Section 2.04(b)</u>, which, if in writing, shall be substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit 2.04</u>.

"<u>Swing Line Sublimit</u>" means an amount equal to the lesser of (a) \$25,000,000 and (b) the Aggregate Revolving Commitments. The Swing Line Sublimit is part of, and not in addition to, the Aggregate Revolving Commitments.

"<u>TARGET Day</u>" means any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET) payment system (or, if such payment system ceases to be operative, such other payment system (if any) determined by the Administrative Agent to be a suitable replacement) is open for the settlement of payments in Euro.

"Taxes" means all present or future taxes, levies, imposts, duties, deductions, withholdings (including backup withholding), assessments, fees or other charges imposed by any Governmental Authority, including any interest, additions to tax or penalties applicable thereto.

"Total Revolving Outstandings" means the aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Revolving Loans, all Swing Line Loans and all L/C Obligations.

"<u>Treasury Management Agreement</u>" means any agreement governing the provision of treasury or cash management services, including deposit accounts, funds transfer, automated clearinghouse, zero balance accounts, returned check concentration, controlled disbursement, lockbox, account reconciliation, reporting and trade finance services, overnight draft, credit cards, debit cards, p-cards (including purchasing cards and commercial cards), e-payables and other treasury management services.

"Tricor" has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(a).

"<u>Type</u>" means, with respect to any Loan, its character as a Base Rate Loan or a Eurocurrency Rate Loan.

"<u>UCP</u>" means, with respect to any Letter of Credit, the Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credits, International Chamber of Commerce ("<u>ICC</u>") Publication No. 600 (or such later version thereof as may be in effect at the time of issuance).

"<u>United States</u>" and "<u>U.S.</u>" mean the United States of America.

"Unreimbursed Amount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(c)(i).

"U.S. Person" means any Person that is a "United States Person" as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Internal Revenue Code.

"U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate" has the meaning specified in Section 3.01(e)(ii)(B)(3).

"<u>Voting Stock</u>" means, with respect to any Person, Capital Stock issued by such Person the holders of which are ordinarily, in the absence of contingencies, entitled to vote for the election of directors (or persons performing similar functions) of such Person, even though the right so to vote has been suspended by the happening of such a contingency.

"<u>Wholly Owned Subsidiary</u>" means any Person 100% of whose Capital Stock is at the time owned by the Company directly or indirectly through other Persons 100% of whose Capital Stock is at the time owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company.

"Worldwide" has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(a).

1.02 Other Interpretive Provisions.

With reference to this Agreement and each other Loan Document, unless otherwise specified herein or in such other Loan Document:

(a) The meanings of defined terms are equally applicable to the singular and plural forms of the defined terms.

(b) (i) The words "herein," "hereto," "hereof" and "hereunder" and words of similar import when used in any Loan Document shall refer to such Loan Document as a whole and not to any particular provision thereof.

(ii) Article, Section, Exhibit and Schedule references are to the Loan Document in which such reference appears.

(iii) The term "<u>including</u>" is by way of example and not limitation.

(iv) The term "documents" includes any and all instruments, documents, agreements, certificates, notices, reports, financial statements and other writings, however evidenced, whether in physical or electronic form.

(c) In the computation of periods of time from a specified date to a later specified date, the word "<u>from</u>" means "<u>from and including</u>;" the words "<u>to</u>" and "<u>until</u>" each mean "<u>to but excluding</u>;" and the word "<u>through</u>" means "<u>to and including</u>."

(d) Section headings herein and in the other Loan Documents are included for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

1.03 Accounting Terms.

(a) Except as otherwise specifically prescribed herein, all accounting terms not specifically or completely defined herein shall be construed in conformity with, and all financial data (including financial ratios and other financial calculations) required to be submitted pursuant to this Agreement shall be prepared in conformity with, GAAP as in effect from time to time. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or any other Loan Document, for purposes of determining compliance with any covenant (including the computation of any financial covenant) contained in any Loan Document, Debt of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries shall be deemed to be carried at 100% of the outstanding principal amount thereof, and the effects of FASB ASC 825 on financial liabilities shall be disregarded.

(b) The Company will provide a written summary of material changes in GAAP (including the adoption of IFRS) with each annual and quarterly Compliance Certificate delivered in accordance with <u>Section 7.01(c)</u>. If at any time any change in GAAP would affect the computation of any financial ratio or requirement set forth in any Loan Document, and either the Company or the Required Lenders shall so request, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the Company shall negotiate in good faith to amend such ratio or requirement to preserve the original intent thereof in light of such change in GAAP (subject to the approval of the Required Lenders); provided that, until so amended, (i) such ratio or requirement shall continue to be computed in accordance with GAAP prior to such change therein and (ii) the Company shall provide to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders financial statements and other documents required under this Agreement or as reasonably requested hereunder setting forth a reconciliation between calculations of such ratio or requirement made before and after giving effect to such change in GAAP. Without limiting the foregoing, leases shall continue to be classified and accounted for on a basis consistent with that reflected in the Audited Financial Statements for all purposes of this Agreement, notwithstanding any change in GAAP relating thereto, unless the parties hereto shall enter into a mutually acceptable amendment addressing such changes, as provided for above; provided, that, the foregoing shall not apply for purposes of the financial statements delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> and <u>7.01(b)</u> so long as the Compliance Certificate delivered by the Company in connection with such financial statements includes an explanation of the differences resulting from such treatment of leases in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

1.04 Rounding.

Any financial ratios required to be maintained by the Company pursuant to this Agreement shall be calculated by dividing the appropriate component by the other component, carrying the result to one place more than the number of places by which such ratio is expressed herein and rounding the result up or down to the nearest number (with a rounding-up if there is no nearest number).

1.05 References to Agreements and Laws.

Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, (a) references to Organization Documents, agreements (including the Loan Documents) and other contractual instruments shall be deemed to include all subsequent amendments, restatements, extensions, supplements and other modifications thereto, but only to the extent that such amendments, restatements, extensions, are not prohibited by any Loan Document; and (b) references to any Law shall include all statutory and regulatory provisions consolidating, amending, replacing, supplementing or interpreting such Law.

1.06 Exchange Rates; Currency Equivalents.

(a) The Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, as applicable, shall determine the Spot Rates as of each Revaluation Date to be used for calculating Dollar Equivalent amounts of Credit Extensions and Outstanding Amounts denominated in Alternative Currencies. Such Spot Rates shall become effective as of such Revaluation Date and shall be the Spot Rates employed in converting any amounts between the applicable currencies until the next Revaluation Date to occur. Except for purposes of financial statements delivered by Loan Parties hereunder or calculating financial covenants hereunder or except as otherwise provided herein, the applicable amount of any currency (other than Dollars) for purposes of the Loan Documents shall be such Dollar Equivalent amount as so determined by the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, as applicable.

(b) Wherever in this Agreement in connection with a Borrowing, conversion, continuation or prepayment of a Eurocurrency Rate Loan or the issuance, amendment or extension of a Letter of Credit, an amount, such as a required minimum or multiple amount, is expressed in Dollars, but such Borrowing, Eurocurrency Rate Loan or Letter of Credit is denominated in an Alternative Currency, such amount shall be the relevant Alternative Currency Equivalent of such Dollar amount (rounded to the nearest unit of such Alternative Currency, with 0.5 of a unit being rounded upward), as determined by the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be.

1.07 Additional Alternative Currencies.

(a) The Company may from time to time request that Eurocurrency Rate Loans be made and/or Letters of Credit be issued in a currency other than those specifically listed in the definition of "Alternative Currency;" <u>provided</u> that such requested currency is a lawful currency (other than Dollars) that is readily available and freely transferable and convertible into Dollars. In the case of any such request with respect to the making of Eurocurrency Rate Loans, such request shall be subject to the approval of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders; and in the case of any such request with respect to the issuance of Letters of Credit, such request shall be subject to the approval of the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer.

(b) Any such request shall be made to the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m., fifteen Business Days prior to the date of the desired Credit Extension (or such other time or date as may be agreed by the Administrative Agent and, in the case of any such request pertaining to Letters of Credit, the L/C Issuer, in its or their sole discretion). In the case of any such request pertaining to Eurocurrency Rate Loans, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Lender thereof; and in the case of any such request pertaining to Letters of Credit, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the L/C Issuer thereof. Each Lender (in the case of any such request pertaining to Eurocurrency Rate Loans) or the L/C Issuer (in the case of a request pertaining to Letters of Credit) shall notify the Administrative Agent, not later than 11:00 a.m., seven Business Days after receipt of such request whether it consents, in its sole discretion, to the making of Eurocurrency Rate Loans or the issuance of Letters of Credit, as the case may be, in such requested currency.

(c) Any failure by a Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, to respond to such request within the time period specified in the preceding sentence shall be deemed to be a refusal by such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, to permit Eurocurrency Rate Loans to be made or Letters of Credit to be issued in such requested currency. If the Administrative Agent and all the Lenders consent to making Eurocurrency Rate Loans in such requested currency, the Administrative Agent shall so notify the Company and such currency shall thereupon be deemed for all purposes to be an Alternative Currency hereunder for purposes of any Borrowings of Eurocurrency Rate Loans; and if the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer consent to the issuance of Letters of Credit in such requested currency, the Administrative Agent shall so notify the Company and such currency shall thereupon be deemed for all purposes to be an Alternative Currency to be an Alternative Currency hereunder for purposes of any Letter of Credit issuances. If the Administrative Agent shall fail to obtain consent to any request for an additional currency under this <u>Section 1.07</u>, the Administrative Agent shall promptly so notify the Company.

1.08 Change of Currency.

(a) Each obligation of the Borrowers to make a payment denominated in the national currency unit of any member state of the European Union that adopts the Euro as its lawful currency after the date hereof shall be redenominated into Euro at the time of such adoption (in accordance with the EMU Legislation). If, in relation to the currency of any such member state, the basis of accrual of interest expressed in this Agreement in respect of that currency shall be inconsistent with any convention or practice in the London interbank market for the basis of accrual of interest in respect of the Euro, such expressed basis shall be replaced by such convention or practice with effect from the date on which such member state adopts the Euro as its lawful currency; <u>provided</u> that if any Borrowing in the currency of such member state is outstanding immediately prior to such date, such replacement shall take effect, with respect to such Borrowing, at the end of the then current Interest Period.

(b) Each provision of this Agreement shall be subject to such reasonable changes of construction as the Administrative Agent may from time to time specify to be appropriate to reflect the adoption of the Euro by any member state of the European Union and any relevant market conventions or practices relating to the Euro.

(c) Each provision of this Agreement also shall be subject to such reasonable changes of construction as the Administrative Agent may from time to time specify to be appropriate to reflect a change in currency of any other country and any relevant market conventions or practices relating to the change in currency.

1.09 Times of Day.

Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to times of day shall be references to Central time (daylight or standard, as applicable).

1.10 Letter of Credit Amounts.

Unless otherwise specified herein, the amount of a Letter of Credit at any time shall be deemed to be the Dollar Equivalent of the stated amount of such Letter of Credit in effect at such time; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that with respect to any Letter of Credit that, by its terms or the terms of any Issuer Document related thereto, provides for one or more automatic increases in the stated amount thereof, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be the Dollar Equivalent of the maximum stated amount of such Letter of Credit after giving effect to all such increases, whether or not such maximum stated amount is in effect at such time.

ARTICLE II

THE COMMITMENTS AND CREDIT EXTENSIONS

2.01 Revolving Loans.

(a) <u>Revolving Loans</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each Lender severally agrees to make loans (each such loan, a "<u>Revolving Loan</u>") to the Borrowers in Dollars or in one or more Alternative Currencies from time to time on any Business Day during the Availability Period in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding the amount of such Lender's Revolving Commitment; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that after giving effect to any Borrowing of Revolving Loans, (i) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, (ii) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Revolving Loans of any Lender, <u>plus</u> such Lender's Pro Rata Share of the Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations, <u>plus</u> such Lender's Pro Rata Share of the Outstanding Loans and L/C Obligations denominated in Alternative Currencies shall not exceed the Alternative Currency Sublimit. Within the limits of each Lender's Revolving Commitment, and subject to the other terms and conditions hereof, the Borrowers may borrow under this <u>Section 2.01</u>. Revolving Loans may be Base Rate Loans or Eurocurrency Rate Loans, as further provided herein; <u>provided</u>, that all Loans to Brady Finance Luxembourg that are denominated in Dollars shall be Eurocurrency Rate Loans.

(b) <u>Increase of Aggregate Revolving Commitments</u>. The Company may at any time and from time to time, upon prior written notice by the Company to the Administrative Agent, increase the Aggregate Revolving Commitments (but not the Alternative Currency Sublimit, Letter of Credit Sublimit or Swing Line Sublimit) by up to ONE HUNDRED FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS (\$150,000,000) with additional Revolving Commitments from any existing Lender or new Revolving Commitments from any other Person selected by the Company that would qualify as an Eligible Assignee; <u>provided</u> that:

(i) any such increase shall be in a minimum principal amount of \$5,000,000 and in integral multiples of \$5,000,000 in excess thereof;

(ii) no Default shall be continuing at the time of any such increase;

(iii) no existing Lender shall be under any obligation to increase its Revolving Commitment and any such decision whether to increase its Revolving Commitment shall be in such Lender's sole and absolute discretion;

(iv) any new Lender shall join this Agreement by executing such joinder documents reasonably required by the Administrative Agent;

(v) the Administrative Agent shall have received all documents (including resolutions of the board of directors of the Loan Parties and opinions of counsel to the Loan Parties) it may reasonably request relating to the corporate or other necessary authority for such increase, and any other matters relevant thereto, all in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent; and

(vi) if any Loans are outstanding at the time of the increase in the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, the Borrowers shall, if applicable due to a nonratable increase in the Commitments, prepay one or more existing Loans (such prepayment to be subject to

Section 3.05) in an amount necessary such that after giving effect to the increase in the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, each Lender will hold its Pro Rata Share (based on its Pro Rata Share of the increased Aggregate Revolving Commitments) of outstanding Loans.

2.02 Borrowings, Conversions and Continuations of Loans.

(a) Each Borrowing, each conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, and each continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans shall be made upon the applicable Borrower's irrevocable notice to the Administrative Agent, which may be given by telephone. Each such notice must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m. (i) three Business Days prior to the requested date of any Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of, Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Dollars or of any conversion of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Dollars to Base Rate Loans, (ii) four Business Days (or five Business Days in the case of a Special Notice Currency) prior to the requested date of any Borrowing or continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Alternative Currencies and (iii) on the requested date of any Borrowing of Base Rate Loans. Each telephonic notice by any Borrower pursuant to this Section 2.02(a) must be confirmed promptly by delivery to the Administrative Agent of a written Loan Notice, appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of such Borrower. Each Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$5,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof. Except as provided in Sections 2.03(c) and 2.04(c), each Borrowing of or conversion to Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$500,000 in excess thereof. Each Loan Notice (whether telephonic or written) shall specify (i) whether such Borrower is requesting a Borrowing, a conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, or a continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans, (ii) the requested date of the Borrowing, conversion or continuation, as the case may be (which shall be a Business Day), (iii) the principal amount of Loans to be borrowed, converted or continued, (iv) the Type of Loans to be borrowed or to which existing Loans are to be converted, (v) if applicable, the duration of the Interest Period with respect thereto, and (vi) the currency of the Loans to be borrowed. If the applicable Borrower fails to specify a currency in a Loan Notice requesting a Borrowing, then the Loans so requested shall be made in Dollars. If the applicable Borrower fails to specify a Type of a Loan in a Loan Notice or if such Borrower fails to give a timely notice requesting a conversion or continuation, then the applicable Loans shall be made as, or converted to, Base Rate Loans; provided, however, that in the case of a failure to timely request a continuation of Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency, such Loans shall be continued as Eurocurrency Rate Loans in their original currency with an Interest Period of one month. Any automatic conversion to Base Rate Loans shall be effective as of the last day of the Interest Period then in effect with respect to the applicable Eurocurrency Rate Loans. If a Borrower requests a Borrowing of, conversion to, or continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans in any Loan Notice, but fails to specify an Interest Period, it will be deemed to have specified an Interest Period of one month. No Loan may be converted into or continued as a Loan denominated in a different currency, but instead must be prepaid in the original currency of such Loan and reborrowed in the other currency.

(b) Following receipt of a Loan Notice, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Lender of the amount (and currency) of its Pro Rata Share of the applicable Loans, and if no timely notice of a conversion or continuation is provided by the applicable Borrower, the Administrative Agent shall notify each Lender of the details of any automatic conversion to Base Rate Loans or continuation of Loans denominated in a currency other than Dollars, in each case as described in the preceding subsection. In the case of a Borrowing, each Lender shall make the amount of its Loan available to the Administrative Agent in Same Day Funds at the Administrative Agent's Office for the applicable currency not later than 1:00 p.m., in the case of any Loan denominated in Dollars, and not later than the Applicable Time specified by the Administrative Agent in the case of any Loan in an Alternative Currency, in each case on the Business Day specified in the applicable Loan Notice. Upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in Section 5.02 (and, if such Borrowing is the initial Credit Extension,

Section 5.01), the Administrative Agent shall make all funds so received available to the applicable Borrower in like funds as received by the Administrative Agent either by (i) crediting the account of such Borrower on the books of Bank of America with the amount of such funds or (ii) wire transfer of such funds, in each case in accordance with instructions provided to (and reasonably acceptable to) the Administrative Agent by such Borrower; provided, however, that if, on the date the Loan Notice with respect to a Borrowing of Revolving Loans denominated in Dollars is given by a Borrower, there are L/C Borrowings outstanding, then the proceeds of such Borrowing, first, shall be applied to the payment in full of any such L/C Borrowings and second, shall be made available to such Borrower as provided above. Each Lender, at its option, may make any Loan by causing any domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of such Lender to make such Loan, provided that any exercise of such option shall not affect the obligation of the applicable Borrower to repay such Loan in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

(c) Except as otherwise provided herein, a Eurocurrency Rate Loan may be continued or converted only on the last day of the Interest Period for such Eurocurrency Rate Loan. During the existence of a Default, no Loans may be requested as, converted to or continued as Eurocurrency Rate Loans (whether in Dollars or an Alternative Currency) without the consent of the Required Lenders, and the Required Lenders may demand that any or all of the then outstanding Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency be prepaid, or redenominated into Dollars in the amount of the Dollar Equivalent thereof, on the last day of the then current Interest Period with respect thereto.

(d) The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Borrowers and the Lenders of the interest rate applicable to any Interest Period for Eurocurrency Rate Loans upon determination of such interest rate. At any time that Base Rate Loans are outstanding, the Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrowers and the Lenders of any change in Bank of America's prime rate used in determining the Base Rate promptly following the public announcement of such change.

(e) After giving effect to all Borrowings, all conversions of Loans from one Type to the other, and all continuations of Loans as the same Type, there shall not be more than 12 Interest Periods in effect with respect to Revolving Loans (no more than 4 of such Interest Periods may be for 7 days).

2.03 Letters of Credit.

(a) The Letter of Credit Commitment.

(i) Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, (A) the L/C Issuer agrees, in reliance upon the agreements of the Lenders set forth in this Section 2.03, (1) from time to time on any Business Day during the period from the Closing Date until the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, to issue Letters of Credit denominated in Dollars or in one or more Alternative Currencies for the account of the Borrowers or any of their Subsidiaries, and to amend or extend Letters of Credit previously issued by it, in accordance with subsection (b) below, and (2) to honor drawings under the Letters of Credit; and (B) the Lenders severally agree to participate in Letters of Credit issued for the account of the Borrowers or their Subsidiaries and any drawings thereunder; provided that after giving effect to any L/C Credit Extension with respect to any Letter of Credit, (w) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, (x) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Revolving Loans of any Lender's Pro Rata Share of the Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations, <u>plus</u> such Lender's Pro Rata Share of the Outstanding Amount of all Swing Line Loans shall not exceed such Lender's Revolving Commitment, (y) the Outstanding Amount of the L/C Obligations shall not exceed the Alternative Currencies shall not exceed the Alternative Currencies shall not exceed the Alternative Sublimit. Each request by a Borrower for the issuance or amendment of

a Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be a representation by such Borrower that the L/C Credit Extension so requested complies with the conditions set forth in the proviso to the preceding sentence. Within the foregoing limits, and subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Borrowers' ability to obtain Letters of Credit shall be fully revolving, and accordingly the Borrowers may, during the foregoing period, obtain Letters of Credit to replace Letters of Credit that have expired or that have been drawn upon and reimbursed. All Existing Letters of Credit shall be deemed to have been issued pursuant hereto, and from and after the Closing Date shall be subject to and governed by the terms and conditions hereof.

(ii) The L/C Issuer shall not issue any Letter of Credit if:

(A) subject to <u>Section 2.03(b)(iii)</u>, the expiry date of such requested Letter of Credit would occur more than twelve months after the date of issuance or last extension, unless the Required Lenders have approved such expiry date; or

(B) the expiry date of such requested Letter of Credit would occur after the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, unless all the Lenders have approved such expiry date; <u>provided</u> that, subject to the agreement of the Borrowers set forth below in this clause (B), the L/C Issuer may issue Letters of Credit with an expiry date of up to six months after the Letter of Credit Expiration Date (but L/C Issuer shall not have an obligation to issue such Letter of Credit). Each Borrower hereby agrees that if any Letter of Credit is issued pursuant to foregoing proviso, it shall Cash Collateralize such Letter of Credit on the date such Letter of Credit is issued in amount equal to the Minimum Collateral Amount.

(iii) The L/C Issuer shall not be under any obligation to issue any Letter of Credit if:

(A) any order, judgment or decree of any Governmental Authority or arbitrator shall by its terms purport to enjoin or restrain the L/C Issuer from issuing such Letter of Credit, or any Law applicable to the L/C Issuer or any request or directive (whether or not having the force of Law) from any Governmental Authority with jurisdiction over the L/C Issuer shall prohibit, or request that the L/C Issuer refrain from, the issuance of letters of credit generally or such Letter of Credit in particular or shall impose upon the L/C Issuer with respect to such Letter of Credit any restriction, reserve or capital requirement (for which the L/C Issuer is not otherwise compensated hereunder) not in effect on the Closing Date, or shall impose upon the L/C Issuer any unreimbursed loss, cost or expense which was not applicable on the Closing Date and which the L/C Issuer in good faith deems material to it;

(B) the issuance of such Letter of Credit would violate one or more policies of the L/C Issuer applicable to letters of credit generally;

(C) except as otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer, such Letter of Credit is in an initial stated amount less than \$100,000, in the case of a commercial Letter of Credit, or \$500,000, in the case of a standby Letter of Credit;

(D) the L/C Issuer does not as of the issuance date of such requested Letter of Credit issue Letters of Credit in the requested currency;

(E) such Letter of Credit contains any provisions for automatic reinstatement of the stated amount after any drawing thereunder; or

(F) any Lender is at that time a Defaulting Lender, unless the L/C Issuer has entered into arrangements, including the delivery of Cash Collateral, satisfactory to the L/C Issuer (in its sole discretion) with the applicable Borrower or such Defaulting Lender to eliminate the L/C Issuer's actual or potential Fronting Exposure (after giving effect to <u>Section 2.16(a)(iv</u>)) with respect to the Defaulting Lender arising from either the Letter of Credit then proposed to be issued or that Letter of Credit and all other L/C Obligations as to which the L/C Issuer has actual or potential Fronting Exposure, as it may elect in its sole discretion.

(iv) The L/C Issuer shall not amend any Letter of Credit if the L/C Issuer would not be permitted at such time to issue such Letter of Credit in its amended form under the terms hereof.

(v) The L/C Issuer shall be under no obligation to amend any Letter of Credit if (A) the L/C Issuer would have no obligation at such time to issue such Letter of Credit in its amended form under the terms hereof, or (B) the beneficiary of such Letter of Credit does not accept the proposed amendment to such Letter of Credit.

(vi) The L/C Issuer shall act on behalf of the Lenders with respect to any Letters of Credit issued by it and the documents associated therewith, and the L/C Issuer shall have all of the benefits and immunities (A) provided to the Administrative Agent in <u>Article X</u> with respect to any acts taken or omissions suffered by the L/C Issuer in connection with Letters of Credit issued by it or proposed to be issued by it and Issuer Documents pertaining to such Letters of Credit as fully as if the term "Administrative Agent" as used in <u>Article X</u> included the L/C Issuer with respect to such acts or omissions, and (B) as additionally provided herein with respect to the L/C Issuer.

(b) Procedures for Issuance and Amendment of Letters of Credit; Auto-Extension Letters of Credit.

(i) Each Letter of Credit shall be issued or amended, as the case may be, upon the request of the applicable Borrower delivered to the L/C Issuer (with a copy to the Administrative Agent) in the form of a Letter of Credit Application, appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of such Borrower. Such Letter of Credit Application may be sent by facsimile, by United States mail, by overnight courier, by electronic transmission using the system provided by the L/C Issuer, by personal delivery or by any other means acceptable to the L/C Issuer. Such Letter of Credit Application must be received by the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent (A) not later than 11:00 a.m. at least two Business Days prior to the proposed issuance date or date of amendment, as the case may be, of any Letter of Credit denominated in Dollars, and (B) not later than 11:00 a.m. at least ten Business Days prior to the proposed issuance date or date of amendment, as the case may be, of any Letter of Credit Application shall specify in form and detail satisfactory to the L/C Issuer: (A) the proposed issuance date of the requested Letter of Credit (which shall be a Business Day); (B) the amount and currency thereof; (C) the expiry date thereof; (D) the name and address of the beneficiary thereof; (E) the documents to be presented by such beneficiary in case of any drawing thereunder; (G) the purpose and nature of the requested Letter of Credit; and (H) such other

matters as the L/C Issuer may reasonably require. In the case of a request for an amendment of any outstanding Letter of Credit, such Letter of Credit Application shall specify in form and detail satisfactory to the L/C Issuer (A) the Letter of Credit to be amended; (B) the proposed date of amendment thereof (which shall be a Business Day); (C) the nature of the proposed amendment; and (D) such other matters as the L/C Issuer may require. Additionally, the applicable Borrower shall furnish to the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent such other documents and information pertaining to such requested Letter of Credit issuance or amendment, including any Issuer Documents, as the L/C Issuer or the Administrative Agent may reasonably require.

(ii) Promptly after receipt of any Letter of Credit Application, the L/C Issuer will confirm with the Administrative Agent (by telephone or in writing) that the Administrative Agent has received a copy of such Letter of Credit Application from the applicable Borrower and, if not, the L/C Issuer will provide the Administrative Agent with a copy thereof. Unless the L/C Issuer has received written notice from any Lender, the Administrative Agent or any Loan Party, at least one Business Day prior to the requested date of issuance or amendment of the applicable Letter of Credit, that one or more applicable conditions contained in <u>Article V</u> shall not be satisfied, then, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the L/C Issuer shall, on the requested date, issue a Letter of Credit for the account of the applicable Borrower or the applicable Subsidiary or enter into the applicable amendment, as the case may be, in each case in accordance with the L/C Issuer's usual and customary business practices. Immediately upon the issuance of each Letter of Credit, each Lender shall be deemed to, and hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees to, purchase from the L/C Issuer a risk participation in such Letter of Credit in an amount equal to the product of such Lender's Pro Rata Share <u>times</u> the amount of such Letter of Credit.

(iii) If a Borrower so requests in any applicable Letter of Credit Application, the L/C Issuer may, in its sole and absolute discretion, agree to issue a Letter of Credit that has automatic extension provisions (each, an "<u>Auto-Extension Letter of Credit</u>"); <u>provided</u> that any such Auto-Extension Letter of Credit must permit the L/C Issuer to prevent any such extension at least once in each twelve-month period (commencing with the date of issuance of such Letter of Credit) by giving prior notice to the beneficiary thereof not later than a day (the "<u>Non-Extension Notice Date</u>") in each such twelve-month period to be agreed upon at the time such Letter of Credit is issued. Unless otherwise directed by the L/C Issuer, the applicable Borrower shall not be required to make a specific request to the L/C Issuer for any such extension. Once an Auto-Extension Letter of Credit at any time to an expiry date not later than the Letter of Credit Expiration Date; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the L/C Issuer shall not permit any such extension if (A) the L/C Issuer has determined that it would not be permitted, or would have no obligation, at such time to issue such Letter of Credit in its revised form (as extended) under the terms hereof (by reason of the provisions of clause (ii) or (iii) of <u>Section 2.03(a)</u> or otherwise), or (B) it has received notice (which may be by telephone or in writing) on or before the day that is seven Business Days before the Non-Extension Notice Date (1) from the Administrative Agent that the Required Lenders have elected not to permit such extension or (2) from the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any Loan Party that one or more of the applicable conditions specified in <u>Section 5.02</u> is not then satisfied, and in each case directing the L/C Issuer not to permit such extension.

(iv) Promptly after its delivery of any Letter of Credit or any amendment to a Letter of Credit to an advising bank with respect thereto or to the beneficiary thereof, the L/C Issuer will also deliver to the applicable Borrower and the Administrative Agent a true and complete copy of such Letter of Credit or amendment.

(c) Drawings and Reimbursements; Funding of Participations.

(i) Upon receipt from the beneficiary of any Letter of Credit of any notice of drawing under such Letter of Credit, the L/C Issuer shall notify the applicable Borrower and the Administrative Agent thereof. In the case of a Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternative Currency, the applicable Borrower shall reimburse the L/C Issuer in such Alternative Currency, unless (A) the L/C Issuer (at its option) shall have specified in such notice that it will require reimbursement in Dollars, or (B) in the absence of any such requirement for reimbursement in Dollars, the Borrower shall have notified the L/C Issuer promptly following receipt of the notice of drawing that such Borrower will reimburse the L/C Issuer in Dollars. In the case of any such reimbursement in Dollars of a drawing under a Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternative Currency, the L/C Issuer shall notify the applicable Borrower of the Dollar Equivalent of the amount of the drawing promptly following the determination thereof. Not later than 11:00 a.m. on the date of any payment by the L/C Issuer under a Letter of Credit to be reimbursed in Dollars, or the Applicable Time on the date of any payment by the L/C Issuer under a Letter of Credit to be reimbursed in an Alternative Currency (each such date, an "Honor Date"), the applicable Borrower shall reimburse the L/C Issuer through the Administrative Agent in an amount equal to the amount of such drawing and in the applicable currency. If the applicable Borrower fails to so reimburse the L/C Issuer by such time, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Lender of the Honor Date, the amount of the unreimbursed drawing (expressed in Dollars in the amount of the Dollar Equivalent thereof in the case of a Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternative Currency) (the "Unreimbursed Amount"), and the amount of such Lender's Pro Rata Share thereof. In such event, the applicable Borrower shall be deemed to have requested a Borrowing of Revolving Loans that are Base Rate Loans to be disbursed on the Honor Date in an amount equal to the Unreimbursed Amount, without regard to the minimum and multiples specified in Section 2.02 for the principal amount of Base Rate Loans, but subject to the unutilized portion of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments and the conditions set forth in Section 5.02 (other than the delivery of a Loan Notice). Any notice given by the L/C Issuer or the Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section 2.03(c)(i) may be given by telephone if immediately confirmed in writing (including by facsimile or e-mail if permitted by Section 11.02); provided that the lack of such an immediate confirmation shall not affect the conclusiveness or binding effect of such notice.

(ii) Each Lender shall upon any notice pursuant to <u>Section 2.03(c)(i)</u> make funds available (and the Administrative Agent may apply Cash Collateral provided for this purpose) to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer, in Dollars, at the Administrative Agent's Office for Dollar-denominated payments in an amount equal to its Pro Rata Share of the Unreimbursed Amount not later than 1:00 p.m. on the Business Day specified in such notice by the Administrative Agent, whereupon, subject to the provisions of <u>Section 2.03(c)(iii)</u>, each Lender that so makes funds available shall be deemed to have made a Revolving Loan that is a Base Rate Loan to the applicable Borrower in such amount. The Administrative Agent shall remit the funds so received to the L/C Issuer in Dollars.

(iii) With respect to any Unreimbursed Amount that is not fully refinanced by a Borrowing of Revolving Loans that are Base Rate Loans because the conditions set forth in <u>Section 5.02</u> cannot be satisfied or for any other reason, the applicable Borrower shall be deemed to have incurred from the L/C Issuer an L/C Borrowing in the amount of the Unreimbursed Amount that is not so refinanced, which L/C Borrowing shall be due and payable on demand (together with interest) and shall bear interest at the Default Rate. In such event, each Lender's payment to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer pursuant to <u>Section 2.03(c)(ii)</u> shall be deemed payment in respect of its participation in such L/C Borrowing and shall constitute an L/C Advance from such Lender in satisfaction of its participation obligation under this <u>Section 2.03</u>.

(iv) Until each Lender funds its Revolving Loan or L/C Advance pursuant to this <u>Section 2.03(c)</u> to reimburse the L/C Issuer for any amount drawn under any Letter of Credit, interest in respect of such Lender's Pro Rata Share of such amount shall be solely for the account of the L/C Issuer.

(v) Each Lender's obligation to make Revolving Loans or L/C Advances to reimburse the L/C Issuer for amounts drawn under Letters of Credit, as contemplated by this <u>Section 2.03(c)</u>, shall be absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance, including (A) any set-off, counterclaim, recoupment, defense or other right which such Lender may have against the L/C Issuer, the Borrowers or any other Person for any reason whatsoever; (B) the occurrence or continuance of a Default, or (C) any other occurrence, event or condition, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing; provided, however, that each Lender's obligation to make Revolving Loans pursuant to this <u>Section 2.03(c)</u> is subject to the conditions set forth in <u>Section 5.02</u> (other than delivery by the applicable Borrower of a Loan Notice). No such making of an L/C Advance shall relieve or otherwise impair the obligation of any Borrower to reimburse the L/C Issuer for the amount of any payment made by the L/C Issuer under any Letter of Credit, together with interest as provided herein.

(vi) If any Lender fails to make available to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer any amount required to be paid by such Lender pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 2.03(c)</u> by the time specified in <u>Section 2.03(c)(ii)</u>, then, without limiting the other provisions of this Agreement, the L/C Issuer shall be entitled to recover from such Lender (acting through the Administrative Agent), on demand, such amount with interest thereon for the period from the date such payment is required to the date on which such payment is immediately available to the L/C Issuer at a rate per annum equal to the applicable Overnight Rate from time to time in effect, plus any administrative, processing or similar fees customarily charged by the L/C Issuer in connection with the foregoing. If such Lender pays such amount (with interest and fees as aforesaid), the amount so paid shall constitute such Lender's Revolving Loan included in the relevant Borrowing or L/C Advance in respect of the relevant L/C Borrowing, as the case may be. A certificate of the L/C Issuer submitted to any Lender (through the Administrative Agent) with respect to any amounts owing under this clause (vi) shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

(d) Repayment of Participations.

(i) At any time after the L/C Issuer has made a payment under any Letter of Credit and has received from any Lender such Lender's L/C Advance in respect of such payment in accordance with <u>Section 2.03(c)</u>, if the Administrative Agent receives for the account of the L/C Issuer any payment in respect of the related Unreimbursed Amount or interest thereon (whether directly from the applicable Borrower or otherwise, including proceeds of Cash Collateral applied thereto by the Administrative Agent), the Administrative Agent will distribute to such Lender its Pro Rata Share thereof in Dollars and in the same funds as those received by the Administrative Agent.

(ii) If any payment received by the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer pursuant to <u>Section 2.03(c)(i)</u> is required to be returned under any of the circumstances described in <u>Section 11.05</u> (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the L/C Issuer in

its discretion), each Lender shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer its Pro Rata Share thereof on demand of the Administrative Agent, plus interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such amount is returned by such Lender, at a rate per annum equal to the applicable Overnight Rate from time to time in effect. The obligations of the Lenders under this clause shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

(e) <u>Obligations Absolute</u>. The obligation of the Borrowers to reimburse the L/C Issuer for each drawing under each Letter of Credit and to repay each L/C Borrowing shall be absolute, unconditional and irrevocable, and shall be paid strictly in accordance with the terms of this Agreement under all circumstances, including the following:

(i) any lack of validity or enforceability of such Letter of Credit, this Agreement or any other Loan Document;

(ii) the existence of any claim, counterclaim, set-off, defense or other right that the Borrowers or any Subsidiary may have at any time against any beneficiary or any transferee of such Letter of Credit (or any Person for whom any such beneficiary or any such transferee may be acting), the L/C Issuer or any other Person, whether in connection with this Agreement, the transactions contemplated hereby or by such Letter of Credit or any agreement or instrument relating thereto, or any unrelated transaction;

(iii) any draft, demand, certificate or other document presented under such Letter of Credit proving to be forged, fraudulent, invalid or insufficient in any respect or any statement therein being untrue or inaccurate in any respect; or any loss or delay in the transmission or otherwise of any document required in order to make a drawing under such Letter of Credit;

(iv) any payment by the L/C Issuer under such Letter of Credit against presentation of a draft or certificate that does not strictly comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit; or any payment made by the L/C Issuer under such Letter of Credit to any Person purporting to be a trustee in bankruptcy, debtor-in-possession, assignee for the benefit of creditors, liquidator, receiver or other representative of or successor to any beneficiary or any transferee of such Letter of Credit, including any arising in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law;

(v) waiver by the L/C Issuer of any requirement that exists for the L/C Issuer's protection and not the protection of any Borrower or any waiver by the L/C Issuer which does not in fact materially prejudice any Borrower;

(vi) honor of a demand for payment presented electronically even if such Letter of Credit requires that demand be in the form of a draft;

(vii) any payment made by the L/C Issuer in respect of an otherwise complying item presented after the date specified as the expiration date of, or the date by which documents must be received under such Letter of Credit if presentation after such date is authorized by the UCC, the ISP or the UCP, as applicable;

(viii) any adverse change in the relevant exchange rates or in the availability of the relevant Alternative Currency to the Borrowers or any Subsidiary or in the relevant currency markets generally; or

(ix) any other circumstance or happening whatsoever, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing, including any other circumstance that might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, the Borrowers or any Subsidiary.

The applicable Borrower shall promptly examine a copy of each Letter of Credit and each amendment thereto that is delivered to it and, in the event of any claim of noncompliance with such Borrower's instructions or other irregularity, such Borrower will immediately notify the L/C Issuer. The Borrowers shall be conclusively deemed to have waived any such claim against the L/C Issuer and its correspondents unless such notice is given as aforesaid.

(f) Role of L/C Issuer. Each Lender and each Borrower agree that, in paying any drawing under a Letter of Credit, the L/C Issuer shall not have any responsibility to obtain any document (other than any sight draft, certificates and documents expressly required by such Letter of Credit) or to ascertain or inquire as to the validity or accuracy of any such document or the authority of the Person executing or delivering any such document. None of the L/C Issuer, the Administrative Agent, any of their respective Related Parties nor any correspondent, participant or assignee of the L/C Issuer shall be liable to any Lender for (i) any action taken or omitted in connection herewith at the request or with the approval of the Lenders or the Required Lenders, as applicable; (ii) any action taken or omitted in the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct; or (iii) the due execution, effectiveness, validity or enforceability of any document or instrument related to any Letter of Credit or Issuer Document. The Borrowers hereby assume all risks of the acts or omissions of any beneficiary or transferee with respect to its use of any Letter of Credit; provided, however, that this assumption is not intended to, and shall not, preclude any Borrower's pursuing such rights and remedies as it may have against the beneficiary or transferee at law or under any other agreement. None of the L/C Issuer, the Administrative Agent, any of their respective Related Parties nor any correspondent, participant or assignee of the L/C Issuer, shall be liable or responsible for any of the matters described in clauses (i) through (ix) of Section 2.03(e); provided, however, that anything in such clauses to the contrary notwithstanding, a Borrower may have a claim against the L/C Issuer, and the L/C Issuer may be liable to such Borrower, to the extent, but only to the extent, of any direct, as opposed to consequential or exemplary, damages suffered by such Borrower which such Borrower proves were caused by the L/C Issuer's willful misconduct or gross negligence or the L/C Issuer's willful failure to pay under any Letter of Credit after the presentation to it by the beneficiary of a sight draft and certificate(s) strictly complying with the terms and conditions of a Letter of Credit unless the L/C Issuer is prevented or prohibited from so paying as a result of any order or directive of any court or other Governmental Authority. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, the L/C Issuer may accept documents that appear on their face to be in order, without responsibility for further investigation, regardless of any notice or information to the contrary, and the L/C Issuer shall not be responsible for the validity or sufficiency of any instrument transferring or assigning or purporting to transfer or assign a Letter of Credit or the rights or benefits thereunder or proceeds thereof, in whole or in part, which may prove to be invalid or ineffective for any reason; provided, however, that the Borrower may have a claim against the L/C Issuer, and the L/C Issuer may be liable to the Borrower, to the extent, but only to the extent, of any direct, as opposed to consequential or exemplary, damages suffered by the Borrower which the Borrower proves were caused by the L/C Issuer's willful misconduct or gross negligence. The L/C Issuer may send a Letter of Credit or conduct any communication to or from the beneficiary via the Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication ("SWIFT") message or overnight courier, or any other commercially reasonable means of communicating with a beneficiary.

(g) <u>Applicability of ISP and UCP</u>. Unless otherwise expressly agreed by the L/C Issuer and the applicable Borrower when a Letter of Credit is issued (including any such agreement applicable to an Existing Letter of Credit), (i) the rules of the ISP shall apply to each standby Letter of Credit, and (ii) the rules of the UCP shall apply to each commercial Letter of Credit. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the L/C

Issuer shall not be responsible to any Borrower for, and the L/C Issuer's rights and remedies against such Borrower shall not be impaired by, any action or inaction of the L/C Issuer required under any Law or practice that is required to be applied to any Letter of Credit, including the Law of a jurisdiction where the L/C Issuer or the beneficiary is located, the practice stated in the ISP or UCP, as applicable, or in the decisions, opinions, practice statements, or official commentary of the ICC Banking Commission, the Bankers Association for Finance and Trade—International Financial Services Association (BAFT-IFSA), or the Institute of International Banking Law & Practice, whether or not any Letter of Credit chooses such Law or practice.

(h) Letter of Credit Fees. The Borrowers shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Lender in accordance, subject to Section 2.16, with its Pro Rata Share, in Dollars, a Letter of Credit fee (the "Letter of Credit Fee") for each Letter of Credit equal to the Applicable Rate times the Dollar Equivalent of the actual daily amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit. For purposes of computing the daily amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.10. Letter of Credit Fees shall be (i) computed on a quarterly basis in arrears and (ii) due and payable on the first Business Day after the end of each March, June, September and December, commencing with the first such date to occur after the issuance of such Letter of Credit, on the Letter of Credit Expiration Date and thereafter on demand. If there is any change in the Applicable Rate during any quarter, the daily amount available to be drawn under each Letter of Credit shall be computed and multiplied by the Applicable Rate separately for each period during such quarter that such Applicable Rate was in effect. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, upon the request of the Required Lenders, while any Event of Default exists, all Letter of Credit Fees shall accrue at the Default Rate.

(i) Fronting Fee and Documentary and Processing Charges Payable to L/C Issuer. The Borrowers shall pay directly to the L/C Issuer for its own account, in Dollars, a fronting fee (i) with respect to each commercial Letter of Credit, at the rate specified in the Fee Letter, computed on the Dollar Equivalent of the amount of such Letter of Credit, at a rate separately agreed between the Borrowers and the L/C Issuer, computed on the Dollar Equivalent of the amount of such Letter of Credit, at a rate separately agreed between the Borrowers and the L/C Issuer, computed on the Dollar Equivalent of the amount of such increase, and payable upon the effectiveness of such amendment, and (iii) with respect to each standby Letter of Credit, at the rate per annum specified in the Fee Letter, computed on the Dollar Equivalent of the daily amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit and on a quarterly basis in arrears. Such fronting fee for standby Letters of Credit shall be due and payable on the tenth Business Day after the end of each March, June, September and December in respect of the most recently-ended quarterly period (or portion thereof, in the case of the first payment), commencing with the first such date to occur after the issuance of such Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with <u>Section 1.10</u>. In addition, the Borrowers shall pay directly to the L/C Issuer relating to letters of credit as from time to time in effect, in Dollars or such Alternative Currency as shall be separately agreed. Such customary fees and standard costs and charges are due and payable on demand and are nonrefundable.

(j) <u>Conflict with Issuer Documents</u>. In the event of any conflict between the terms hereof and the terms of any Issuer Document, the terms hereof shall control.

(k) <u>Letters of Credit Issued for Subsidiaries</u>. Notwithstanding that a Letter of Credit issued or outstanding hereunder is in support of any obligations of, or is for the account of, a Subsidiary, the Borrowers shall be obligated to reimburse the L/C Issuer hereunder for any and all drawings under such

Letter of Credit. The Borrowers hereby acknowledge that the issuance of Letters of Credit for the account of Subsidiaries inures to the benefit of the Borrowers, and that the Borrowers' business derives substantial benefits from the businesses of such Subsidiaries.

2.04 Swing Line Loans.

(a) <u>Swing Line Facility</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Swing Line Lender, in reliance upon the agreements of the other Lenders set forth in this <u>Section 2.04</u>, shall make loans (each such loan, a "<u>Swing Line Loan</u>") to the Domestic Borrowers in Dollars from time to time on any Business Day during the Availability Period in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding the amount of the Swing Line Sublimit, notwithstanding the fact that such Swing Line Loans, when aggregated with the Pro Rata Share of the Outstanding Amount of Revolving Loans and L/C Obligations of the Swing Line Lender in its capacity as a Lender of Revolving Loans, may exceed the amount of such Lender's Revolving Commitment; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (i) after giving effect to any Swing Line Loan, (A) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate Revolving Commitments and (B) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Revolving Loans of any Lender, <u>plus</u> such Lender's Pro Rata Share of the Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations, <u>plus</u> such Lender's Pro Rata Share of the Outstanding Amount of all Swing Line Loan shall not exceed such Lender's Revolving Commitment, (ii) no Borrower shall use the proceeds of any Swing Line Loan to refinance any outstanding Swing Line Loan and (iii) the Swing Line Lender shall not be under any obligation to make any Swing Line Loan if it shall reasonably determine (which determination shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error) that it has, or by such Credit Extension may have, Fronting Exposure. Within the foregoing limits, and subject to the other terms and conditions hereof, the Borrowers may borrow under this <u>Section 2.04</u>. Each Swing Line Loan shall be a Base Rate Loan. Immediately upon the making of a Swing Line Loan, each Lender shall be deemed to, and hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees to, purchase from the Swing Line Loan.

(b) <u>Borrowing Procedures</u>. Each Borrowing of Swing Line Loans shall be made upon the applicable Borrower's irrevocable notice to the Swing Line Lender and the Administrative Agent, which may be given by telephone. Each such notice must be received by the Swing Line Lender and the Administrative Agent not later than 1:00 p.m. on the requested borrowing date, and shall specify (i) the amount to be borrowed, which shall be a minimum principal amount of \$100,000 and integral multiples of \$100,000 in excess thereof, and (ii) the requested borrowing date, which shall be a Business Day. Each such telephonic notice must be confirmed promptly by delivery to the Swing Line Lender and the Administrative Agent of a written Swing Line Loan Notice, appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the applicable Borrower. Promptly after receipt by the Swing Line Lender of any telephonic Swing Line Loan Notice, the Swing Line Lender will confirm with the Administrative Agent (by telephone or in writing) that the Administrative Agent has also received such Swing Line Lender has received notice (by telephone or in writing) from the Administrative Agent (including at the request of any Lender) prior to 2:00 p.m. on the date of the proposed Borrowing of Swing Line Loans (A) directing the Swing Line Lender not to make such Swing Line Loan as a result of the limitations set forth in the proviso to the first sentence of <u>Section 2.04(a)</u>, or (B) that one or more of the applicable conditions specified in such Swing Line Loan Notice, make the amount of its Swing Line Loan available to the applicable Borrower.

(c) Refinancing of Swing Line Loans.

(i) The Swing Line Lender at any time in its sole and absolute discretion may request, on behalf of the Borrowers (which hereby irrevocably request and authorize the Swing Line Lender to so request on their behalf), that each Lender make a Revolving Loan that is a Base Rate Loan in an amount equal to such Lender's Pro Rata Share of the amount of Swing Line Loans then outstanding. Such request shall be made in writing (which written request shall be deemed to be a Loan Notice for purposes hereof) and in accordance with the requirements of <u>Section 2.02</u>, without regard to the minimum and multiples specified therein for the principal amount of Base Rate Loans, but subject to the unutilized portion of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments and the conditions set forth in <u>Section 5.02</u>. The Swing Line Lender shall furnish the applicable Borrower with a copy of the applicable Loan Notice promptly after delivering such notice to the Administrative Agent. Each Lender shall make an amount equal to its Pro Rata Share of the amount specified in such Loan Notice available to the Administrative Agent in Same Day Funds (and the Administrative Agent may apply Cash Collateral available with respect to the applicable Swing Line Loan) for the account of the Swing Line Lender at the Administrative Agent's Office for Dollar-denominated payments not later than 1:00 p.m. on the day specified in such Loan Notice, whereupon, subject to <u>Section 2.04(c)(ii)</u>, each Lender that so makes funds available shall be deemed to have made a Revolving Loan that is a Base Rate Loan to the applicable Borrower in such amount. The Administrative Agent shall remit the funds so received to the Swing Line Lender.

(ii) If for any reason any Swing Line Loan cannot be refinanced by such a Borrowing of Revolving Loans in accordance with <u>Section 2.04(c)(i)</u>, the request for Revolving Loans that are Base Rate Loans submitted by the Swing Line Lender as set forth herein shall be deemed to be a request by the Swing Line Lender that each of the Lenders fund its risk participation in the relevant Swing Line Loan and each Lender's payment to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Swing Line Lender pursuant to <u>Section 2.04(c)(i)</u> shall be deemed payment in respect of such participation.

(iii) If any Lender fails to make available to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Swing Line Lender any amount required to be paid by such Lender pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 2.04(c)</u> by the time specified in <u>Section 2.04(c)(i)</u>, the Swing Line Lender shall be entitled to recover from such Lender (acting through the Administrative Agent), on demand, such amount with interest thereon for the period from the date such payment is required to the date on which such payment is immediately available to the Swing Line Lender at a rate per annum equal to the applicable Overnight Rate from time to time in effect. If such Lender pays such amount (with interest and fees as aforesaid), the amount so paid shall constitute such Lender's Revolving Loan included in the relevant Borrowing or funded participation in the relevant Swing Line Loan, as the case may be. A certificate of the Swing Line Lender submitted to any Lender (through the Administrative Agent) with respect to any amounts owing under this clause (iii) shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

(iv) Each Lender's obligation to make Revolving Loans or to purchase and fund risk participations in Swing Line Loans pursuant to this <u>Section 2.04(c)</u> shall be absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance, including (A) any set-off, counterclaim, recoupment, defense or other right that such Lender may have against the Swing Line Lender, the Borrowers or any other Person for any reason whatsoever, (B) the occurrence or continuance of a Default, or (C) any other occurrence, event or condition, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that each Lender's obligation to make Revolving Loans pursuant to this <u>Section 2.04(c)</u> is subject to the conditions set forth in <u>Section 5.02</u>. No such purchase or funding of risk participations shall relieve or otherwise impair the obligation of the Borrowers to repay Swing Line Loans, together with interest as provided herein.

(d) Repayment of Participations.

(i) At any time after any Lender has purchased and funded a risk participation in a Swing Line Loan, if the Swing Line Lender receives any payment on account of such Swing Line Loan, the Swing Line Lender will distribute to such Lender its Pro Rata Share of such payment (appropriately adjusted, in the case of interest payments, to reflect the period of time during which such Lender's risk participation was funded) in the same funds as those received by the Swing Line Lender.

(ii) If any payment received by the Swing Line Lender in respect of principal or interest on any Swing Line Loan is required to be returned by the Swing Line Lender under any of the circumstances described in <u>Section 11.05</u> (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the Swing Line Lender in its discretion), each Lender shall pay to the Swing Line Lender its Pro Rata Share thereof on demand of the Administrative Agent, plus interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such amount is returned, at a rate per annum equal to the applicable Overnight Rate. The Administrative Agent will make such demand upon the request of the Swing Line Lender. The obligations of the Lenders under this clause shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

(e) <u>Interest for Account of Swing Line Lender</u>. The Swing Line Lender shall be responsible for invoicing the Borrowers for interest on the Swing Line Loans. Until each Lender funds its Revolving Loans that are Base Rate Loans or risk participation pursuant to this <u>Section 2.04</u> to refinance such Lender's Pro Rata Share of any Swing Line Loan, interest in respect of such Pro Rata Share shall be solely for the account of the Swing Line Lender.

(f) <u>Payments Directly to Swing Line Lender</u>. The Borrowers shall make all payments of principal and interest in respect of the Swing Line Loans directly to the Swing Line Lender.

2.05 Prepayments.

(a) Voluntary Prepayments of Loans.

(i) <u>Revolving Loans</u>. A Borrower may, upon notice from such Borrower to the Administrative Agent, at any time or from time to time voluntarily prepay Revolving Loans in whole or in part without premium or penalty; <u>provided</u> that (A) such notice must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m. (1) three Business Days prior to any date of prepayment of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Dollars, (2) four Business Days (or five, in the case of prepayment of Loans denominated in Special Notice Currencies) prior to any date of prepayment of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Alternative Currencies, and (3) on the date of prepayment of Base Rate Loans; (B) any such prepayment of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Dollars shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$500,000 in excess thereof (or, if less, the entire principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof then outstanding); (C) any prepayment of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Alternative Currencies shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$500,000 in excess thereof (or, if less, the entire principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof (or, if less, the entire principal amount of Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$500,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof (or, if less, the entire principal amount of Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$500,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof (or, if less, the entire principal amount of thereof then outstanding) and (D) any prepayment of Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$500,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof (or, if less, the entire principal amount thereof then outstanding). Each such notice shall specify the date and amount of such prepayment and the Type(s) of Loans to be prepaid and, if Eurocurrency Rate

Loans are to be prepaid, the Interest Period(s) of such Loans. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify each Lender of its receipt of each such notice, and of the amount of such Lender's Pro Rata Share of such prepayment. If such notice is given by a Borrower, such Borrower shall make such prepayment and the payment amount specified in such notice shall be due and payable on the date specified therein. Any prepayment of a Eurocurrency Rate Loan shall be accompanied by all accrued interest on the amount prepaid, together with any additional amounts required pursuant to <u>Section 3.05</u>. Subject to <u>Section 2.16</u>, each such prepayment shall be applied to the Loans of the Lenders in accordance with their respective Pro Rata Shares.

(ii) <u>Swing Line Loans</u>. A Borrower may, upon notice to the Swing Line Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), at any time or from time to time, voluntarily prepay Swing Line Loans in whole or in part without premium or penalty; <u>provided</u> that (i) such notice must be received by the Swing Line Lender and the Administrative Agent not later than 1:00 p.m. on the date of the prepayment, and (ii) any such prepayment shall be in a minimum principal amount of \$100,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof (or, if less, the entire principal thereof then outstanding). Each such notice shall specify the date and amount of such prepayment. If such notice is given by a Borrower, such Borrower shall make such prepayment and the payment amount specified in such notice shall be due and payable on the date specified therein.

(b) Mandatory Prepayments of Loans.

(i) <u>Total Revolving Outstandings</u>. If the Administrative Agent notifies the Company at any time that the Total Revolving Outstandings at such time exceed the Aggregate Revolving Commitments then in effect, then, within two Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Borrowers shall prepay Loans and/or the Borrowers shall Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations in an aggregate amount sufficient to reduce such Outstanding Amount as of such date of payment to an amount not to exceed 100% of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments then in effect; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that, the Borrowers shall not be required to Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations pursuant to this <u>Section 2.05(b)(i)</u> unless after such prepayment of the Loans the Total Revolving Outstandings exceed the Aggregate Revolving Commitments then in effect.

(ii) <u>Alternative Currency Sublimit</u>. If the Administrative Agent notifies the Company at any time that the Outstanding Amount of all Loans and L/C Obligations denominated in Alternative Currencies at such time exceeds the Alternative Currency Sublimit then in effect, then, within two Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Borrowers shall prepay Loans and/or the Borrowers shall Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations in an aggregate amount sufficient to reduce such Outstanding Amount as of such date of payment to an amount not to exceed 100% of the Alternative Currency Sublimit then in effect; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that, the Borrowers shall not be required to Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations pursuant to this <u>Section 2.05(b)(ii)</u> unless after such prepayment of the Loans the Total Revolving Outstandings denominated in Alternative Currencies exceed the Alternative Currency Sublimit then in effect.

(iii) <u>Application of Mandatory Prepayments</u>. All amounts required to be paid pursuant to this <u>Section 2.05(b)</u> shall be applied as follows:

(A) with respect to all amounts prepaid pursuant to <u>Section 2.05(b)(i)</u>, to Revolving Loans and Swing Line Loans and (after all Revolving Loans and all Swing Line Loans have been repaid) to Cash Collateralize L/C Obligations and

(B) with respect to all amounts prepaid pursuant to <u>Section 2.05(b)(ii)</u>, to Revolving Loans and (after all Revolving Loans have been repaid) to Cash Collateralize L/C Obligations.

Within the parameters of the applications set forth above, prepayments shall be applied first to Base Rate Loans and then to Eurocurrency Rate Loans in direct order of Interest Period maturities. All prepayments under this <u>Section 2.05(b)</u> shall be subject to <u>Section 3.05</u>, but otherwise without premium or penalty, and shall be accompanied by interest on the principal amount prepaid through the date of prepayment.

2.06 Termination or Reduction of Aggregate Revolving Commitments.

The Company may, upon notice to the Administrative Agent, terminate the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, or from time to time permanently reduce the Aggregate Revolving Commitments to an amount not less than the Outstanding Amount of Revolving Loans, Swing Line Loans and L/C Obligations; <u>provided</u> that (i) any such notice shall be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 12:00 noon five (5) Business Days prior to the date of termination or reduction, (ii) any such partial reduction shall be in an aggregate amount of \$2,000,000 or any whole multiple of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof and (iii) if, after giving effect to any reduction or termination of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, the Alternative Currency Sublimit, the Letter of Credit Sublimit or the Swing Line Sublimit exceeds the amount of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, such sublimit shall be automatically reduced by the amount of such excess. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify the Lenders of any such notice of termination or reduction of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments. The amount of any such Aggregate Revolving Commitment reduction shall not be applied to the Alternative Currency Sublimit or the Letter of Credit Sublimit unless otherwise specified by the Company. Any reduction of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments shall be applied to the Revolving Commitment of each Lender according to its Pro Rata Share. All fees accrued with respect thereto until the effective date of any termination of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments shall be paid on the effective date of such termination.

2.07 Repayment of Loans.

(a) <u>Revolving Loans</u>. The Borrowers shall repay to the Lenders on the Maturity Date the aggregate principal amount of all Revolving Loans outstanding on such date.

(b) <u>Swing Line Loans</u>. The Borrowers shall repay each Swing Line Loan on the earlier to occur of (i) the date ten Business Days after such Swing Line Loan is made and (ii) the Maturity Date.

2.08 Interest.

(a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (b) below, (i) each Eurocurrency Rate Loan shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof for each Interest Period at a rate per annum equal to the sum of (A) the Eurocurrency Rate for such Interest Period <u>plus</u> (B) the Applicable Rate <u>plus</u> (C) in the case of a Eurocurrency Rate Loan of any Lender which is lent from a Lending Office in the United Kingdom or a Participating Member State, the Mandatory Cost; (ii) each Base Rate Loan shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof from the applicable borrowing date at a rate per annum equal to the sum of (A) the Base Rate <u>plus</u> (B) the Applicable Rate; and (iii) each Swing Line Loan shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof from the applicable borrowing date at a rate per annum equal to the sum of (A) the Base Rate <u>plus</u> (B) the Applicable Rate; and (iii) each Swing Line Loan shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof from the applicable Rate.

(b) (i) If any amount of principal of any Loan is not paid when due, whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise, such amount shall thereafter bear interest at a fluctuating interest rate per annum at all times equal to the Default Rate to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws.

(ii) If any amount (other than principal of any Loan) payable by the Borrowers under any Loan Document is not paid when due, whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise, then upon the request of the Required Lenders, such amount shall thereafter bear interest at a fluctuating interest rate per annum at all times equal to the Default Rate to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws.

(iii) Upon the request of the Required Lenders, while any Event of Default exists (other than as set forth in clauses (b)(i) and (b)(ii) above), the Borrowers shall pay interest on the principal amount of all outstanding Obligations hereunder at a fluctuating interest rate per annum at all times equal to the Default Rate to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws.

(iv) Accrued and unpaid interest on past due amounts (including interest on past due interest) shall be due and payable upon demand to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws.

(c) Interest on each Loan shall be due and payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date applicable thereto and at such other times as may be specified herein. Interest hereunder shall be due and payable in accordance with the terms hereof before and after judgment, and before and after the commencement of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law.

2.09 Fees.

In addition to certain fees described in subsections (h) and (i) of Section 2.03:

(a) <u>Commitment Fee</u>. The Company shall pay to the Administrative Agent, for the account of each Lender in accordance with its Pro Rata Share, a commitment fee in Dollars equal to the product of (A) the Applicable Rate <u>times</u> (B) the actual daily amount by which the Aggregate Revolving Commitments exceed the sum of (1) the Outstanding Amount of Revolving Loans and (2) the Outstanding Amount of L/C Obligations, subject to adjustment as provided in <u>Section 2.16</u>. Such commitment fee shall accrue at all times during the Availability Period, including at any time during which one or more of the conditions in <u>Article V</u> is not met, and shall be due and payable quarterly in arrears on the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December, commencing with the first such date to occur after the Closing Date, and on the last day of the Availability Period. Such commitment fee shall be calculated quarterly in arrears, and if there is any change in the Applicable Rate during any quarter, the actual daily amount shall be computed and multiplied by the Applicable Rate separately for each period during such quarter that such Applicable Rate was in effect. For purposes of clarification, Swing Line Loans shall not be considered outstanding for purposes of determining the unused portion of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments.

(b) Other Fees.

(i) The Company shall pay to MLPFS and the Administrative Agent for their own respective accounts, in Dollars, fees in the amounts and at the times specified in the Fee Letter. Such fees shall be fully earned when paid and shall be non-refundable for any reason whatsoever.

(ii) The Company shall pay to the Lenders such fees as shall have been separately agreed upon in writing in the amounts and at the times so specified. Such fees shall be fully earned when paid and shall not be refundable for any reason whatsoever.

2.10 Computation of Interest and Fees; Retroactive Adjustment of Applicable Rate.

(a) All computations of interest for Base Rate Loans (including Base Rate Loans determined by reference to the Eurocurrency Rate) shall be made on the basis of a year of 365 or 366 days, as the case may be, and actual days elapsed. All other computations of fees and interest shall be made on the basis of a 360-day year and actual days elapsed (which results in more fees or interest, as applicable, being paid than if computed on the basis of a 365-day year), or, in the case of interest in respect of Loans denominated in Alternative Currencies as to which market practice differs from the foregoing, in accordance with such market practice. Interest shall accrue on each Loan for the day on which the Loan is made, and shall not accrue on a Loan, or any portion thereof, for the day on which the Loan or such portion is paid, provided that any Loan that is repaid on the same day on which it is made shall, subject to <u>Section 2.12(a)</u>, bear interest for one day. Each determination by the Administrative Agent of an interest rate or fee hereunder shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent demonstrable error.

(b) If, as a result of any restatement of or other adjustment to the financial statements of the Company or for any other reason, the Company or the Lenders determine that (i) the Consolidated Net Leverage Ratio as calculated by the Company as of any applicable date was inaccurate and (ii) a proper calculation of the Consolidated Net Leverage Ratio would have resulted in higher pricing for such period, the Company shall immediately and retroactively be obligated to pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of the applicable Lenders or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, promptly on demand by the Administrative Agent (accompanied by supporting materials, or, after the occurrence of an actual or deemed entry of an order for relief with respect to the Company under the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, automatically and without further action by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer), an amount equal to the excess of the amount of interest and fees that should have been paid for such period over the amount of interest and fees actually paid for such period. This paragraph shall not limit the rights of the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, under this Agreement. The Company's obligations under this paragraph shall survive the termination of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments and the repayment of all other Obligations hereunder.

2.11 Evidence of Debt.

(a) The Credit Extensions made by each Lender shall be evidenced by one or more accounts or records maintained by such Lender and by the Administrative Agent in the ordinary course of business. The accounts or records maintained by the Administrative Agent and each Lender shall be conclusive absent demonstrable error of the amount of the Credit Extensions made by the Lenders to the Borrowers and the interest and payments thereon. Any failure to so record or any error in doing so shall not, however, limit or otherwise affect the obligation of the Borrowers hereunder to pay any amount owing with respect to the Obligations. In the event of any conflict between the accounts and records maintained by any Lender and the accounts and records of the Administrative Agent in respect of such matters, the accounts and records of the Administrative Agent shall control in the absence of demonstrable error. Upon the request of any Lender made through the Administrative Agent, the Borrowers shall execute and deliver to such Lender (through the Administrative Agent) a promissory note, which shall evidence such Lender's Loans in addition to such accounts or records. Each such promissory note shall be in the form of <u>Exhibit 2.11</u> (a "<u>Note</u>"). Each Lender may attach schedules to its Note and endorse thereon the date, Type (if applicable), amount, currency and maturity of its Loans and payments with respect thereto.

(b) In addition to the accounts and records referred to in subsection (a), each Lender and the Administrative Agent shall maintain in accordance with its usual practice accounts or records evidencing the purchases and sales by such Lender of participations in Letters of Credit and Swing Line Loans. In the event of any conflict between the accounts and records maintained by the Administrative Agent and the accounts and records of any Lender in respect of such matters, the accounts and records of the Administrative Agent shall control in the absence of manifest error.

2.12 Payments Generally.

(a) General. All payments to be made by the Borrowers shall be made free and clear of and without condition or deduction for any counterclaim, defense, recoupment or set-off. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein and except with respect to principal of and interest on Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency, all payments by the Borrowers hereunder shall be made to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the respective Lenders to which such payment is owed, at the applicable Administrative Agent's Office in Dollars and in Same Day Funds not later than 2:00 p.m. on the date specified herein. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all payments by the Borrowers hereunder with respect to principal and interest on Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency shall be made to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the respective Lenders to which such payment is owed, at the applicable Administrative Agent's Office in such Alternative Currency and in Same Day Funds not later than the Applicable Time specified by the Administrative Agent on the dates specified herein. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Administrative Agent may require that any payments due under this Agreement be made in the United States. If, for any reason, a Borrower is prohibited by any Law from making any required payment hereunder in an Alternative Currency, such Borrower shall make such payment in Dollars in the Dollar Equivalent of the Alternative Currency payment amount. The Administrative Agent will promptly distribute to each Lender its Pro Rata Share (or other applicable share as provided herein) of such payment in like funds as received by wire transfer to such Lender's Lending Office. All payments received by the Administrative Agent (i) after 2:00 p.m., in the case of payments in Dollars, or (ii) after the Applicable Time specified by the Administrative Agent in the case of payments in an Alternative Currency, shall in each case shall be deemed received on the next succeeding Business Day and any applicable interest or fee shall continue to accrue. Subject to the definition of "Interest Period", if any payment to be made by any Borrower shall come due on a day other than a Business Day, payment shall be made on the next following Business Day, and such extension of time shall be reflected in computing interest or fees, as the case may be.

(b) (i) Funding by Lenders; Presumption by Administrative Agent. Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from a Lender prior to the proposed date of any Borrowing of Eurocurrency Rate Loans (or, in the case of any Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, prior to 12:00 noon on the date of such Borrowing) that such Lender will not make available to the Administrative Agent such Lender's share of such Borrowing, the Administrative Agent may assume that such Lender has made such share available on such date in accordance with <u>Section 2.02</u> (or, in the case of a Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, that such Lender has made such share available in accordance with and at the time required by <u>Section 2.02</u>) and may, in reliance upon such assumption, make available to the applicable Borrower a corresponding amount. In such event, if a Lender has not in fact made its share of the applicable Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent, then the applicable Lender and the applicable Borrower severally agree to pay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand such corresponding amount in Same Day Funds with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is made available to such Borrower to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at (A) in the case of a payment to be made by such Lender, the Overnight Rate, plus any administrative, processing or similar fees customarily charged by the Administrative Agent in connection with the foregoing, and (B) in the case of a payment to be made by such Borrower, the interest rate applicable to Base Rate Loans. If such Borrower and such Lender shall pay such interest to the

Administrative Agent for the same or an overlapping period, the Administrative Agent shall promptly remit to such Borrower the amount of such interest paid by such Borrower for such period. If such Lender pays its share of the applicable Borrowing to the Administrative Agent, then the amount so paid shall constitute such Lender's Loan included in such Borrowing. Any payment by such Borrower shall be without prejudice to any claim such Borrower may have against a Lender that shall have failed to make such payment to the Administrative Agent.

(ii) <u>Payments by Borrower; Presumption by Administrative Agent</u>. Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from a Borrower prior to the time at which any payment is due to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lenders or the L/C Issuer hereunder that such Borrower will not make such payment, the Administrative Agent may assume that such Borrower has made such payment on such date in accordance herewith and may, in reliance upon such assumption, distribute to the Lenders or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, the amount due. In such event, if such Borrower has not in fact made such payment, then each of the Lenders or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand the amount so distributed to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, in Same Day Funds with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is distributed to it to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at the Overnight Rate.

A notice of the Administrative Agent to any Lender or any Borrower with respect to any amount owing under this subsection (b) shall be conclusive, absent demonstrable error.

(c) <u>Failure to Satisfy Conditions Precedent</u>. If any Lender makes available to the Administrative Agent funds for any Loan to be made by such Lender as provided in the foregoing provisions of this <u>Article II</u>, and such funds are not made available to the applicable Borrower by the Administrative Agent because the conditions to the applicable Credit Extension set forth in <u>Article V</u> are not satisfied or waived in accordance with the terms hereof, the Administrative Agent shall return such funds (in like funds as received from such Lender) to such Lender, without interest.

(d) <u>Obligations of Lenders Several</u>. The obligations of the Lenders hereunder to make Loans, to fund participations in Letters of Credit and Swing Line Loans and to make payments pursuant to <u>Section 11.04(c)</u> are several and not joint. The failure of any Lender to make any Loan, to fund any such participation or to make any payment under <u>Section 11.04(c)</u> on any date required hereunder shall not relieve any other Lender of its corresponding obligation to do so on such date, and no Lender shall be responsible for the failure of any other Lender to so make its Loan, to purchase its participation or to make its payment under <u>Section 11.04(c)</u>.

(e) <u>Funding Source</u>. Nothing herein shall be deemed to obligate any Lender to obtain the funds for any Loan in any particular place or manner or to constitute a representation by any Lender that it has obtained or will obtain the funds for any Loan in any particular place or manner.

2.13 Sharing of Payments by Lenders.

If any Lender shall, by exercising any right of setoff or counterclaim or otherwise, obtain payment in respect of any principal of or interest on any of the Loans made by it, or the participations in L/C Obligations or in Swing Line Loans held by it resulting in such Lender's receiving payment of a proportion of the aggregate amount of such Loans or participations and accrued interest thereon greater than its <u>pro rata</u> share thereof as provided herein, then the Lender receiving such greater proportion shall (a) notify the Administrative Agent of such fact, and (b) purchase (for cash at face value) participations in the Loans and subparticipations in L/C Obligations and Swing Line Loans of the other Lenders, or make

such other adjustments as shall be equitable, so that the benefit of all such payments shall be shared by the Lenders ratably in accordance with the aggregate amount of principal of and accrued interest on their respective Loans and other amounts owing them, <u>provided</u> that:

(i) if any such participations or subparticipations are purchased and all or any portion of the payment giving rise thereto is recovered, such participations or subparticipations shall be rescinded and the purchase price restored to the extent of such recovery, without interest; and

(ii) the provisions of this Section shall not be construed to apply to (A) any payment made by or on behalf of a Loan Party pursuant to and in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement (including the application of funds arising from the existence of a Defaulting Lender), (B) the application of Cash Collateral provided for in Section 2.15, or (C) any payment obtained by a Lender as consideration for the assignment of or sale of a participation in any of its Loans or subparticipations in L/C Obligations or Swing Line Loans to any assignee or participant, other than an assignment to any Loan Party or any Subsidiary (as to which the provisions of this Section shall apply).

Each Loan Party consents to the foregoing and agrees, to the extent it may effectively do so under applicable law, that any Lender acquiring a participation pursuant to the foregoing arrangements may exercise against such Loan Party rights of setoff and counterclaim with respect to such participation as fully as if such Lender were a direct creditor of such Loan Party in the amount of such participation.

2.14 Designated Borrowers.

(a) Effective as of the Closing Date, each of Brady Worldwide, Inc., a Wisconsin corporation ("<u>Worldwide</u>"), Tricor Direct, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Tricor</u>"), and Brady Finance Luxembourg, shall be a "Designated Borrower" hereunder and may receive Loans for its account on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

(b) The Company may at any time, upon not less than 15 Business Days' notice from the Company to the Administrative Agent (or such shorter period as may be agreed by the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion), request the designation of any Wholly Owned Subsidiary of the Company that is not an Excluded Subsidiary (an "<u>Applicant Borrower</u>") as a Designated Borrower to receive Loans and Letters of Credit hereunder by delivering to the Administrative Agent (which shall promptly deliver copies thereof to each Lender) a duly executed notice in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit 2.14(a)</u> (a "<u>Designated Borrower</u> <u>Request</u>"). If (i) in the case of a Foreign Subsidiary, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, and (ii) in the case of a Domestic Subsidiary, the Administrative Agent and the Required Lenders, agree (which agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed) that an Applicant Borrower shall be entitled to receive Loans hereunder, then the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, or the Required Lenders, as applicable, shall send an agreement in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit 2.14(b)</u> (a "<u>Designated Borrower Joinder Agreement</u>") to the Company specifying, if such Applicant Borrower is a Foreign Subsidiary, the additional terms and conditions applicable to extensions of credit to such Applicant Borrower. Upon the execution of such Designated Borrower Joinder Agreement by the Company, such Applicant Borrower and the Administrative Agent and the satisfaction of the conditions applicable to extensions of credit set forth in the Designated Borrower Joinder Agreement, such Applicant Borrower shall be a Designated Borrower and permitted to receive Loans hereunder, on the terms and conditions set forth herein and therein, and such Applicant Borrower otherwise shall be a Borrower for all purposes of this Agreement; <u>provided</u> that, unless otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent, no Loan Notice or Letter of Credit Application may be submitted by or on behalf of such Designated Borrower until the d

Borrower becoming entitled to utilize the credit facility provided for in this Agreement the Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall have received such supporting resolutions, incumbency certificates, opinions of counsel and other documents or information, in form, content and scope reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, as may be required by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion.

(c) The Obligations of the Domestic Borrowers shall be joint and several in nature. The Obligations of each of the Designated Borrowers that is a Foreign Subsidiary shall be several in nature.

(d) Each Subsidiary of the Company that is or becomes a "Designated Borrower" pursuant to this <u>Section 2.14</u> hereby irrevocably appoints the Company as its agent for all purposes relevant to this Agreement and each of the other Loan Documents, including (i) the giving and receipt of notices, (ii) the execution and delivery of all documents, instruments and certificates contemplated herein and all modifications hereto, and (iii) the receipt of the proceeds of any Loans made by the Lenders, to any such Designated Borrower hereunder. Any acknowledgment, consent, direction, certification or other action which might otherwise be valid or effective only if given or taken by all Borrowers, or by each Borrower acting singly, shall be valid and effective if given or taken only by the Company, whether or not any such other Borrower joins therein. Any notice, demand, consent, acknowledgment, direction, certification or other communication delivered to the Company in accordance with the terms of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been delivered to each Designated Borrower; <u>provided</u> that if such communication is directed to a specific Designated Borrower, it shall indicate to which Designated Borrower it is directed.

(e) The Company may from time to time, upon not less than 10 Business Days' notice from the Company to the Administrative Agent (or such shorter period as may be agreed by the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion), terminate a Designated Borrower's status as such, provided that there are no outstanding Loans or L/C Obligations payable by such Designated Borrower, or other amounts payable by such Designated Borrower on account of any Credit Extensions made to it, as of the effective date of such termination. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify the Lenders of any such termination of a Designated Borrower's status.

2.15 Cash Collateral.

(a) <u>Certain Credit Support Events</u>. If (i) the L/C Issuer has honored any full or partial drawing request under any Letter of Credit and such drawing has resulted in an L/C Borrowing, (ii) as of the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, any L/C Obligation for any reason remains outstanding, (iii) the applicable Borrower shall be required to provide Cash Collateral pursuant to <u>Section 9.02(c)</u> or (iv) there shall exist a Defaulting Lender, the applicable Borrower shall immediately (in the case of clause (iii) above) or within one Business Day (in all other cases) following any request by the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer provide Cash Collateral in an amount not less than the applicable Minimum Collateral Amount (determined in the case of Cash Collateral provided pursuant to clause (iv) above, after giving effect to <u>Section 2.16(b)</u> and any Cash Collateral provided by the Defaulting Lender).

(b) <u>Grant of Security Interest</u>. Each Borrower, and to the extent provided by any Defaulting Lender, such Defaulting Lender, hereby grants to (and subjects to the control of) the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders, and agrees to maintain, a first priority security interest in all such cash, deposit accounts and all balances therein, and all other property so provided as collateral pursuant hereto, and in all proceeds of the foregoing, all as security for the obligations to which such Cash Collateral may be applied pursuant to <u>Section 2.15(c)</u>. If at any time the Administrative Agent determines that Cash Collateral is subject to any right or claim of any Person other than the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer as herein provided (other than Liens permitted under <u>Section 7.08(a)</u> or <u>7.08(h)</u>), or that the total amount of such Cash Collateral is less than the Minimum Collateral Amount, the applicable Borrower or the relevant Defaulting Lender will,

promptly upon demand by the Administrative Agent (which demand shall include a reasonably detailed accounting of the amount so demanded), pay or provide to the Administrative Agent additional Cash Collateral in an amount sufficient to eliminate such deficiency. All Cash Collateral (other than credit support not constituting funds subject to deposit) shall be maintained in one or more Controlled Accounts at Bank of America. The applicable Borrower or the relevant Defaulting Lender shall pay on demand therefor from time to time all customary account opening, activity and other administrative fees and charges in connection with the maintenance and disbursement of Cash Collateral.

(c) <u>Application</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, Cash Collateral provided under any of this <u>Section 2.15</u> or <u>Sections 2.03</u>, 2.04, 2.05, 2.16 or 9.02 in respect of Letters of Credit shall be held and applied to the satisfaction of the specific L/C Obligations, obligations to fund participations therein (including, as to Cash Collateral provided by a Defaulting Lender, any interest accrued on such obligation) and other obligations for which the Cash Collateral was so provided, prior to any other application of such property as may otherwise be provided for herein.

(d) <u>Release</u>. Cash Collateral (or the appropriate portion thereof) provided to reduce Fronting Exposure or to secure other obligations shall be released promptly following (i) the elimination of the applicable Fronting Exposure or other obligations giving rise thereto (including by the termination of Defaulting Lender status of the applicable Lender (or, as appropriate, its assignee following compliance with <u>Section 11.06(b)(vi)</u>)) or (ii) the good faith determination by the Administrative Agent and, to the extent the Cash Collateral was provided for the benefit of the L/C Issuer, the L/C Issuer that there exists excess Cash Collateral; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, (x) any such release shall be without prejudice to, and any disbursement or other transfer of Cash Collateral shall be and remain subject to, any other Lien conferred under the Loan Documents and the other applicable provisions of the Loan Documents, and (y) the Person providing Cash Collateral and the L/C Issuer may agree that Cash Collateral shall not be released but instead held to support future anticipated Fronting Exposure or other obligations.

2.16 Defaulting Lenders.

(a) <u>Adjustments</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement or any other Loan Document, if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then, until such time as that Lender is no longer a Defaulting Lender, to the extent permitted by applicable Law:

(i) <u>Waivers and Amendments</u>. Such Defaulting Lender's right to approve or disapprove any amendment, waiver or consent with respect to this Agreement shall be restricted as set forth in the definition of "Required Lenders" and <u>Section 11.01</u>.

(ii) <u>Defaulting Lender Waterfall</u>. Any payment of principal, interest, fees or other amounts received by the Administrative Agent for the account of such Defaulting Lender (whether voluntary or mandatory, at maturity, pursuant to <u>Article IX</u> or otherwise) or received by the Administrative Agent from a Defaulting Lender pursuant to <u>Section 11.08</u> shall be applied at such time or times as may be determined by the Administrative Agent as follows: <u>first</u>, to the payment of any amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender to the Administrative Agent hereunder; <u>second</u>, to the payment on a pro rata basis of any amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender in accordance with <u>Section 2.15</u>; <u>fourth</u>, as the Company may request (so long as no Default or Event of Default exists), to the funding of any Loan in respect of which such Defaulting Lender has failed to fund its portion thereof as required by this Agreement, as determined by the Administrative Agent; <u>fifth</u>, if so determined by the Administrative Agent and the Company, to be held in a deposit account and released pro rata in order to (x) satisfy such Defaulting Lender's potential future funding

obligations with respect to Loans under this Agreement and (y) Cash Collateralize the L/C Issuer's future Fronting Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender with respect to future Letters of Credit issued under this Agreement, in accordance with <u>Section 2.15</u>; <u>sixth</u>, to the payment of any amounts owing to the Lenders, the L/C Issuer or Swing Line Lender as a result of any judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction obtained by any Lender, the L/C Issuer or the Swing Line Lender against such Defaulting Lender as a result of such Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; <u>seventh</u>, so long as no Default or Event of Default exists, to the payment of any amounts owing to the Borrowers as a result of any judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction obtained by any Borrower against such Defaulting Lender as a result of such Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; and <u>eighth</u>, to such Defaulting Lender or as otherwise directed by a court of competent jurisdiction; <u>provided</u> that if (x) such payment is a payment of the principal amount of any Loans or L/C Borrowings in respect of which such Defaulting Lender has not fully funded its appropriate share, and (y) such Loans were made or the related Letters of Credit were issued at a time when the conditions set forth in <u>Section 5.02</u> were satisfied or waived, such payment of any Loans of, or L/C Obligations owed to, such Defaulting Lender such and funded and unfunded participations in L/C Obligations and Swing Line Loans are held by the Lenders pro rata in accordance with the Commitments hereunder without giving effect to <u>Section 2.16(b</u>). Any payments, prepayments or other amounts paid or payable to a Defaulting Lender that are applied (or held) to pay amounts owed by a Defaulting Lender or to post Cash Collateral pursuant to this <u>Section 2.16(a)(ii)</u> shall be deemed paid to and redirected by such Defaulting Lender inrevocably consents hereto.

(iii) Certain Fees.

(A) No Defaulting Lender shall be entitled to receive any fee payable under <u>Section 2.09(a)</u> for any period during which that Lender is a Defaulting Lender (and the Borrowers shall not be required to pay any such fee that otherwise would have been required to have been paid to that Defaulting Lender).

(B) Each Defaulting Lender shall be entitled to receive Letter of Credit Fees for any period during which that Lender is a Defaulting Lender only to the extent allocable to its Pro Rata Share of the stated amount of Letters of Credit for which it has provided Cash Collateral pursuant to Section 2.15.

(C) With respect to any Letter of Credit Fee not required to be paid to any Defaulting Lender pursuant to clause (B) above, the Borrowers shall (x) pay to each Non-Defaulting Lender that portion of any such fee otherwise payable to such Defaulting Lender with respect to such Defaulting Lender's participation in L/C Obligations that has been reallocated to such Non-Defaulting Lender pursuant to clause (b) below, (y) pay to the L/C Issuer the amount of any such fee otherwise payable to such Defaulting Lender to the extent allocable to such L/C Issuer's Fronting Exposure to such Defaulting Lender, and (z) not be required to pay the remaining amount of any such fee.

(b) <u>Reallocation of Pro Rata Shares to Reduce Fronting Exposure</u>. All or any part of such Defaulting Lender's participation in L/C Obligations and Swing Line Loans shall be reallocated among the Non-Defaulting Lenders in accordance with their respective Pro Rata Shares (calculated without regard to such Defaulting Lender's Commitment) but only to the extent that (x) the conditions set forth in <u>Section 5.02</u> are satisfied at the time of such reallocation (and, unless the Company shall have otherwise notified the Administrative Agent at such time, the Borrowers shall be deemed to have represented and

warranted that such conditions are satisfied at such time), and (y) such reallocation does not cause the portion of the Total Revolving Outstandings of any Non-Defaulting Lender to exceed such Non-Defaulting Lender's Commitment. No reallocation hereunder shall constitute a waiver or release of any claim of any party hereunder against a Defaulting Lender arising from that Lender having become a Defaulting Lender, including any claim of a Non-Defaulting Lender as a result of such Non-Defaulting Lender's increased exposure following such reallocation.

(c) <u>Cash Collateral, Repayment of Swing Line Loans</u>. If the reallocation described in <u>clause (b)</u> above cannot, or can only partially, be effected, the Borrowers shall, without prejudice to any right or remedy available to it hereunder or under applicable Law, (x) <u>first</u>, prepay Swing Line Loans in an amount equal to the Swing Line Lenders' Fronting Exposure and (y) <u>second</u>, Cash Collateralize the L/C Issuers' Fronting Exposure in accordance with the procedures set forth in <u>Section 2.15</u>.

(d) <u>Defaulting Lender Cure</u>. The Administrative Agent agrees to promptly notify the Company upon the Administrative Agent's actual knowledge of any Lender becoming a Defaulting Lender and the Administrative Agent's actual knowledge of the occurrence of any Lender ceasing to be a Defaulting Lender. If the Company, the Administrative Agent, the Swing Line Lender and the L/C Issuer agree in writing that a Lender is no longer a Defaulting Lender, the Administrative Agent will so notify the parties hereto, whereupon as of the effective date specified in such notice and subject to any conditions set forth therein (which may include arrangements with respect to any Cash Collateral), that Lender will, to the extent applicable, purchase at par that portion of outstanding Loans of the other Lenders or take such other actions as the Administrative Agent may determine to be necessary to cause the Loans and funded and unfunded participations in Letters of Credit and Swing Line Loans to be held on a pro rata basis by the Lenders in accordance with their Pro Rata Shares (without giving effect to <u>Section 2.16(b)</u> as to such Lender), whereupon such Lender will cease to be a Defaulting Lender; <u>provided</u> that no adjustments will be made retroactively with respect to fees accrued or payments made by or on behalf of the Borrowers while that Lender was a Defaulting Lender; and <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that except to the extent otherwise expressly agreed by the affected parties, no change hereunder from Defaulting Lender to Lender will constitute a waiver or release of any claim of any party hereunder arising from that Lender having been a Defaulting Lender.

ARTICLE III

TAXES, YIELD PROTECTION AND ILLEGALITY

3.01 Taxes.

(a) Payments Free of Taxes; Obligation to Withhold; Payments on Account of Taxes.

(i) Any and all payments by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document shall be made without deduction or withholding for any Taxes, except as required by applicable Laws. If any applicable Laws (as determined in the good faith discretion of the Administrative Agent) require the deduction or withholding of any Tax from any such payment by the Administrative Agent or a Loan Party, then the Administrative Agent or such Loan Party shall be entitled to make such deduction or withholding, upon the basis of the information and documentation to be delivered pursuant to <u>subsection (e)</u> below.

(ii) If any Loan Party or the Administrative Agent shall be required by the Internal Revenue Code to withhold or deduct any Taxes, including both United States Federal backup withholding and withholding taxes, from any payment, then (A) the Administrative Agent shall

withhold or make such deductions as are determined by the Administrative Agent to be required based upon the information and documentation it has received pursuant to <u>subsection (e)</u> below, (B) the Administrative Agent shall timely pay the full amount withheld or deducted to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code, and (C) to the extent that the withholding or deduction is made on account of Indemnified Taxes, the sum payable by the applicable Loan Party shall be increased as necessary so that after any required withholding or the making of all required deductions (including deductions applicable to additional sums payable under this <u>Section 3.01</u>) the applicable Recipient receives an amount equal to the sum it would have received had no such withholding or deduction been made.

(iii) If any Loan Party or the Administrative Agent shall be required by any applicable Laws other than the Internal Revenue Code to withhold or deduct any Taxes from any payment, then (A) such Loan Party or the Administrative Agent, as required by such Laws, shall withhold or make such deductions as are determined by it to be required based upon the information and documentation it has received pursuant to <u>subsection (e)</u> below, (B) such Loan Party or the Administrative Agent, to the extent required by such Laws, shall timely pay the full amount withheld or deducted to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with such Laws, and (C) to the extent that the withholding or deduction is made on account of Indemnified Taxes, the sum payable by the applicable Loan Party shall be increased as necessary so that after any required withholding or the making of all required deductions (including deductions applicable to additional sums payable under this <u>Section 3.01</u>) the applicable Recipient receives an amount equal to the sum it would have received had no such withholding or deduction been made.

(b) <u>Payment of Other Taxes by the Loan Parties</u>. Without limiting the provisions of subsection (a) above, the Loan Parties shall timely pay to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable Laws, or at the option of the Administrative Agent timely reimburse it for the payment of, any Other Taxes.

(c) <u>Tax Indemnifications</u>. (i) Each of the Loan Parties shall, and does hereby, jointly and severally indemnify each Recipient, and shall make payment in respect thereof within ten Business Days after written demand therefor, for the full amount of any Indemnified Taxes (including Indemnified Taxes imposed or asserted on or attributable to amounts payable under this <u>Section 3.01</u>) payable or paid by such Recipient or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to such Recipient, and any penalties, interest and reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Indemnified Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to the Company by a Lender or the L/C Issuer (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), or by the Administrative Agent on its own behalf or on behalf of a Lender or the L/C Issuer, shall be conclusive absent demonstrable error. Each of the Loan Parties shall, and does hereby, jointly and severally indemnify the Administrative Agent, and shall make payment in respect thereof within ten Business Days after demand therefor, for any amount which a Lender or the L/C Issuer for any reason fails to pay indefeasibly to the Administrative Agent as required pursuant to <u>Section 3.01(c)(ii)</u> below.

(ii) Each Lender and the L/C Issuer shall, and does hereby, severally indemnify, and shall make payment in respect thereof within 10 days after demand therefor, (x) the Administrative Agent against any Indemnified Taxes attributable to such Lender or the L/C Issuer (but only to the extent that any Loan Party has not already indemnified the Administrative Agent for such Indemnified Taxes and without limiting the obligation of the Loan Parties to do so), (y) the Administrative Agent and the Loan Parties, as applicable, against any Taxes attributable to such Lender's failure to comply with the provisions of <u>Section 11.06(d)</u> relating to the

maintenance of a Participant Register and (z) the Administrative Agent and the Loan Parties, as applicable, against any Excluded Taxes attributable to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, in each case, that are payable or paid by the Administrative Agent or a Loan Party in connection with any Loan Document, and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to any Lender by the Administrative Agent or any Loan Party shall be conclusive absent demonstrable error. Each Lender and the L/C Issuer hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to set off and apply any and all amounts at any time owing to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, under this Agreement or any other Loan Document against any amount due to the Administrative Agent under this <u>clause (ii)</u>.

(d) <u>Evidence of Payments</u>. Upon request by any Loan Party or the Administrative Agent, as the case may be, after any payment of Taxes by such Loan Party or by the Administrative Agent to a Governmental Authority as provided in this <u>Section 3.01</u>, such Loan Party shall deliver to the Administrative Agent or the Administrative Agent shall deliver to such Loan Party, as the case may be, the original or a certified copy of a receipt issued by such Governmental Authority evidencing such payment, a copy of any return required by Laws to report such payment or other evidence of such payment reasonably satisfactory to such Loan Party or the Administrative Agent, as the case may be.

(e) Status of Lenders; Tax Documentation.

(i) Any Lender and, to the extent the L/C Issuer is not also a Lender under this Agreement, the L/C Issuer that is entitled to an exemption from or reduction of withholding Tax with respect to payments made under any Loan Document shall deliver to the Company and the Administrative Agent, at the time or times reasonably requested by the Company or the Administrative Agent, such properly completed and executed documentation reasonably requested by the Company or the Administrative Agent as will permit such payments to be made without withholding or at a reduced rate of withholding. In addition, any Lender and, to the extent the L/C Issuer is not also a Lender under this Agreement, the L/C Issuer, if reasonably requested by the Company or the Administrative Agent as well permits us payments to be applicable law or reasonably requested by the Company or the Administrative Agent to determine whether or not such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as applicable, is subject to backup withholding or information reporting requirements. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding two sentences, the completion, execution and submission of such documentation (other than such documentation set forth in Section 3.01(e)(ii)(A), 3.01(e)(ii)(B) and 3.01(e)(ii)(D) below) shall not be required if in the Lender's or the L/C Issuer's reasonable judgment such completion, execution or submission would subject such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as applicable, to any material unreimbursed cost or expense or would materially prejudice the legal or commercial position of such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as applicable.

(ii) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, in the event that a Borrower is a U.S. Person,

(A) any Lender and, to the extent the L/C Issuer is not also a Lender under this Agreement, the L/C Issuer that is a U.S. Person shall deliver to such Borrower and the Administrative Agent on or prior to the date on which such Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of such Borrower or the Administrative Agent), duly completed and executed originals of IRS Form W-9 certifying that such Lender is exempt from U.S. federal backup withholding tax;

(B) any Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally entitled to do so, deliver to such Borrower and the Administrative Agent (in such number of copies as shall be requested by the recipient) on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of such Borrower or the Administrative Agent), whichever of the following is applicable:

(1) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of an income tax treaty to which the United States is a party (x) with respect to payments of interest under any Loan Document, duly completed and executed originals of IRS Form W-8BEN establishing an exemption from, or reduction of, U.S. federal withholding Tax pursuant to the "interest" article of such tax treaty and (y) with respect to any other applicable payments under any Loan Document, duly completed and executed originals of IRS Form W-8BEN establishing an exemption from, or reduction of, U.S. federal withholding Tax pursuant to the "business profits" or "other income" article of such tax treaty;

(2) executed originals of IRS Form W-8ECI;

(3) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of the exemption for portfolio interest under Section 881(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, (x) a certificate substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit 3.01-A</u> to the effect that such Foreign Lender is not a "bank" within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, a "10 percent shareholder" of such Borrower within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, or a "controlled foreign corporation" described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code (a "U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate") and (y) duly completed and executed originals of IRS Form W-8BEN; or

(4) to the extent a Foreign Lender is not the beneficial owner, duly completed and executed originals of IRS Form W-8IMY, accompanied by IRS Form W-8ECI, IRS Form W-8BEN, a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit 3.01-B</u> or <u>Exhibit 3.01-C</u>, IRS Form W-9, and/or other certification documents from each beneficial owner, as applicable; provided that if the Foreign Lender is a partnership and one or more direct or indirect partners of such Foreign Lender are claiming the portfolio interest exemption, such Foreign Lender may provide a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit 3.01-D</u> on behalf of each such direct and indirect partner;

(C) any Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally entitled to do so, deliver to such Borrower and the Administrative Agent (in such number of copies as shall be requested by the recipient) on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of such Borrower or the Administrative Agent), executed originals of any other form prescribed by applicable law as a basis for claiming exemption from or a reduction in U.S. federal withholding Tax, duly completed, together with such supplementary documentation as may be prescribed by applicable law to permit such Borrower or the Administrative Agent to determine the withholding or deduction required to be made; and

(D) if a payment made to a Lender or the L/C Issuer under any Loan Document would be subject to U.S. federal withholding Tax imposed by FATCA if such Lender or the L/C Issuer were to fail to comply with the applicable reporting requirements of FATCA (including those contained in Section 1471(b) or 1472(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, as applicable), such Lender and, to the extent the L/C Issuer is not also a Lender under this Agreement, the L/C Issuer shall deliver to such Borrower and the Administrative Agent at the time or times prescribed by law and at such time or times reasonably requested by such Borrower or the Administrative Agent such documentation prescribed by applicable law (including as prescribed by Section 1471(b)(3)(C)(i) of the Internal Revenue Code) and such additional documentation reasonably requested by such Borrower or the Administrative Agent to comply with their obligations under FATCA and to determine that such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as applicable, has complied with such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's, as applicable, obligations under FATCA or to determine the amount to deduct and withhold from such payment. Solely for purposes of this clause (D), "FATCA" shall include any amendments made to FATCA after the Closing Date.

(iii) Each Lender and, to the extent the L/C Issuer is not also a Lender under this Agreement, the L/C Issuer agrees that if any form or certification it previously delivered pursuant to this <u>Section 3.01</u> expires or becomes obsolete or inaccurate in any respect, it shall update such form or certification or promptly notify the Company and the Administrative Agent in writing of its legal inability to do so.

(f) Treatment of Certain Refunds. Unless required by applicable Laws, at no time shall the Administrative Agent have any obligation to file for or otherwise pursue on behalf of a Lender or the L/C Issuer, or have any obligation to pay to any Lender or the L/C Issuer, any refund of Taxes withheld or deducted from funds paid for the account of such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be. If any Recipient determines, in its sole discretion exercised in good faith, that it has received a refund of any Taxes or Other Taxes as to which it has been indemnified by any Loan Party or with respect to which any Loan Party has paid additional amounts pursuant to this <u>Section 3.01</u>, it shall pay to the Loan Party an amount equal to such refund (but only to the extent of indemnity payments made, or additional amounts paid, by a Loan Party under this <u>Section 3.01</u> with respect to the Taxes or Other Taxes giving rise to such refund), net of all out-of-pocket expenses (including Taxes) incurred by such Recipient, and without interest (other than any interest paid by the relevant Governmental Authority with respect to such refund), provided that the Loan Party, upon the request of the Recipient, agrees to repay the amount paid over to the Loan Party (plus any penalties, interest or other charges imposed by the relevant Governmental Authority) to the Recipient in the event the Recipient is required to repay such refund to such Governmental Authority. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this subsection, in no event will the applicable Recipient be required to pay any amount to the Loan Party pursuant to this subsection to the extent that the payment of such amounts giving rise to such refund had never been paid. This subsection shall not be construed to require any Recipient to make available its tax returns (or any other information relating to its taxes that it deems confidential) to any Loan Party or any other Person.

(g) <u>Survival</u>. Each party's obligations under this <u>Section 3.01</u> shall survive the resignation or replacement of the Administrative Agent or any assignment of rights by, or the replacement of, a Lender or the L/C Issuer, the termination of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all other Obligations.

3.02 <u>Illegality</u>.

If any Lender determines that any Law has made it unlawful, or that any Governmental Authority has asserted that it is unlawful, for any Lender or its applicable Lending Office to make, maintain or fund Loans whose interest rate is determined by reference to the Eurocurrency Base Rate (whether denominated in Dollars or an Alternative Currency), or to determine or charge interest rates based upon the Eurocurrency Base Rate, or any Governmental Authority has imposed material restrictions on the authority of such Lender to purchase or sell, or to take deposits of, Dollars or any Alternative Currency in the applicable interbank market, then, on notice thereof by such Lender to the Company through the Administrative Agent, (i) any obligation of such Lender to make or continue Eurocurrency Rate Loans in the affected currency or currencies or, in the case of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Dollars, to convert Base Rate Loans to Eurocurrency Rate Loans shall be suspended and (ii) if such notice asserts the illegality of such Lender making or maintaining Base Rate Loans the interest rate on which is determined by reference to the Eurocurrency Base Rate component of the Base Rate, the interest rate on which Base Rate Loans of such Lender, shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by the Administrative Agent without reference to the Eurocurrency Base Rate component of the Base Rate, in each case until such Lender notifies the Administrative Agent and the Company that the circumstances giving rise to such determination no longer exist (and each Lender hereby agrees to provide such notice when such circumstances no longer exist). Upon receipt of such notice by the Company, (x) the Borrowers shall, upon demand from such Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), prepay or, if applicable and such Loans are denominated in Dollars, convert all Eurocurrency Rate Loans of such Lender to Base Rate Loans (the interest rate on which Base Rate Loans of such Lender shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by the Administrative Agent without reference to the Eurocurrency Base Rate component of the Base Rate), either on the last day of the Interest Period therefor, if such Lender may lawfully continue to maintain such Eurocurrency Rate Loans to such day, or immediately, if such Lender may not lawfully continue to maintain such Eurocurrency Rate Loans and (y) if such notice asserts the illegality of such Lender determining or charging interest rates based upon the Eurocurrency Base Rate, the Administrative Agent shall during the period of such suspension compute the Base Rate applicable to such Lender without reference to the Eurocurrency Base Rate component thereof until the Administrative Agent is advised in writing by such Lender that it is no longer illegal for such Lender to determine or charge interest rates based upon the Eurocurrency Base Rate (and each Lender hereby agrees to provide notice to the Administrative Agent and the Company when such illegality ceases to exist). Upon any such prepayment or conversion, the Borrowers shall also pay accrued interest on the amount so prepaid or converted.

3.03 Inability to Determine Rates.

If the Required Lenders determine that for any reason in connection with any request for a Eurocurrency Rate Loan or a conversion to or continuation thereof that (i) deposits (whether in Dollars or an Alternative Currency) are not being offered to banks in the applicable offshore interbank market for such currency for the applicable amount and Interest Period of such Eurocurrency Rate Loan, (ii) adequate and reasonable means do not exist for determining the Eurocurrency Base Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurocurrency Rate Loan (whether denominated in Dollars or an Alternative Currency) or in connection with an existing or proposed Base Rate Loan, or (iii) that the Eurocurrency Base Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurocurrency Base Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurocurrency Base Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurocurrency Base Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurocurrency Base Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurocurrency Base Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurocurrency Base Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurocurrency Rate Loan does not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to the Lenders of funding such Loan, the Administrative Agent will promptly notify the Company and all Lenders. Thereafter, (x) the obligation of the Lenders to make or maintain Eurocurrency Rate Loans in the affected currency or

currencies shall be suspended and (y) in the event of a determination described in the preceding sentence with respect to the Eurocurrency Base Rate component of the Base Rate, the utilization of the Eurocurrency Base Rate component in determining the Base Rate shall be suspended, in each case until the Administrative Agent (upon the instruction of the Required Lenders, who hereby agree to revoke such notice when the applicable circumstances no longer exist) revokes such notice. Upon receipt of such notice, any Borrower may revoke any pending request for a Borrowing, conversion or continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans in the affected currency or currencies or, failing that, will be deemed to have converted such request into a request for a Borrowing of Base Rate Loans in the amount specified therein.

3.04 Increased Cost and Reduced Return; Capital Adequacy.

(a) Increased Costs Generally. If any Change in Law shall:

(i) impose, modify or deem applicable any reserve, special deposit, compulsory loan, insurance charge or similar requirement against assets of, deposits with or for the account of, or credit extended or participated in by, any Lender (except (A) any reserve requirement reflected in the Eurocurrency Rate and (B) the requirements of the Bank of England and the Financial Services Authority or the European Central Bank reflected in the Mandatory Cost, other than as set forth below) or the L/C Issuer;

(ii) subject any Recipient to any Taxes (other than (A) Indemnified Taxes, (B) Taxes described in clauses (b) through (d) of the definition of Excluded Taxes and (C) Connection Income Taxes) on its loans, loan principal, letters of credit, commitments, or other obligations, or its deposits, reserves, other liabilities or capital attributable thereto;

(iii) result in the failure of the Mandatory Cost, as calculated hereunder, to represent the cost to any Lender of complying with the requirements of the Bank of England and/or the Financial Services Authority or the European Central Bank in relation to its making, funding or maintaining Eurocurrency Rate Loans; or

(iv) impose on any Lender or the L/C Issuer or the London interbank market any other condition, cost or expense affecting this Agreement or Eurocurrency Rate Loans made by such Lender or any Letter of Credit or participation therein;

and the result of any of the foregoing shall be to increase the cost to such Lender of making, converting to, continuing or maintaining any Loan the interest on which is determined by reference to the Eurocurrency Base Rate (or of maintaining its obligation to make any such Loan), or to increase the cost to such Lender or the L/C Issuer of participating in, issuing or maintaining any Letter of Credit (or of maintaining its obligation to participate in or to issue any Letter of Credit), or to reduce the amount of any sum received or receivable by such Lender or the L/C Issuer hereunder (whether of principal, interest or any other amount) then, within ten days after receipt of the request of such Lender or the L/C Issuer (accompanied by a certificate as contemplated by <u>Section 3.06(a)</u>), the Borrowers will pay to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, for such additional costs incurred or reduction suffered.

(b) <u>Capital Requirements</u>. If any Lender or the L/C Issuer determines that any Change in Law affecting such Lender or the L/C Issuer or any Lending Office of such Lender or such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company, if any, regarding capital or liquidity requirements has or would have the effect of reducing the rate of return on such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's capital or on the capital of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company, if any, regarding capital or liquidity requirements has or would have the effect of reducing the rate of return on such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's capital or on the capital of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company, if any, as a consequence of this Agreement, the Commitments of such Lender or the Loans made by, or participations in Letters of Credit or Swing Line

Loans held by, such Lender, or the Letters of Credit issued by the L/C Issuer, to a level below that which such Lender or the L/C Issuer or such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company could have achieved but for such Change in Law (taking into consideration such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's policies and the policies of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company with respect to capital adequacy), then from time to time the Borrowers will pay to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, within ten days after receipt of the request of such Lender or the L/C Issuer (accompanied by a certificate as contemplated by Section 3.06(a)), such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or the L/C Issuer or such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company for any such reduction suffered.

(c) Failure or delay on the part of any Lender or the L/C Issuer to demand compensation pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section shall not constitute a waiver of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's right to demand such compensation, <u>provided</u> that the Borrowers shall not be required to compensate a Lender or the L/C Issuer pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section for any increased costs incurred or reductions suffered more than 120 days prior to the date that such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, demands compensation pursuant to this <u>Section 3.04</u> in respect of the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions is retroactive, then the 120 day period referred to above shall be extended to include the period of retroactive effect thereof).

3.05 Compensation for Losses.

Upon written demand of any Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent) from time to time, the Borrowers shall promptly compensate such Lender for and hold such Lender harmless from any loss, cost or expense incurred by it as a result of:

(a) any continuation, conversion, payment or prepayment of any Loan other than a Base Rate Loan on a day other than the last day of the Interest Period for such Loan (whether voluntary, mandatory, automatic, by reason of acceleration, or otherwise);

(b) any failure by a Borrower (for a reason other than the failure of such Lender to make a Loan) to prepay, borrow, continue or convert any Loan other than a Base Rate Loan on the date or in the amount notified by such Borrower;

(c) any failure by a Borrower to make payment of any Loan or drawing under any Letter of Credit (or interest due thereon) denominated in an Alternative Currency on its scheduled due date or any payment thereof in a different currency; or

(d) any assignment of a Eurocurrency Rate Loan on a day other than the last day of the Interest Period therefor as a result of a request by the Company pursuant to <u>Section 11.14</u>;

including any loss of anticipated profits, any foreign exchange losses and any loss or expense arising from the liquidation or reemployment of funds obtained by it to maintain such Loan, from fees payable to terminate the deposits from which such funds were obtained or from the performance of any foreign exchange contract. The Borrowers shall also pay any customary administrative fees charged by such Lender in connection with the foregoing.

For purposes of calculating amounts payable by the Borrowers to the Lenders under this <u>Section 3.05</u>, each Lender shall be deemed to have funded each Eurocurrency Rate Loan made by it at the Eurocurrency Base Rate used in determining the Eurocurrency Rate for such Loan by a matching deposit or other borrowing in the offshore interbank market for such currency for a comparable amount and for a comparable period, whether or not such Eurocurrency Rate Loan was in fact so funded.

3.06 Matters Applicable to all Requests for Compensation.

(a) A certificate of the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer claiming compensation under this <u>Article III</u> and setting forth, in reasonable detail, the basis of any loss, cost or expense and the additional amount or amounts to be paid to it hereunder shall be conclusive in the absence of demonstrable error. In determining such amount, the Administrative Agent, such Lender or the L/C Issuer may use reasonable averaging and attribution methods. Any claim for compensation under this <u>Article III</u> must be accompanied by such certificate.

(b) If any Lender or the L/C Issuer requests compensation under <u>Section 3.04</u>, or any Borrower is required to pay any Indemnified Taxes or additional amounts to any Lender, the L/C Issuer, or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender or the L/C Issuer pursuant to <u>Section 3.01</u>, or if any Lender gives a notice pursuant to <u>Section 3.02</u>, then at the request of the Company such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as applicable, shall use reasonable efforts to designate a different Lending Office for funding or booking its Loans hereunder or to assign its rights and obligations hereunder to another of its offices, branches or affiliates, if, in the judgment of such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as applicable, such designation or assignment (i) would eliminate or reduce amounts payable pursuant to <u>Section 3.01</u> or <u>3.04</u>, as the case may be, in the future, or eliminate the need for the notice pursuant to <u>Section 3.02</u>, as applicable, and (ii) in each case, would not subject such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, to any unreimbursed cost or expense and would not otherwise be disadvantageous to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be. The Borrowers hereby agree to pay all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by any Lender or the L/C Issuer in connection with any such designation or assignment.

(c) Upon any Lender's making a claim for compensation under <u>Section 3.01</u> or <u>3.04</u>, or giving a notice pursuant to <u>Section 3.02</u>, the Company may replace such Lender in accordance with <u>Section 11.14</u>.

3.07 Survival.

All of the Loan Parties' obligations under this <u>Article III</u> shall survive termination of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments and repayment of all other Obligations hereunder and resignation of the Administrative Agent.

ARTICLE IV

GUARANTY

4.01 The Guaranty.

Each of the Guarantors hereby jointly and severally guarantees to each Lender, each Affiliate of a Lender that enters into a Hedging Agreement or a Treasury Management Agreement with a Loan Party, and the Administrative Agent and each of the holders of the Obligations as hereinafter provided, as primary obligor and not as surety, the prompt payment of the Obligations in full when due (whether at stated maturity, as a mandatory prepayment, by acceleration, as a mandatory cash collateralization or otherwise) strictly in accordance with the terms thereof. The Guarantors hereby further agree that if any of the Obligations are not paid in full when due (whether at stated maturity, as a mandatory prepayment, by acceleration, as a mandatory cash collateralization or otherwise), the Guarantors will, jointly and severally, promptly pay the same, without any demand or notice whatsoever, and that in the case of any extension of time of payment or renewal of any of the Obligations, the same will be promptly paid in full when due (whether at extended maturity, as a mandatory prepayment, by acceleration, as a mandatory cash collateralization or otherwise) in accordance with the terms of such extension or renewal.

Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained herein or in any other of the Loan Documents, Hedging Agreements or Treasury Management Agreements, the obligations of each Guarantor (in its capacity as such) under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall be limited to an aggregate amount equal to the largest amount that would not render such obligations subject to avoidance under applicable Debtor Relief Laws or any comparable provisions of any applicable Law.

4.02 Obligations Unconditional.

The obligations of the Guarantors under <u>Section 4.01</u> are joint and several, absolute and unconditional, irrespective of the value, genuineness, validity, regularity or enforceability of any of the Loan Documents, Hedging Agreements or Treasury Management Agreements, or any other agreement or instrument referred to therein, or any substitution, release, impairment or exchange of any other guarantee of or security for any of the Obligations, and, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, irrespective of any other circumstance whatsoever which might otherwise constitute a legal or equitable discharge or defense of a surety or guarantor, it being the intent of this <u>Section 4.02</u> that the obligations of the Guarantors hereunder shall be absolute and unconditional under any and all circumstances. Each Guarantor agrees that such Guarantor shall have no right of subrogation, indemnity, reimbursement or contribution against the Borrowers or any other Guarantor for amounts paid under this <u>Article IV</u> until such time as the Obligations (other than contingent obligations that survive termination of this Agreement) have been paid in full and the Commitments have expired or terminated. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, it is agreed that, to the fullest extent permitted by Law, the occurrence of any one or more of the following shall not alter or impair the liability of any Guarantor hereunder, which shall remain absolute and unconditional as described above:

(a) at any time or from time to time, without notice to any Guarantor, the time for any performance of or compliance with any of the Obligations shall be extended, or such performance or compliance shall be waived;

(b) any of the acts mentioned in any of the provisions of any of the Loan Documents, any Hedging Agreement or Treasury Management Agreement between any Loan Party and any Lender, or any Affiliate of a Lender, or any other agreement or instrument referred to in the Loan Documents, such Hedging Agreements or such Treasury Management Agreements shall be done or omitted;

(c) the maturity of any of the Obligations shall be accelerated, or any of the Obligations shall be modified, supplemented or amended in any respect, or any right under any of the Loan Documents, any Hedging Agreement or Treasury Management Agreement between any Loan Party and any Lender, or any Affiliate of a Lender, or any other agreement or instrument referred to in the Loan Documents, such Hedging Agreements or such Treasury Management Agreements shall be waived or any other guarantee of any of the Obligations or any security therefor shall be released, impaired or exchanged in whole or in part or otherwise dealt with (except to the extent such Guarantor has been expressly released in writing from its obligations under this Guaranty by the requisite Lenders in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement);

(d) any Lien granted to, or in favor of, the Administrative Agent or any holder of Obligations as security for any of the Obligations shall fail to attach or be perfected; or

(e) any of the Obligations shall be determined to be void or voidable (including, without limitation, for the benefit of any creditor of any Guarantor) or shall be subordinated to the claims of any Person (including, without limitation, any creditor of any Guarantor).

With respect to its obligations hereunder, each Guarantor hereby expressly waives diligence, presentment, demand of payment, protest and all notices whatsoever (other than any notice any Guarantor has the express right to receive under any Loan Document), and any requirement that the Administrative Agent or any holder of the Obligations exhaust any right, power or remedy or proceed against any Person under any of the Loan Documents, any Hedging Agreement or any Treasury Management Agreement between any Loan Party and any Lender, or any Affiliate of a Lender, or any other agreement or instrument referred to in the Loan Documents, such Hedging Agreements or such Treasury Management Agreements, or against any other Person under any other guarantee of, or security for, any of the Obligations.

4.03 Reinstatement.

The obligations of the Guarantors under this <u>Article IV</u> shall be automatically reinstated if and to the extent that for any reason any payment by or on behalf of any Person in respect of the Obligations is rescinded or must be otherwise restored by any holder of any of the Obligations, whether as a result of any Debtor Relief Law or otherwise, and each Guarantor agrees that it will indemnify the Administrative Agent and each holder of the Obligations on demand for all reasonable costs and expenses (including, without limitation, the reasonable and documented fees, charges and disbursements of counsel) incurred by the Administrative Agent or such holder of the Obligations in connection with such rescission or restoration, including any such costs and expenses incurred in defending against any claim alleging that such payment constituted a preference, fraudulent transfer or similar payment under any Debtor Relief Law.

4.04 Certain Additional Waivers.

Each Guarantor agrees that such Guarantor shall have no right of recourse to security for the Obligations, except through the exercise of rights of subrogation pursuant to <u>Section 4.02</u> and through the exercise of rights of contribution pursuant to <u>Section 4.06</u>.

4.05 Remedies.

The Guarantors agree that, to the fullest extent permitted by Law, as between the Guarantors, on the one hand, and the holders of the Obligations, on the other hand, the Obligations may be declared to be forthwith due and payable as provided in <u>Section 9.02</u> (and shall be deemed to have become automatically due and payable in the circumstances provided in said <u>Section 9.02</u>) for purposes of <u>Section 4.01</u> notwithstanding any stay, injunction or other prohibition preventing such declaration (or preventing the Obligations from becoming automatically due and payable) as against any other Person and that, in the event of such declaration (or the Obligations being deemed to have become automatically due and payable), the Obligations (whether or not due and payable by any other Person) shall forthwith become due and payable by the Guarantors for purposes of <u>Section 4.01</u>.

4.06 Rights of Contribution.

The Guarantors agree among themselves that, in connection with payments made hereunder, each Guarantor shall have contribution rights against the other Guarantors as permitted under applicable Law. Such contribution rights shall be subordinate and subject in right of payment to the obligations of such Guarantors under the Loan Documents and no Guarantor shall exercise such rights of contribution until all Obligations (other than contingent obligations that survive the termination of this Agreement) have been paid in full and the Commitments have terminated.

4.07 Guarantee of Payment; Continuing Guarantee.

(a) The guarantee in this <u>Article IV</u> is a guaranty of payment and not of collection, is a continuing guarantee, and shall apply to all Obligations whenever arising.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, a Guarantor shall automatically be released from its obligations hereunder and its Guaranty shall be automatically released upon the consummation of any transaction permitted hereunder as a result of which such Guarantor ceases to be a Subsidiary. In connection with any such release, the Administrative Agent shall execute and deliver to any such Guarantor, at such Guarantor's expense, all documents that such Guarantor shall reasonably request to evidence termination or release.

ARTICLE V

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO CREDIT EXTENSIONS

5.01 Conditions of Initial Credit Extension.

The obligation of each Lender to make its initial Credit Extension hereunder is subject to satisfaction of the following conditions precedent:

(a) <u>Loan Documents</u>. Receipt by the Administrative Agent of executed counterparts of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, each properly executed by a Responsible Officer of the signing Loan Party and, in the case of this Agreement, by each Lender.

(b) <u>Opinions of Counsel</u>. Receipt by the Administrative Agent of favorable opinions of legal counsel to the Loan Parties, addressed to the Administrative Agent and each Lender, dated as of the Closing Date, and in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

(c) <u>No Material Adverse Change</u>. There shall not have occurred a material adverse change since July 31, 2011 in the business, assets, liabilities (actual or contingent), operations or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole (excluding that certain item disclosed in writing to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders prior to the date of this Agreement for purposes of this exclusion).

(d) <u>Litigation</u>. There shall not exist any action, suit, investigation or proceeding pending or threatened in writing against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries in any court or before an arbitrator or Governmental Authority that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(e) <u>Organization Documents, Resolutions, Etc.</u> Receipt by the Administrative Agent of the following, each of which shall be originals or .pdf or facsimiles (in each case, followed promptly by originals), in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and its legal counsel:

(i) copies of the Organization Documents of each Loan Party certified to be true and complete as of a recent date by the appropriate Governmental Authority of the state or other jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization, where applicable, and certified by a secretary or assistant secretary of such Loan Party to be true and correct as of the Closing Date;

(ii) copies of the consolidated articles of association of each Luxembourg Loan Party, certified to be true and complete as of a recent date by a manager or director (where applicable) of such Luxembourg Loan Party;

(iii) such certificates of resolutions or other action, incumbency certificates and/or other certificates of Responsible Officers, or the equivalent with respect to any non-U.S. jurisdiction (including, with respect to a Luxembourg Loan Party, a true and complete copy of an extract from the Luxembourg Companies Register, and a true and complete copy of a certificate of non-registration of judgments, issued by the Luxembourg Companies Register on the date of this agreement and reflecting the situation of one day prior to the date of this agreement, stating that such Luxembourg Loan Party incorporated in Luxembourg has not been declared bankrupt (*en faillite*) and that it has not applied for general settlement or composition with creditors (*concordat préventif de faillite*), controlled management (*gestion contrôlée*) or reprieve from payment (*sursis de paiement*) or such other proceedings listed at Article 13, items 2 to 11 and Article 14 of the Luxembourg Act dated 19 December 2002 on the Register of Commerce and Companies, on Accounting and on Annual Accounts of the Companies (as amended from time to time)), of each Loan Party as the Administrative Agent may require evidencing the identity, authority and capacity of each Responsible Officer thereof authorized to act as a Responsible Officer in connection with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which such Loan Party is a party and the approval by the board of managers of a Luxembourg Loan Party for such Luxembourg Loan Party to enter into this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which it is a party; and

(iv) such documents and certifications as the Administrative Agent may reasonably require to evidence that each Loan Party is duly organized or formed, and is validly existing, in good standing (or similar status) and qualified to engage in business in its state of organization or formation.

(f) <u>Closing Certificate</u>. Receipt by the Administrative Agent of a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company certifying that the conditions specified in <u>Sections 5.01(c)</u> and (d) and <u>Sections 5.02(a)</u> and (b) have been satisfied.

(g) <u>Termination of Existing Credit Agreement</u>. Receipt by the Administrative Agent of evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent that all obligations (other than contingent obligations surviving the termination of the Existing Credit Agreement) owing under the Existing Credit Agreement have been repaid in full, all commitments thereunder have been terminated and all Liens (if any) in connection therewith have been released.

(h) Fees. Receipt by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders of any fees required to be paid on or before the Closing Date.

(i) <u>Attorney Costs</u>. Unless waived by the Administrative Agent, the Company shall have paid all the reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of counsel of the Administrative Agent to the extent invoices have been received at least one Business Day in advance prior to the Closing Date, plus such additional amounts of such fees, charges and disbursements of such counsel as shall constitute its reasonable estimate of such fees, charges and disbursements of such closing proceedings (provided that such estimate shall not thereafter preclude a final settling of accounts between the Company and the Administrative Agent).

Without limiting the generality of the provisions of <u>Section 10.04</u>, for purposes of determining compliance with the conditions specified in this <u>Section 5.01</u>, each Lender that has signed this Agreement shall be deemed to have consented to, approved or accepted or to be satisfied with, each document or other matter required thereunder to be consented to or approved by or acceptable or satisfactory to a Lender unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from such Lender prior to the proposed Closing Date specifying its objection thereto.

5.02 Conditions to all Credit Extensions.

The obligation of each Lender to honor any Request for Credit Extension is subject to the following conditions precedent:

(a) The representations and warranties of the Loan Parties contained in <u>Article VI</u> (excluding the representation and warranty contained in <u>Section 6.05</u>) or any other Loan Document, or which are contained in any document furnished at any time under or in connection herewith or therewith, shall be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date of such Credit Extension, except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date.

(b) No Default shall exist, or would result from such proposed Credit Extension.

(c) The Administrative Agent and, if applicable, the L/C Issuer or the Swing Line Lender shall have received a Request for Credit Extension in accordance with the requirements hereof.

(d) If the applicable Borrower is a Designated Borrower, such Borrower shall have been designated as a Designated Borrower pursuant to <u>Section 2.14</u>.

(e) In the case of a Credit Extension to be denominated in an Alternative Currency, there shall not have occurred any change in national or international financial, political or economic conditions or currency exchange rates or exchange controls which in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent, the Required Lenders (in the case of any Loans to be denominated in an Alternative Currency) or the L/C Issuer (in the case of any Letter of Credit to be denominated in an Alternative Currency) would make it impracticable for such Credit Extension to be denominated in the relevant Alternative Currency.

Each Request for Credit Extension submitted by a Borrower shall be deemed to be a representation and warranty that the conditions specified in <u>Sections</u> <u>5.02(a)</u> and (b) have been satisfied on and as of the date of the applicable Credit Extension.

ARTICLE VI

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

To induce the Administrative Agent and the Lenders to enter into this Agreement and to induce the Lenders to make Loans and issue or participate in Letters of Credit hereunder, the Loan Parties represent and warrant to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that:

6.01 Organization, etc.

The Company is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing (or equivalent status) under the Laws of the State of Wisconsin; each Designated Borrower and Significant Subsidiary is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing (or equivalent status) under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its organization; and the Company, each Designated Borrower and each Significant Subsidiary is duly qualified to do business in each jurisdiction where the nature of its business makes such qualification necessary (except to the extent the failure to be so qualified or in good standing could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect) and has full power and authority to own its property and conduct its business as presently conducted by it (except to the extent the failure to have such authority could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect).

6.02 Authorization; No Conflict.

The execution, delivery and performance by each Loan Party of each Loan Document to which it is a party and the Credit Extensions hereunder are within the organizational powers of the Company and each Loan Party, have been duly authorized by all necessary organizational action on the part of such Loan Party (including any necessary shareholder, partner or member action), have received all necessary governmental and other third-party approvals (if any shall be required), and do not and will not (a) violate any provision of Law or any order, decree or judgment of any court or other Governmental Authority which is binding on the Company or any other Loan Party, (b) contravene or conflict with, or result in a breach of, any provision of the Organization Documents of the Company or any other Loan Party or (c) contravene or conflict with, or result in a Lien under, any material agreement, indenture, instrument or other document which is binding on the Company or any other Loan Party.

6.03 Validity and Binding Nature.

Each Loan Document to which a Loan Party is a party is the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Loan Party, enforceable against such Loan Party in accordance with its terms, subject to Debtor Relief Laws and to general principles of equity.

6.04 Financial Condition.

The Audited Financial Statements were prepared in accordance with GAAP and present fairly the consolidated financial condition of the Company and its Subsidiaries as at such date and the results of their operations for the period then ended.

6.05 No Material Adverse Change.

Since July 31, 2011, there has been no material adverse change in the financial condition, operations, assets, business or properties of the Company and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole (excluding that certain item disclosed in writing to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders prior to the date of this Agreement for purposes of this exclusion).

6.06 Litigation.

No litigation (including derivative actions), arbitration proceeding, labor controversy or governmental investigation or proceeding is pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened in writing against the Company or any Subsidiary which could reasonably be expected to (a) have a Material Adverse Effect; (b) materially and adversely affect the ability of the Borrowers or any Guarantor to perform its obligations under the Loan Documents; or (c) materially and adversely affect the rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent or the Lenders under the Loan Documents.

6.07 Ownership of Properties.

Each of the Company and each Significant Subsidiary owns good and, in the case of real property, indefeasible title to all of its properties and assets, real and personal, tangible and intangible, of any nature whatsoever (including patents, trademarks, trade names, service marks and copyrights), except for such defects in title or interest that could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

6.08 Subsidiaries.

As of the Closing Date, the Company has no Subsidiaries except those listed in Schedule 6.08.

6.09 Pension Plans and Plan Assets.

(a) During the twelve-consecutive-month period prior to the Closing Date or the making of any Credit Extension hereunder, (i) no steps have been taken to terminate any Pension Plan other than a "standard termination" in accordance with Section 4041(b) of ERISA and (ii) no contribution failure has occurred with respect to any Pension Plan sufficient to give rise to a Lien under Section 303(k) of ERISA. No condition exists or event or transaction has occurred with respect to any Pension Plan which could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) All contributions (if any) have been made to any Multiemployer Pension Plan that are required to be made by the Company or any other member of the Controlled Group under the terms of the plan or of any collective bargaining agreement or by applicable Law; neither the Company nor any member of the Controlled Group has withdrawn or partially withdrawn from any Multiemployer Pension Plan, incurred any material withdrawal liability with respect to any such plan or received notice of any claim or demand for material withdrawal liability or partial withdrawal liability from any such plan; and neither the Company nor any member of the Controlled Group has received any notice that any Multiemployer Pension Plan is in reorganization, that increased contributions may be required to avoid a reduction in plan benefits or the imposition of any excise tax, that any such plan is or has been funded at a rate less than that required under Section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code, that any such plan is or may be involuntarily terminated, or that any such plan is or may become insolvent; except, in each case under this <u>clause (b)</u>, to the extent that the facts and circumstances causing such representation and warranty to be inaccurate could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) Neither the Company nor any other Loan Party is an entity deemed to hold Plan Assets.

6.10 Investment Company Act.

Neither the Company nor any Subsidiary is an "investment company" or a company "controlled" by an "investment company", within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940.

6.11 <u>Regulation U</u>.

No Borrower is engaged principally, or as one of its important activities, in the business of extending credit for the purpose of purchasing or carrying Margin Stock.

6.12 <u>Taxes</u>.

Each of the Company and each Significant Subsidiary has filed all federal tax returns and other material tax returns and tax reports required by Law to have been filed by it and has paid all taxes and governmental charges thereby shown to be owing, except any such taxes or charges which are being diligently contested in good faith by appropriate action and for which adequate reserves in accordance with GAAP shall have been set aside on its books.

6.13 Environmental Matters.

The Company conducts, in the ordinary course of business (in a manner sufficient to enable the Company to make the representation and warranty set forth in this <u>Section 6.13</u>), a review of the effect of existing Environmental Laws (excluding health, safety and land use matters) and existing Environmental Claims (excluding health, safety and land use matters) on its business, operation and properties, and as a result thereof, the Company has reasonably concluded that, except for matters for which adequate reserves are maintained, the aggregate effect of such Environmental Laws and Environmental Claims, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

6.14 Information.

All information heretofore or contemporaneously herewith furnished in writing by the Company or any Subsidiary to the Administrative Agent or any Lender for purposes of or in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby is, and all written information hereafter furnished by or on behalf of the Company or any Subsidiary to any Lender pursuant hereto or in connection herewith will be, true and accurate in every material respect on the date as of which such information is dated or certified, and none of such information is or will be incomplete by omitting to state any material fact necessary to make such information not misleading in light of the circumstances under which made (it being recognized by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that (a) any projections and forecasts provided by the Company are based on good faith estimates and assumptions believed by the Company to be reasonable as of the date of the applicable projections or assumptions and that actual results during the period or periods covered by any such projections and forecasts will likely differ from projected or forecasted results and (b) any information provided by the Company or any Subsidiary with respect to any Person or assets acquired or to be acquired by the Company or any Subsidiary shall, for all periods prior to the date of such Acquisition, be limited to the knowledge of the Company or the acquiring Subsidiary after reasonable inquiry).

6.15 No Default.

No Default has occurred and is continuing or would result from the consummation of any transaction contemplated by this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

6.16 Designated Borrower Joinder Agreement.

For as long as any Subsidiary shall be a Borrower, the representations and warranties of such Subsidiary in such Borrower's Designated Borrower Joinder Agreement are true and correct in all material respects as of the date such representations and warranties are made or deemed to be made.

ARTICLE VII

COVENANTS

Until the expiration or termination of the Commitments and thereafter until all Obligations of the Loan Parties hereunder and under the other Loan Documents (other than any contingent indemnification or similar obligations not yet due and payable) are paid in full and all Letters of Credit (other than any Letter of Credit that has been Cash Collateralized or with respect to which other arrangements satisfactory to the L/C Issuer have been made) have been terminated, the Loan Parties agree that, unless at any time the Required Lenders shall otherwise expressly consent in writing, they will:

7.01 Reports, Certificates and Other Information.

Furnish to the Administrative Agent:

(a) <u>Audit Report</u>. Promptly when available, and in any event not later than the earlier of (i) five Business Days after the filing thereof with the SEC and (ii) 105 days after the end of each Fiscal Year (commencing with the Fiscal Year ending on or about July 31, 2012), a copy of the audited consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries for such Fiscal Year together with audited consolidated statements of earnings and cash flows for such Fiscal Year, accompanied by (x) the report of Deloitte & Touche LLP or another nationally-recognized independent registered public accounting firm (the "<u>Independent Auditor</u>"), which report shall (A) state that such consolidated financial statements present fairly the financial position for the periods indicated in conformity with GAAP and (B) not be qualified or limited because of a restricted or limited examination by the Independent Auditor is a combined report (that is, one report containing an opinion on such consolidated financial statements, an opinion on internal controls over financial reporting and an opinion on management's assessment of internal controls over financial reporting due to the exclusion of any acquired business from the scope of management's assessment of internal controls over financial reporting to the extent such exclusion is permitted under provisions published by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, the SEC or another applicable Governmental Authority; and (y) a written statement from such accountants to the effect that in making the examination necessary for the signing of such annual audit report by such accountants, they have not become aware of any Default that has occurred and is continuing or, if they have become aware of any such event, describing it in reasonable detail.

(b) <u>Quarterly Reports</u>. Promptly when available, and in any event not later than (i) five Business Days after the filing thereof with the SEC and (ii) 45 days after the end of each Fiscal Quarter (except the last Fiscal Quarter of each Fiscal Year), consolidated balance sheets of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries as of the end of such Fiscal Quarter, together with a consolidated statement of earnings for such Fiscal Quarter and consolidated statements of earnings and cash flows for the period beginning with the first day of such Fiscal Year and ending on the last day of such Fiscal Quarter, certified by an Executive Officer as fairly presenting, in accordance with GAAP (subject to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes), the consolidated financial position and results of operations for the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries for such periods.

(c) <u>Compliance Certificates</u>. Contemporaneously with the furnishing of a copy of each annual audit report pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> and of each set of quarterly statements pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(b)</u>, a duly completed Compliance Certificate, with appropriate insertions, dated the date of such annual report or such quarterly statements and signed by an Executive Officer, containing a computation of each of the financial covenants set forth in <u>Section 7.06</u>, a computation of the Consolidated Net Leverage Ratio and to the effect that such officer has not become aware of any Default that has occurred and is continuing or, if there is any such event, describing it and the steps, if any, being taken to cure it.

(d) <u>Reports to SEC and to Shareholders</u>. Except as otherwise provided in <u>Sections 7.01(a)</u> and <u>7.01(b)</u>, within 15 days after the filing or sending thereof, copies of all reports on Form 10-K, 10-Q or 8-K (including any amendment thereto) of any Loan Party filed with the SEC (excluding exhibits thereto, provided that the Company shall promptly deliver any such exhibit to the Administrative Agent or any Lender upon request therefor); copies of all registration statements of any Loan Party filed with the SEC (other than on Form S-8); and copies of all proxy statements or other communications made generally to shareholders as a whole concerning material developments in the business of any Loan Party.

(e) <u>Notice of Default, Litigation and ERISA Matters</u>. Promptly upon any Executive Officer becoming aware of any of the following, written notice describing the same and the steps being taken by the Company or the Subsidiary affected thereby with respect thereto:

(i) the occurrence of a Default;

(ii) any litigation, arbitration or governmental investigation or proceeding not previously disclosed by the Company to the Lenders which has been instituted or, to the knowledge of the Company, is threatened in writing against the Company or any Subsidiary or to which any of the properties of any thereof is subject which could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;

(iii) the institution of any steps by any member of the Controlled Group or any other Person to terminate any Pension Plan other than a "standard termination" in accordance with Section 4041(b) of ERISA, or the failure of any member of the Controlled Group to make a required contribution to any Pension Plan (if such failure is sufficient to give rise to a lien under Section 303(k) of ERISA) or to any Multiemployer Pension Plan (in each case if such failure could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect), or the taking of any action with respect to a Pension Plan which could reasonably be expected to result in the requirement that the Company furnish a bond or other security to the PBGC or such Pension Plan, or the occurrence of any event with respect to any Pension Plan or Multiemployer Pension Plan which could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, or any notice that any Multiemployer Pension Plan is in reorganization, that material increased contributions may be required to avoid a reduction in plan benefits or the imposition of an excise tax, that any such plan is or has been funded at a rate less materially than that required under Section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code, that any such plan is or may be involuntarily terminated, or that any such plan is or may become insolvent;

(iv) any Loan Party becomes an entity deemed to hold Plan Assets; and

(v) any other event (including any violation of any Environmental Law or the assertion of any Environmental Claim) which could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(f) <u>Other Information</u>. From time to time such other information concerning the Company and its Subsidiaries (including material financial and management reports submitted to the Company by independent auditors in connection with each annual or interim audit made by such auditors of the books of the Company) as the Administrative Agent or any Lender through the Administrative Agent may reasonably request.

Documents required to be delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u>, 7.01(b) or 7.01(d). (to the extent any such documents are included in materials otherwise filed with the SEC) may be delivered electronically and, if so delivered, shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date (i) on which the Company posts such documents, or provides a link thereto, on the Company's website on the Internet at the website address listed on <u>Schedule 11.02</u> or publicly files such documents with the SEC; or (ii) on which such documents are posted on the Company's behalf on an Internet or intranet website, if any, to which each Lender and the Administrative Agent have access (whether a commercial, third-party website or whether sponsored by the Administrative Agent); provided that the Company shall notify (which may be by facsimile or electronic mail) the Administrative Agent (which shall notify each Lender) of the posting of any such document and, promptly upon request by the Administrative Agent, provide to the Administrative Agent by electronic mail an electronic version (i.e., a soft copy) of any such documents seferred to above, and in any event shall have no responsibility to monitor compliance by the Company with any such request for delivery, and each Lender shall be solely responsible for requesting delivery to it or maintaining its copies of such documents.

The Company hereby acknowledges that (a) the Administrative Agent and/or the Lead Arranger may, but shall not be obligated to, make available to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer materials and/or information provided by or on behalf of the Company hereunder (collectively, "Borrower Materials") by posting the Borrower Materials on Debt Domain, IntraLinks, Syndtrak or another similar electronic system (the "Platform") and (b) certain of the Lenders (each a "Public Lender") may have personnel who do not wish to receive material non-public information with respect to the Company or its Affiliates, or the respective securities of any of the foregoing, and who may be engaged in investment and other market-related activities with respect to such Persons' securities. The Company hereby agrees that (w) all Borrower Materials that are to be made available to Public Lenders shall be clearly and conspicuously marked "PUBLIC" which, at a minimum, shall mean that the word "PUBLIC" shall appear prominently on the first page thereof; (x) by marking Borrower Materials "PUBLIC," the Company shall be deemed to have authorized the Administrative Agent, the Lead Arranger, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders to treat such Borrower Materials as not containing any material non-public information with respect to the Company or its securities for purposes of United States federal and state securities laws (provided, however, that to the extent such Borrower Materials constitute Information, they shall be treated as set forth in <u>Section 11.07</u>); (y) all Borrower Materials marked "PUBLIC" are permitted to be made available through a portion of the Platform designated "PUBLIC" as being suitable only for posting on, and shall only post such Borrower Materials on, a portion of the Platform not designated as "Public Side Information," Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall be under no obligation to mark any Borrower Materials "PUBLIC."

7.02 Books, Records and Inspections.

(a) Keep, and cause each Subsidiary to keep, its books and records in accordance with sound business practices sufficient to allow the preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP; (b) permit, and cause each Significant Subsidiary and each Domestic Subsidiary (other than Excluded Subsidiaries) to permit, the Administrative Agent (which may be accompanied by any Lender) or any representative thereof upon reasonable prior notice to inspect the properties and operations of the Company and of such Subsidiary; and (c) permit, and cause each Significant Subsidiary and each Domestic Subsidiary (other than Excluded Subsidiaries) to permit, at any reasonable time during normal business hours and with reasonable notice (or at any time without notice if an Event of Default exists), the Administrative Agent (which may be accompanied by any Lender) or any representative thereof to visit any or all of its offices, to discuss its financial matters with its officers and its independent auditors (and the Company hereby authorizes such independent auditors to discuss such financial matters with the Administrative Agent (which may be accompanied by any Lender) or any representative thereof, provided that the Company shall have the right to be present at any such discussions so long as no Event of Default exists), to examine (and photocopy extracts from) any of its books or other financial or operating records, provided that, unless an Event of Default exists, the costs and expenses associated with any visit or inspection made pursuant to <u>clause (b)</u> or (c) shall be for the account of the Administrative Agent (or, if acting upon the request of or accompanied by any Lender).

7.03 Insurance.

Maintain, and cause each Significant Subsidiary and each Domestic Subsidiary (other than Excluded Subsidiaries) to maintain, with responsible insurance companies, such insurance as may be required by any Law or governmental regulation or court decree or order applicable to it and such other insurance, to such extent and against such hazards and liabilities, as is customarily maintained by companies similarly situated; and, upon request of the Administrative Agent or any Lender through the Administrative Agent, furnish to the Administrative Agent or the Administrative Agent for delivery to such Lender a certificate setting forth in reasonable detail the nature and extent of all insurance maintained by the Company, the Significant Subsidiaries and the Domestic Subsidiaries (other than Excluded Subsidiaries); provided that self insurance of risks and in amounts customary in the industry of the Company and its Subsidiaries shall be permitted.

7.04 Compliance with Laws; Payment of Taxes.

(a) Comply, and cause each Subsidiary to comply, with all applicable Laws (including Environmental Laws and ERISA), rules, regulations, decrees, orders, judgments, licenses and permits, except to the extent the failure to comply therewith, either individually or in the aggregate with all other such failures, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and (b) pay, and cause each Subsidiary to pay, prior to delinquency, all federal taxes and all other material taxes and governmental charges against it or any of its property; <u>provided</u> that the foregoing shall not require the Company or any Subsidiary to pay any such tax or charge so long as it shall contest the validity thereof in good faith by appropriate action and shall set aside on its books adequate reserves with respect thereto.

7.05 Maintenance of Existence, etc.

Maintain and preserve, and (subject to <u>Section 7.09</u>) cause each Significant Subsidiary and each Domestic Subsidiary (other than Excluded Subsidiaries) to maintain and preserve, (a) its existence and good standing (or equivalent status) in the jurisdiction of its formation and (b) its qualification and good standing (or equivalent status) as a foreign entity in each jurisdiction where the nature of its business makes such qualification necessary (except in those instances in which the failure to be qualified or in good standing (or equivalent status) could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect).

7.06 Financial Covenants.

(a) <u>Consolidated Leverage Ratio</u>. Not permit the Consolidated Leverage Ratio as of the last day of any Computation Period to exceed 3.25 to 1.0; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that in connection with any individual Permitted Acquisition (or any series of Permitted Acquisitions occurring in any four Fiscal Quarter period) for which the aggregate purchase consideration equals or exceeds \$200,000,000, the maximum Consolidated Leverage Ratio, with prior notice to the Administrative Agent, shall increase to 3.50 to 1.0 for the three consecutive Fiscal Quarter period beginning with, if an individual Permitted Acquisition occurs, so long as (i) the Company is in compliance on a pro forma basis with this <u>Section 7.06(a)</u> at such 3.50 to 1.0 level after giving effect to such Permitted Acquisition and (ii) after any such Permitted Acquisition that results in an increase to the 3.50 to 1.0 level, the Consolidated Leverage Ratio permitted under this <u>Section 7.06(a)</u> shall decrease to 3.25 to 1.0 for at least one Fiscal Quarter before becoming eligible to again increase to 3.50 to 1.0 for a new period of three consecutive Fiscal Quarters (with the understanding that any Permitted Acquisition occurring during such Fiscal Quarter would be required to comply with the 3.25 to 1.0 ratio).

(b) <u>Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio</u>. Not permit the Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio as of the last day of any Computation Period to be less than 3.00 to 1.0.

7.07 Limitations on Debt.

Not, and not permit any Significant Subsidiary, any Securitization Subsidiary or any Domestic Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary that is not a Securitization Subsidiary) to, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Debt, except:

(a) Debt arising under the Loan Documents;

(b) Debt incurred to finance the acquisition, construction or improvement of any fixed or capital asset (including (i) obligations under Capital Leases and (ii) Debt assumed in connection with the acquisition of any such asset or secured by a Lien on such asset prior to the acquisition thereof (and not incurred in contemplation of such acquisition); provided that (x) such Debt is incurred prior to or substantially concurrently with such acquisition or not later than 45 days following the completion of such construction or improvement, as the case may be, (y) such Debt does not exceed the cost of such asset as of the date of such acquisition or completion of construction thereof or of such improvement on the date of completion thereof, as the case may be, and (z) the aggregate outstanding principal amount of all Debt described in this <u>clause (b)</u> does not at the time of incurrence of any such Debt exceed the greater of (A) \$50,000,000 and (B) 5% of the consolidated tangible assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the last day of the Fiscal Quarter most recently ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a) or 7.01(b)</u>;

(c) Debt secured by Liens permitted by <u>Section 7.08(c)</u>, <u>7.08(f)</u> or <u>7.08(m)</u>;

(d) Debt (or any undrawn commitment therefor) existing on the Closing Date and listed in <u>Schedule 7.07;</u>

(e) refinancings, extensions or renewals of any of the foregoing Debt to the extent the principal amount thereof is not increased (including extensions, renewals or replacements of guarantees in respect of such Debt as so refinanced, extended or renewed) and so long as the material terms applicable to such refinanced Debt are no less favorable to the Company or the applicable Significant Subsidiary, taken as a whole, than the material terms in effect immediately prior to such refinancing;

(f) Subordinated Debt;

(g) Hedging Obligations incurred in the ordinary course of business for bona fide hedging purposes and not for speculation and Debt in respect of overdraft facilities, employee credit card programs, netting services, automatic clearing house arrangements and other cash management and similar arrangements, in each case in the ordinary course of business;

(h) Debt of a Person acquired in connection with a Permitted Acquisition that was not incurred in contemplation thereof;

(i) Debt of the Company or a Significant Subsidiary as an account party in respect of trade and standby letters of credit;

(j) Debt arising under surety, custom and similar bonds in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;

(k) Securitization Obligations in an aggregate outstanding amount not exceeding at the time of incurrence of any such Securitization Obligations the greater of (i) \$100,000,000 and (ii) 10% of the consolidated tangible assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the last day of the Fiscal Quarter most recently ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> or <u>7.01(b)</u>; <u>provided</u>, that the aggregate outstanding amount of all Securitization Obligations of the Domestic Borrowers and the Domestic Subsidiaries of the Company shall not exceed \$35,000,000 at any time.

(1) Debt under the Existing Credit Agreement, so long such Debt is repaid concurrently with the making of the initial Credit Extensions hereunder;

(m) Debt arising under any Note Purchase Agreement or any Senior Note (and renewals, refinancings and extensions thereof) and, subject to <u>Section 7.16</u>, any guarantee of the foregoing;

(n) Suretyship Liabilities of the Company with respect to Debt permitted hereunder (but subject to any limitations otherwise applicable to the Company to incur such Debt directly);

(o) other unsecured Debt and, subject to Section 7.16, any guaranty thereof; and

(p) to the extent constituting Debt, Investments permitted under Section 7.17;

provided that, at the time of incurrence of Debt described in <u>clause (m)</u> and <u>clause (o)</u> after the Closing Date, (i) the Company is in pro forma compliance with the covenants set forth in <u>Section 7.06</u> and (ii) no Default shall exist or result from the incurrence of such Debt.

7.08 Liens.

Not, and not permit any Significant Subsidiary, any Securitization Subsidiary or any Domestic Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary that is not a Securitization Subsidiary) to, create or permit to exist any Lien on any of its real or personal properties, assets or rights of whatsoever nature (whether now owned or hereafter acquired), except:

(a) Liens for taxes or other governmental charges not at the time delinquent for more than 90 days or thereafter payable without penalty or being contested in good faith by appropriate action and, in each case, for which it maintains adequate reserves, <u>provided</u> that no notice of lien has been filed or recorded under the Internal Revenue Code;

(b) Liens arising in the ordinary course of business (such as (i) Liens of carriers, warehousemen, mechanics and materialmen and other similar Liens imposed by Law, (ii) Liens incurred in connection with worker's compensation, unemployment compensation and other types of social security (excluding Liens arising under ERISA) or in connection with surety bonds, bids, performance bonds and similar obligations and (iii) Liens deemed to exist in connection with investments in repurchase agreements not prohibited by this Agreement) for sums not overdue or being contested in good faith by appropriate action and not involving borrowed money, and, in each case, for which it maintains adequate reserves;

(c) Liens identified in <u>Schedule 7.08</u> and any refinancing, renewal, extension or replacement of any such Lien (to the extent the aggregate principal amount of the Debt or other obligation secured thereby is not increased and so long as the scope of the property subject to such Lien is not increased);

(d) attachments, appeal bonds, judgments and other similar Liens arising in connection with court proceedings, for an aggregate amount not at any time exceeding the greater of (i) \$25,000,000 and (ii) 2.5% of the consolidated tangible assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the last day of the Fiscal Quarter most recently ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> or <u>7.01(b)</u>, <u>provided</u> the execution or other enforcement of such Liens is effectively stayed and the claims secured thereby are being actively contested in good faith and by appropriate action;

(e) leases or subleases or licenses or sublicenses granted to others in the ordinary course of business, easements, rights of way, restrictions, minor defects or irregularities in title and other similar Liens not interfering in any material respect with the ordinary conduct of the business of the Company, any Significant Subsidiary or any Domestic Subsidiary (other than Excluded Subsidiaries);

(f) Liens on property of a Person immediately prior to its being consolidated with or merged into the Company or a Subsidiary or otherwise becoming a Subsidiary and Liens on assets existing at the time of acquisition (by merger or otherwise) of such property by the Company or a Subsidiary, in each case not created in contemplation thereof, <u>provided</u> that such Liens do not extend to or cover additional types of assets, and, in each case, any refinancing, renewal, extension or replacement of any such Lien (to the extent the aggregate principal amount of the Debt or other obligation secured thereby is not increased and so long as the scope of the property subject to such Lien is not increased);

(g) Liens securing Debt permitted by <u>Section 7.07(b)</u> (including, without limitation, Liens of sellers of goods arising under Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code or similar provisions of applicable Law) or any refinancing, renewal, extension or replacement thereof (to the extent the aggregate principal amount of such Debt is not increased); <u>provided</u> that such Lien attaches solely to the property so acquired, constructed or improved in such transaction (<u>provided</u> that individual financings under <u>Section 7.07(b)</u> provided by one Person (or an Affiliate thereof) may be cross-collateralized to other financings provided by such Person and its Affiliates that are permitted by <u>Section 7.07(b)</u>);

(h) Liens arising solely by virtue of any statutory or common law provision relating to banker's liens, rights of set-off or similar rights and remedies as to deposit accounts or other funds maintained with a creditor depository institution (including, without limitation, Liens of a collecting bank arising under Section 4-210 of the Uniform Commercial Code on items in the course of collection) and/or Liens arising in the ordinary course of business with respect to deposit accounts relating to intercompany cash pooling, interest set-off and/or sweeping arrangements; provided that (i) such deposit account is not a dedicated cash collateral account and is not subject to restrictions against access by the Company or the applicable Subsidiary in excess of those set forth by regulations promulgated by the FRB and (ii) such deposit account is not intended by the Company or the applicable Subsidiary to provide collateral to such depository institution;

(i) Liens securing Securitization Obligations;

(j) (i) Liens arising under any Loan Document, (ii) Liens in favor of any Loan Party, (iii) Liens on the assets of any non-Loan Party in favor of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (iv) Liens on the assets of any Foreign Subsidiary in favor of any other Foreign Subsidiary; and (v) Liens on the assets of any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party in connection with an Investment permitted pursuant <u>Section 7.17(d)</u>; and

(k) any interest of title of a lessor under leases permitted by this Agreement;

(l) Liens arising out of conditional sale, consignment or similar arrangements for the sale of goods (including Liens arising under Section 2-507 of the Uniform Commercial Code) entered into by the Company or any Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business;

(m) any other Lien securing obligations at the time of incurrence of any such obligations in an aggregate outstanding amount not exceeding the greater of (i) \$35,000,000 and (ii) 3.5% of the consolidated tangible assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the last day of the Fiscal Quarter most recently ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> or <u>7.01(b)</u>; <u>provided</u> that no Lien permitted under this <u>clause</u> (<u>m</u>) may secure any obligations under any Note Purchase Agreement.

Any Lien permitted above on any property may extend to the identifiable proceeds of such property.

7.09 Fundamental Changes, Consolidations, Sales.

Not, and not permit any Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary) to, be a party to any merger or consolidation, or sell, transfer, convey or lease any of its assets, or sell or assign with or without recourse any receivables, except for:

(a) any such merger or consolidation, sale, transfer, conveyance, lease or assignment (i) of or by any Guarantor into, with or to the Company or another Guarantor, (ii) of or by any wholly-owned Subsidiary into the Company or any other Loan Party or into, with or to any other wholly-owned Subsidiary or (iii) of or by any Foreign Subsidiary into, with or to any other Foreign Subsidiary (provided that if a Borrower is party to such transaction, either such Borrower or another Borrower shall be the survivor);

(b) transactions permitted by Section 7.17;

(c) dispositions of accounts receivable, lease receivables, other financial assets and other rights and related assets pursuant to a Permitted Securitization or any factoring transaction;

(d) dispositions of inventory, worn-out, obsolete or surplus equipment and equipment that is no longer used or useful in the conduct of business of the Company and its Subsidiaries, in each case, in the ordinary course of business and cash, Cash Equivalents and marketable securities in the ordinary course of business;

(e) dispositions of accounts receivable with extended terms and dispositions of defaulted accounts receivable without credit recourse in transactions that do not constitute securitizations, in each case in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice of the Company and/or any of its Subsidiaries;

(f) sales and dispositions of assets (including Capital Stock of Subsidiaries) purchased in connection with (and as a direct result of) a Permitted Acquisition;

(g) dispositions of property in the ordinary course of business to the extent that (i) such property is exchanged for credit against the purchase price of similar replacement property or (ii) the proceeds of such disposition are promptly applied to the purchase price of such replacement property;

(h) dispositions of property to the Company or any Subsidiary; <u>provided</u>, that if the transferor of such Property is a Loan Party (i) the transferee thereof must be a Loan Party (other than a Foreign Loan Party) or (ii) to the extent such transaction constitutes an Investment, such transaction is permitted under <u>Section 7.17</u>;

(i) other sales and dispositions of assets (including the Capital Stock of Subsidiaries) made for fair market value so long as (i) no Default exists or would exist immediately after giving effect thereto; and (ii) the Net Cash Proceeds of all such sales and dispositions (excluding Net Cash Proceeds that are applied within 180 days after receipt thereof (or with respect to which the Company has entered into binding commitments within 180 days after receipt thereof to apply such Net Cash Proceeds (but only to the extent such Net Cash Proceeds are applied within 270 days after receipt thereof pursuant to such commitments)) to purchase revenue-producing assets used in the business of the Company and its Subsidiaries or to consummate Permitted Acquisitions) in any Fiscal Year do not exceed the greater of (x) \$75,000,000 and (y) 10% of the consolidated tangible assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the last day of the Fiscal Quarter most recently ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> or <u>7.01(b)</u>; provided, that upon the Company's election in writing to the Administrative Agent, the foregoing dollar limitation shall be increased for one Fiscal Quarter most recently ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> or <u>7.01(b)</u>; novided, that upon the Company's election in writing to the Administrative Agent, the foregoing dollar limitation shall be increased for one Fiscal Quarter most recently ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> or <u>7.01(b)</u>; novided, the constrained herein, for purposes of calculating Net Cash Proceeds in the Fiscal Year the Company has elected to increase the foregoing dollar limitation, if any disposition occurring during such Fiscal Year involves the disposition of a Foreign Subsidiary, Net Cash Proceeds from such disposition shall exclude the dollar equivalent of the cash and Cash Equivalents of such Foreign Subsidiary that are sold in connection wi

limitation with respect to all such sales and dispositions of domestic assets (i.e., U.S.) shall remain the greater of (x) \$75,000,000 and (y) 10% of the consolidated tangible assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the last day of the Fiscal Quarter most recently ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> or <u>7.01(b)</u>; and

(j) other sales and dispositions of assets so long as (i) no Default exists or would exist immediately after giving effect thereto; and (ii) the aggregate net book value of all of the assets sold or otherwise disposed of by the Company and its Subsidiaries in all such sales and dispositions in any Fiscal Year shall not exceed \$2,500,000.

For the avoidance of doubt, the granting of a Lien to secure the repayment of Debt or other obligations shall not, in and of itself, constitute a conveyance or transfer of assets pursuant to this <u>Section 7.09</u>.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to the disposition (including by way of a merger or consolidation), dissolution, liquidation or winding up of any Subsidiary that is a Designated Borrower, the Company shall terminate such Subsidiary's status as a Designated Borrower in accordance with <u>Section 2.14(e)</u> and any Loans or other outstanding Obligations of such Subsidiary shall be assumed by the Company.

7.10 Use of Proceeds.

Use the proceeds of the Credit Extensions solely (i) to refinance the Existing Credit Agreement in full, (ii) to finance Permitted Acquisitions and (iii) for capital expenditures, working capital and other general corporate purposes, and not use the proceeds of the Loans, directly or indirectly, to purchase or carry Margin Stock.

7.11 Further Assurances.

Take, execute and deliver, and cause each applicable Subsidiary to take, execute and deliver, any and all such further acts and agreements as the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders may reasonably request from time to time in order to ensure that the Obligations are guaranteed pursuant to <u>Article IV</u> by the Company and, to the extent required under <u>Section 7.16</u>, the applicable Subsidiaries; and deliver, or cause the applicable Guarantor to deliver, to the Administrative Agent such documents as the Administrative Agent (or the Required Lenders acting through the Administrative Agent) may reasonably request (including opinions of counsel) to confirm that the Guaranty pursuant to <u>Article IV</u> is the legal, valid and binding obligation of each Guarantor.

7.12 Transactions with Affiliates.

Not, and not permit any other Loan Party to, enter into, or cause, suffer or permit to exist any transaction, arrangement or contract with any of its other Affiliates (other than another Loan Party) which is on terms, taken as a whole, which are less favorable than are obtainable from any Person which is not one of its Affiliates under comparable circumstances, <u>provided</u> that this <u>Section 7.12</u> shall not prohibit:

(a) capital contributions and distributions with respect to the Capital Stock of the Company or such Loan Party in the ordinary course of business or any other capital contribution to the Company;

(b) any employment or severance agreement and any amendment thereto entered into by the Company or any other Loan Party in the ordinary course of business;

(c) the payment of reasonable directors' fees and benefits;

(d) the provision of officers' and directors' indemnification and insurance in the ordinary course of business to the extent permitted by applicable Law;

(e) non-interest bearing (or below-market interest-bearing) intercompany loans or other advances in the ordinary course of business and consistent with past practice;

(f) the payment of employee salaries, bonuses and employee benefits in the ordinary course of business;

(g) sales or leases of goods to Affiliates in the ordinary course of business for less than fair market value, but for not less than cost; or

(h) any transaction permitted under <u>Section 7.07</u> (provided that no Loan Party may forgive Debt owing to it by an Affiliate that is not a Loan Party), <u>7.09</u> or <u>7.17</u>.

7.13 Employee Benefit Plans.

Maintain, and cause each Subsidiary to maintain, each Pension Plan in compliance with all applicable requirements of Law and regulations, except to the extent non-compliance could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

7.14 Environmental Laws.

Conduct, and cause each Subsidiary to conduct, its operations and keep and maintain its property in compliance with all Environmental Laws, except to the extent non-compliance could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

7.15 Business Activities.

Not, and not permit any Significant Subsidiary or any Domestic Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary) to, engage in any line of business other than the same or similar lines of business engaged in by the Company and its Significant Subsidiaries as of the Closing Date and reasonable extensions thereof.

7.16 Non-Guarantor Domestic Subsidiaries.

Not later than the date that is sixty (60) days after the end of each Fiscal Quarter (or such later date as agreed by the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion) during which the Company (directly or indirectly) creates, an existing Subsidiary becomes, or the Company acquires (pursuant to a transaction (or series of related transactions)), a Domestic Subsidiary, take all steps necessary to ensure that Domestic Subsidiaries (other than Excluded Subsidiaries) that, together with the Company, account for (i) not less than 80% of the total assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries (other than Excluded Subsidiaries) as of the date of determination and (ii) not less than 80% of the total revenues of the Company and its Subsidiaries (other than Excluded Subsidiaries) for the 12-month period ending on the last day of the calendar quarter ended immediately prior to the date of determination (in each case excluding assets and revenues of any Subsidiary or business unit that has been divested or liquidated on or prior to any date of determination and after giving effect to the elimination of intercompany items) for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> or <u>7.01(b)</u>, are parties to this Agreement as

Guarantors (the thresholds in the foregoing <u>clauses (i)</u> and (<u>ii</u>), together, the "<u>Minimum Guarantor Threshold</u>"); <u>provided</u> that no default shall occur under this <u>Section 7.16</u> if, notwithstanding the Minimum Guarantor Threshold, all Domestic Subsidiaries (other than Excluded Subsidiaries) as of such date of determination are Guarantors. Without limiting the foregoing, the Company will cause any Subsidiary that guarantees, or that is required by the terms of any Note Purchase Agreement or any Senior Note to guarantee, Debt in respect of any Note Purchase Agreement and/or any Senior Note to be a Guarantor.

7.17 Investments.

Not, and not permit any Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary) to, make any Investments, except:

(a) Investments held in the form of cash or Cash Equivalents;

(b) Investments existing or committed to as of the Closing Date and set forth in <u>Schedule 7.17</u> (and any modification, replacement, renewal or extension thereof, to the extent that the amount of the original Investment is not increased except by the terms of such Investment or as otherwise permitted under this <u>Section 7.17</u>);

(c) Investments in any Person that is a Loan Party prior to giving effect to such Investment; <u>provided</u>, that Investments in Foreign Loan Parties by Loan Parties that are not Foreign Loan Parties shall be limited to the Investments permitted pursuant to <u>Sections 7.17(l)</u> and <u>7.17(m)</u>;

(d) Investments by any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party in any other Subsidiary;

(e) Investments consisting of extensions of credit in the nature of accounts receivable or notes receivable arising from the grant of trade credit in the ordinary course of business and other advances, prepayments and credits to suppliers in the ordinary course of business, and Investments (including debt obligations) received in connection with bankruptcy or reorganization of suppliers, customers and other account debtors (or received in satisfaction or partial satisfaction thereof from financially troubled account debtors) to the extent reasonably necessary to prevent or limit loss and in full or partial settlement of delinquent obligations of, and other disputes with, customers, suppliers and other account debtors arising in the ordinary course of business;

(f) loans and advances to officers, directors and employees of the Company or any Subsidiary in connection with travel, entertainment, relocation and analogous ordinary business purposes and advances of payroll payments to employees in the ordinary course of business;

(g) Suretyship Liabilities permitted by Section 7.07;

(h) Permitted Acquisitions;

(i) promissory notes and other noncash consideration received from credit-worthy obligors in connection with dispositions permitted under <u>Section 7.09;</u>

(j) Investments in non-qualified employee benefit plans, including deferred compensation plans;

(k) Investments in partnerships, joint ventures and any other non-Wholly Owned Subsidiary where the aggregate amount of such Investments (excluding any such Investment existing or committed for on the Closing Date and listed on <u>Schedule 7.17</u>) outstanding at any one time does not exceed the greater of (i) \$50,000,000 and (ii) 5% of consolidated tangible assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the last day of the Fiscal Quarter most recently ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> or <u>7.01(b)</u>; <u>provided</u> that no Loan Party may become a general partner in any partnership;

(l) Investments by a Loan Party in a Foreign Loan Party or a Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party for purposes of funding a Permitted Acquisition so long as the sum of (i) unrestricted cash of the Company and its Domestic Subsidiaries <u>plus</u> (ii) unutilized availability under the Aggregate Revolving Commitments is at least \$175,000,000;

(m) any Investment made by a Loan Party in a Foreign Loan Party or a Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party with cash proceeds received from distributions from Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties to the extent such Investment is made within 15 days of the receipt of such cash proceeds; and

(n) Investments of a nature not contemplated in the foregoing clauses in an amount not to exceed \$25,000,000 during any Fiscal Year.

7.18 Burdensome Agreements.

(a) Not, and not permit any Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary) to, enter into, or permit to exist, any Contractual Obligation that encumbers or restricts the ability of any such Person to (i) pay dividends or make any other distributions to any Loan Party on its Capital Stock or with respect to any other interest or participation in, or measured by, its profits, (ii) repay any loans or advances owed to any Loan Party, (iii) make loans or advances to any Loan Party, (iv) sell, lease or transfer any of its property to any Loan Party, (v) pledge its property pursuant to the Loan Documents or any renewals, refinancings, exchanges, refundings or extension thereof or (vi) act as a Loan Party pursuant to the Loan Documents or any renewals, refinancings, exchanges, refundings or extension thereof, except (in respect of any of the matters referred to in clauses (i)-(v) above) for (1) this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, (2) any document or instrument governing Debt incurred pursuant to Section 7.07(b), provided that any such restriction contained therein relates only to the asset or assets constructed or acquired in connection therewith and proceeds thereof, (3) any Permitted Lien or any document or instrument governing any Permitted Lien, provided that any such restriction contained therein relates only to the asset or assets subject to such Permitted Lien, (4) the Note Purchase Agreements, (5) restrictions and conditions imposed by Law, (6) customary restrictions and conditions contained in any agreement relating to the sale or other disposition of any property permitted under Section 7.09 pending the consummation of such sale or other disposition, and/or (7) Contractual Obligations which (A) (i)(x) exist on the Closing Date and (to the extent not otherwise permitted by this Section 7.18) are listed on <u>Schedule 7.18</u> hereto and (y) to the extent Contractual Obligations permitted by clause (x) are set forth in an agreement evidencing Debt, are set forth in any agreement evidencing any permitted renewal, extension or refinancing of such Debt so long as such renewal, extension or refinancing does not expand the scope of such Contractual Obligation, (ii) are binding on a Subsidiary at the time such Subsidiary first becomes a Subsidiary, so long as such Contractual Obligations were not entered into in contemplation of such Person becoming a Subsidiary, (B) are customary provisions in joint venture agreements and other similar agreements applicable to joint ventures permitted under Section 7.17 and applicable solely to such joint venture entered into in the ordinary course of business, (C) are customary

non-assignment provisions in leases, joint venture agreements and other contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business, (D) are customary restrictions on leases, subleases or licenses otherwise permitted hereby so long as such restrictions relate to the assets subject thereto, (E) are customary provisions restricting subletting or assignment of any lease governing a leasehold interest, (F) are restrictions on cash or other deposits imposed by customers under contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business, (G) arise in connection with cash or other deposits permitted under <u>Section 7.08</u>, or (H) are set forth in the agreements governing any Permitted Securitization with respect to any Securitization Subsidiary or in any agreements governing any factoring transaction permitted under <u>Section 7.09</u> (so long as the applicable restriction applies solely to the assets subject to such transactions).

(b) Not, and not permit any Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary) to, enter into, or permit to exist, any Contractual Obligation that requires the grant of security if such property is given as security for the Obligations except for the Note Purchase Agreements and Hedging Agreements constituting Obligations.

7.19 Organization Documents.

Not, and not permit any Loan Party to, amend, modify or change its Organization Documents in a manner materially adverse to the Lenders.

ARTICLE VIII

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ARTICLE IX

EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

9.01 Events of Default.

Each of the following shall constitute an Event of Default under this Agreement:

(a) <u>Non-Payment of the Loans, etc.</u> Default in the payment when due of the principal of any Loan or any reimbursement obligation with respect to any Letter of Credit; or default, and continuance thereof for five days, in the payment when due of any interest, fee or other amount payable by the Loan Parties hereunder or under any other Loan Document.

(b) <u>Non-Payment of Other Debt, etc.</u> (i) Any default shall occur under the terms applicable to any Debt of the Company or any Significant Subsidiary (other than Debt hereunder) in an aggregate principal amount (for all such Debt so affected) exceeding \$25,000,000 and such default shall (x) consist of the failure to pay such Debt when due (subject to any applicable grace period), whether by acceleration or otherwise, or (y) accelerate the maturity of such Debt or permit the holder or holders thereof, or any trustee or agent for such holder or holders, to cause such Debt to become due and payable prior to its expressed maturity; or (ii) any event shall occur with respect to any Securitization Obligations that results in, or permits the holder or holders of such obligations, or any trustee or agent for such holder or holders, to require the replacement or resignation of the servicer with respect thereto and the appointment of a new servicer other than the Company or any Subsidiary.

(c) <u>Bankruptcy, Insolvency, etc.</u> The Company or any Significant Subsidiary becomes insolvent or generally fails to pay, or admits in writing its general inability or refusal to pay, debts as they become due; or the Company or any Significant Subsidiary applies for, consents to, or acquiesces in the appointment of a trustee, receiver or other custodian for the Company or any Significant Subsidiary or any substantial part of the property thereof, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors; or, in the absence of such application, consent or acquiescence, a trustee, receiver or other custodian is appointed for the Company or such Significant Subsidiary or for any substantial part of the property thereof and is not discharged within 60 days; or any bankruptcy, reorganization, debt arrangement, or other case or proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law, or any dissolution or liquidation proceeding (except the voluntary dissolution, not under any Debtor Relief Law, of a Significant Subsidiary), is commenced in respect of the Company or any Significant Subsidiary, and if such case or proceeding is not commenced by the Company or any Significant Subsidiary, an order for relief is entered therein, or such case or proceeding is consented to or acquiesced in by the Company or such Significant Subsidiary or remains for 60 days undismissed; or the Company or any Significant Subsidiary takes any corporate action to authorize, or in furtherance of, any of the foregoing.

(d) <u>Non-Compliance with Provisions of this Agreement</u>. (i) Failure by the Company to comply with or to perform any covenant set forth in <u>Sections 7.01(e)</u>, 7.05 through 7.09, 7.12, 7.16, 7.17 or 7.18; (ii) failure by the Company to comply with or to perform any covenant set forth in <u>Sections 7.01(a)</u>, 7.01(b), 7.01(c), 7.10 or 7.11 and continuance of such failure for ten days after an Executive Officer obtains actual knowledge; or (iii) failure by the Company to comply with or to perform any other provision of this Agreement (and not constituting an Event of Default under any of the other provisions of this <u>Section 9.01</u>) and continuance of such failure for 30 days after written notice thereof to the Company from the Administrative Agent).

(e) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. Any representation or warranty made by a Loan Party under any Loan Document is breached or is false or misleading in any material respect when made or deemed made, or any schedule, certificate, financial statement, report, notice or other writing furnished by a Loan Party to the Administrative Agent or any Lender in connection herewith is false or misleading in any material respect on the date as of which the facts therein set forth are stated or certified.

(f) <u>Pension Plans and Plan Assets</u>. (i) Institution of any steps by the Company or any Subsidiary or any other Person to terminate a Pension Plan if as a result of such termination the Company or any Subsidiary could reasonably be expected to be required to make a contribution to such Pension Plan, or could reasonably be expected to incur a liability or obligation to such Pension Plan, in excess of \$25,000,000; (ii) a contribution failure occurs with respect to any Pension Plan sufficient to give rise to a Lien securing a material amount under section 303(k) of ERISA; (iii) there shall occur any withdrawal or partial withdrawal from a Multiemployer Pension Plan and the withdrawal liability (without unaccrued interest) to Multiemployer Pension Plans as a result of such withdrawal (including any outstanding withdrawal liability that the Company and the Controlled Group have incurred on the date of such withdrawal) exceeds \$25,000,000; or (iv) any Loan Party becomes an entity deemed to hold Plan Assets.

(g) <u>Judgments</u>. (i) Final judgments which exceed an aggregate of \$25,000,000 shall be rendered against the Company or any Subsidiary or (ii) any one or more non-monetary final judgments shall be rendered against the Company or any Subsidiary that have, or could reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, in each case shall not have been paid, discharged or vacated or had execution thereof stayed pending appeal within 30 days after entry or filing of such judgments.

(h) <u>Invalidity of Loan Documents</u>. Any Loan Document, at any time after its execution and delivery and for any reason other than as expressly permitted hereunder or thereunder, in accordance with its terms or satisfaction in full of all the Obligations (other than any contingent obligation that is not due and payable), ceases to be in full force and effect with respect to any Loan Party party thereto; or any Loan Party (or any other Person acting on behalf thereof) contests in any manner the validity or enforceability of any Loan Document to which it is a party; or any Loan Party denies that it has any or further liability or obligation under, or purports to revoke, terminate or rescind, any Loan Document other than in accordance with its terms.

(i) <u>Change in Control</u>. (i) Any Person or group of Persons (within the meaning of Section 13 or 14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) (excluding (w) any employee benefit plan of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (x) any person or entity acting in its capacity as trustee, agent or other fiduciary or administrator of any such plan and (y) Elizabeth Brady, William Brady and their descendants or any trusts established for them or their descendants, and the W. H. Brady Foundation, Inc.) shall acquire beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 promulgated under such Act) of one-third (1/3) or more of the outstanding shares of common stock of the Company entitled to vote for members of the board of directors or equivalent governing body of the Company on a fully diluted basis; (ii) during any 12-month period, individuals who at the beginning of such period constituted the Company's board of directors (together with any new directors whose election by the Company's board of directors or whose nomination for election by the Company's shareholders was approved by a vote of at least two-thirds of the directors who either were directors at beginning of such period or whose election or nomination was previously so approved) cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the board of directors of the Company; or (iii) the Company fails to own (directly or indirectly) 100% of the outstanding Capital Stock of any Designated Borrower.

9.02 Remedies Upon Event of Default.

If any Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Administrative Agent shall, at the request of, or may, with the consent of, the Required Lenders, take any or all of the following actions:

(a) declare the commitment of each Lender to make Loans and any obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions to be terminated, whereupon such commitments and obligation shall be terminated;

(b) declare the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Loans, all interest accrued and unpaid thereon, and all other amounts owing or payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document to be immediately due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived by the Borrowers;

(c) require that the Borrowers Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations (in an amount equal to the Minimum Collateral Amount with respect thereto); and

(d) exercise on behalf of itself, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer all rights and remedies available to it, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer under the Loan Documents or applicable Law or equity;

provided, however, that upon the occurrence of an actual or deemed entry of an order for relief with respect to any Borrower under the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, the obligation of each Lender to make Loans and any obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions shall automatically terminate, the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Loans and all interest and other amounts as aforesaid shall automatically become due and payable, and the obligation of the Borrowers to Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations as aforesaid shall automatically become effective, in each case without further act of the Administrative Agent or any Lender.

9.03 Application of Funds.

After the exercise of remedies provided for in <u>Section 9.02</u> (or after the Loans have automatically become immediately due and payable and the L/C Obligations have automatically been required to be Cash Collateralized as set forth in the proviso to <u>Section 9.02</u>), any amounts received on account of the Obligations shall, subject to the provisions of <u>Section 2.15</u> and <u>2.16</u>, be applied by the Administrative Agent in the following order:

<u>First</u>, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting fees, indemnities, expenses and other amounts (including the reasonable and documented fees, charges and disbursements of counsel to the Administrative Agent and amounts payable under <u>Article III</u>) payable to the Administrative Agent in its capacity as such;

Second, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting fees, indemnities and other amounts (other than principal, interest and Letter of Credit Fees) payable to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer (including the reasonable and documented fees, charges and disbursements of counsel due and owing pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and amounts payable under <u>Article III</u>), ratably among them in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause <u>Second</u> payable to them;

<u>Third</u>, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting accrued and unpaid Letter of Credit Fees and interest on the Loans and L/C Borrowings and fees, premiums and scheduled periodic payments, and any interest accrued thereon, due under any Hedging Agreement between any Loan Party and any Lender, or any Affiliate of a Lender, ratably among the Lenders (and, in the case of such Hedging Agreements, Affiliates of Lenders) and the L/C Issuer in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause <u>Third</u> held by them;

<u>Fourth</u>, to (a) payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting unpaid principal of the Loans and L/C Borrowings, (b) payment of breakage, termination or other payments, and any interest accrued thereon, due under any Hedging Agreement between any Loan Party and any Lender, or any Affiliate of a Lender, (c) payments of amounts due under any Treasury Management Agreement between any Loan Party and any Lender, or any Affiliate of a Lender and (d) Cash Collateralize that portion of L/C Obligations comprised of the aggregate undrawn amount of Letters of Credit, ratably among the Lenders (and, in the case of such Hedging Agreements, Affiliates of Lenders) and the L/C Issuer in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause <u>Fourth</u> held by them; and

Last, the balance, if any, after all of the Obligations (other than contingent obligations not yet due and payable) have been indefeasibly paid in full, to the Borrowers or as otherwise required by Law.

Subject to <u>Sections 2.03(c)</u> and <u>2.15</u>, amounts used to Cash Collateralize the aggregate undrawn amount of Letters of Credit pursuant to clause <u>Fourth</u> above shall be applied to satisfy drawings under such Letters of Credit as they occur. If any amount remains on deposit as Cash Collateral after all Letters of Credit have either been fully drawn or expired, such remaining amount shall be applied to the other Obligations, if any, in the order set forth above.

ARTICLE X

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT

10.01 Appointment and Authority.

Each of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer hereby irrevocably appoints Bank of America to act on its behalf as the Administrative Agent hereunder and under the other Loan Documents and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such actions on its behalf and to exercise such powers as are delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms hereof or thereof, together with such actions and powers as are reasonably incidental thereto. The provisions of this Article are solely for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer, and no Loan Party shall have rights as a third party beneficiary of any of such provisions. It is understood and agreed that the use of the term "agent" herein or in any other Loan Documents (or any other similar term) with reference to the Administrative Agent is not intended to connote any fiduciary or other implied (or express) obligations arising under agency doctrine of any applicable Law. Instead such term is used as a matter of market custom, and is intended to create or reflect only an administrative relationship between contracting parties.

10.02 Rights as a Lender.

The Person serving as the Administrative Agent hereunder shall have the same rights and powers in its capacity as a Lender as any other Lender and may exercise the same as though it were not the Administrative Agent and the term "Lender" or "Lenders" shall, unless otherwise expressly indicated or unless the context otherwise requires, include the Person serving as the Administrative Agent hereunder in its individual capacity. Such Person and its Affiliates may accept deposits from, lend money to, own securities of, act as the financial advisor or in any other advisory capacity for and generally engage in any kind of business with any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or other Affiliate thereof as if such Person were not the Administrative Agent hereunder and without any duty to account therefor to the Lenders.

10.03 Exculpatory Provisions.

The Administrative Agent shall not have any duties or obligations except those expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents, and its duties hereunder shall be administrative in nature. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Administrative Agent:

(a) shall not be subject to any fiduciary or other implied duties, regardless of whether a Default has occurred and is continuing;

(b) shall not have any duty to take any discretionary action or exercise any discretionary powers, except discretionary rights and powers expressly contemplated hereby or by the other Loan Documents that the Administrative Agent is required to exercise as directed in writing by the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be expressly provided for herein or in the other Loan Documents), provided that the Administrative Agent shall not be required to take any action that, in its opinion or the opinion of its counsel, may expose the Administrative Agent to liability or that is contrary to any Loan Document or applicable Law, including for the avoidance of doubt any action that may be in violation of the automatic stay under any Debtor Relief Law or that may effect a forfeiture, modification or termination of property of a Defaulting Lender in violation of any Debtor Relief Law; and

(c) shall not, except as expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents, have any duty to disclose, and shall not be liable for the failure to disclose, any information relating to any Loan Party or any of its Affiliates that is communicated to or obtained by the Person serving as the Administrative Agent or any of its Affiliates in any capacity.

The Administrative Agent shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it (i) with the consent or at the request of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary, or as the Administrative Agent shall believe in good faith shall be necessary, under the circumstances as provided in <u>Sections 11.01</u> and <u>9.02</u>) or (ii) in the absence of its own gross negligence or willful misconduct as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment. The Administrative Agent shall be deemed not to have knowledge of any Default unless and until notice describing such Default is given in writing to the Administrative Agent by the Company, a Lender or the L/C Issuer.

The Administrative Agent shall not be responsible for or have any duty to ascertain or inquire into (i) any statement, warranty or representation made in or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (ii) the contents of any certificate, report or other document delivered hereunder or thereunder or in connection herewith or therewith, (iii) the performance or observance of any of the covenants, agreements or other terms or conditions set forth herein or therein or the occurrence of any Default, (iv) the validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document or (v) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in <u>Article V</u> or elsewhere herein, other than to confirm receipt of items expressly required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent.

10.04 Reliance by Administrative Agent.

The Administrative Agent shall be entitled to rely upon, and shall not incur any liability for relying upon, any notice, request, certificate, consent, statement, instrument, document or other writing (including any electronic message, Internet or intranet website posting or other distribution) believed in good faith by it to be genuine and to have been signed, sent or otherwise authenticated by the proper Person. The Administrative Agent also may rely upon any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed in good faith by it to have been made by the proper Person, and shall not incur any liability for relying thereon. In determining compliance with any condition hereunder to the making of a Loan, or the issuance, extension, renewal or increase of a Letter of Credit, that by its terms must be fulfilled to the satisfaction of a Lender or the L/C Issuer, the Administrative Agent may presume that such condition is satisfactory to such Lender or the L/C Issuer unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice to the contrary from such Lender or the L/C Issuer prior to the making of such Loan or the issuance of such Letter of Credit. The Administrative Agent may consult with legal counsel (who may be counsel for the Loan Parties), independent accountants and other experts selected by it, and shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it in accordance with the advice of any such counsel, accountants or experts.

10.05 Delegation of Duties.

The Administrative Agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers hereunder or under any other Loan Document by or through any one or more sub-agents appointed by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers by or through their respective Related Parties. The exculpatory provisions of this Article shall apply to any such sub-agent and to the Related Parties of the

Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent, and shall apply to their respective activities in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein as well as activities as Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent shall not be responsible for the negligence or misconduct of any sub-agents except to the extent that a court of competent jurisdiction determines in a final and non appealable judgment that the Administrative Agent acted with gross negligence or willful misconduct in the selection of such sub-agents.

10.06 Resignation of Administrative Agent.

(a) The Administrative Agent may at any time give notice of its resignation to the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Company. Upon receipt of any such notice of resignation, the Required Lenders shall have the right, with the consent of the Company so long as no Event of Default exists (such consent of the Company not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), to appoint a successor, which shall be a bank with an office in the United States, or an Affiliate of any such bank with an office in the United States. If no such successor shall have been so appointed by the Required Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within 30 days after the retiring Administrative Agent gives notice of its resignation (or such earlier day as shall be agreed by the Required Lenders) (the "<u>Resignation Effective Date</u>"), then the retiring Administrative Agent may (but shall not be obligated to) on behalf of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer, appoint a successor Administrative Agent meeting the qualifications set forth above. Whether or not a successor has been appointed, such resignation shall become effective in accordance with such notice on the Resignation Effective Date.

(b) If the Person serving as Administrative Agent is a Defaulting Lender pursuant to <u>clause (d)</u> of the definition thereof, the Required Lenders may, to the extent permitted by applicable Law and with the consent of the Company so long as no Event of Default exists (such consent of the Company not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), by notice in writing to the Company and such Person remove such Person as Administrative Agent and, in consultation with the Company, appoint a successor. If no such successor shall have been so appointed by the Required Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within 30 days (or such earlier day as shall be agreed by the Required Lenders) (the "<u>Removal Effective Date</u>"), then such removal shall nonetheless become effective in accordance with such notice on the Removal Effective Date.

(c) With effect from the Resignation Effective Date or the Removal Effective Date (as applicable) (i) the retiring or removed Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder and under the other Loan Documents (except that in the case of any collateral security held by the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Lenders or the L/C Issuer under any of the Loan Documents, the retiring or removed Administrative Agent shall continue to hold such collateral security until such time as a successor Administrative Agent is appointed) and (ii) except for any indemnity payments or other amounts then owed to the retiring or removed Administrative Agent, all payments, communications and determinations provided to be made by, to or through the Administrative Agent shall instead be made by or to each Lender and the L/C Issuer directly, until such time, if any, as the Required Lenders appoint a successor Administrative Agent as provided for above in this Section. Upon the acceptance of a successor's appointment as Administrative Agent (other than as provided in <u>Section 3.01(g)</u> and other than any rights to indemnity payments or other amounts owed to the retiring or removed Administrative Agent as of the Resignation Effective Date or the Removal Effective Date, as applicable), and the retiring or removed Administrative Agent shall be discharged from all of its duties and obligations hereunder or under the other Loan Documents (if not already discharged therefrom as provided above in this Section). The fees payable by the Company to a successor Administrative Agent shall be the same as those payable to its predecessor unless otherwise agreed between the Company and such successor. After the retiring or

removed Administrative Agent's resignation or removal hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, the provisions of this Article and <u>Section 11.04</u> shall continue in effect for the benefit of such retiring or removed Administrative Agent, its sub-agents and their respective Related Parties in respect of any actions taken or omitted to be taken by any of them while the retiring or removed Administrative Agent was acting as Administrative Agent.

(d) Any resignation by Bank of America as Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section shall also, on the Resignation Effective Date, effect its resignation as L/C Issuer and Swing Line Lender. If Bank of America so resigns as an L/C Issuer, it shall retain all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the L/C Issuer hereunder with respect to all Letters of Credit outstanding as of the effective date of its resignation as L/C Issuer and all L/C Obligations with respect thereto, including the right to require the Lenders to make Base Rate Loans or fund risk participations in Unreimbursed Amounts pursuant to <u>Section 2.03(c)</u>. If Bank of America so resigns as Swing Line Lender, it shall retain all the rights of the Swing Line Lender provided for hereunder with respect to Swing Line Loans made by it and outstanding as of the effective date of such resignation, including the right to require the Lenders to make Base Rate Loans or fund risk participations in outstanding Swing Line Loans pursuant to <u>Section 2.04(c)</u>. Upon the appointment by the Company of a successor L/C Issuer or Swing Line Lender thereing L/C Issuer and Buties of the retiring L/C Issuer or Swing Line Lender, as applicable, shall be discharged from all of their respective duties and obligations hereunder or under the other Loan Documents and (iii) the successor L/C Issuer shall issue letters of credit in substitution for the Letters of Credit, if any, outstanding at the time of such succession or make other arrangements satisfactory to the retiring L/C Issuer with respect to such Letters of Credit.

10.07 Non-Reliance on Administrative Agent and Other Lenders.

Each Lender and the L/C Issuer acknowledges that it has, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender or any of their Related Parties and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Agreement. Each Lender and the L/C Issuer also acknowledges that it will, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender or any of their Related Parties and based on such documents and information as it shall from time to time deem appropriate, continue to make its own decisions in taking or not taking action under or based upon this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any related agreement or any document furnished hereunder.

10.08 No Other Duties; Etc.

Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, none of the bookrunners, arrangers, syndication agents, documentation agents or co-agents shall have any powers, duties or responsibilities under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents, except in its capacity, as applicable, as the Administrative Agent, a Lender or the L/C Issuer hereunder.

10.09 Administrative Agent May File Proofs of Claim.

In case of the pendency of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or any other judicial proceeding relative to any Loan Party, the Administrative Agent (irrespective of whether the principal of any Loan or L/C Obligation shall then be due and payable as herein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether the Administrative Agent shall have made any demand on any Borrower) shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such proceeding or otherwise:

(a) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of the principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Loans, L/C Obligations and all other Obligations that are owing and unpaid and to file such other documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent under Sections 2.03(h) and 2.03(i), 2.09 and 11.04) allowed in such judicial proceeding; and

(b) to collect and receive any monies or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same;

and any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Lender and the L/C Issuer to make such payments to the Administrative Agent and, in the event the Administrative Agent shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer, to pay to the Administrative Agent any amount due for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Administrative Agent and its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Administrative Agent under <u>Sections 2.09</u> and <u>11.04</u>.

Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to authorize the Administrative Agent to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Lender or the L/C Issuer any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Obligations or the rights of any Lender or the L/C Issuer to authorize the Administrative Agent to vote in respect of the claim of any Lender or the L/C Issuer in any such proceeding.

10.10 Guaranty Matters.

The Lenders and the L/C Issuer irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent, at its option and in its discretion, to release any Guarantor from its obligations under the Guaranty if such Person ceases to be a Subsidiary as a result of a transaction permitted hereunder. Upon request by the Administrative Agent at any time, the Required Lenders will confirm in writing the Administrative Agent's authority to release any Guarantor from its obligations under the Guaranty, pursuant to this <u>Section 10.10</u>.

ARTICLE XI

MISCELLANEOUS

11.01 Amendments, Etc.

No amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, and no consent to any departure by the Borrowers or any other Loan Party therefrom, shall be effective unless in writing signed by the Required Lenders and the Loan Parties and acknowledged by the Administrative Agent, and each such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose for which given; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that

(a) no such amendment, waiver or consent shall:

(i) extend or increase the Commitment of any Lender (or reinstate any Commitment terminated pursuant to <u>Section 9.02</u>) without the written consent of such

Lender (it being understood and agreed that a waiver of any condition precedent set forth in <u>Section 5.02</u> or of any Default or a mandatory reduction in Commitments is not considered an extension or increase in Commitments of any Lender);

(ii) postpone any date fixed by this Agreement or any other Loan Document for any payment of principal (excluding mandatory prepayments), interest, fees or other amounts due to the Lenders (or any of them) or any scheduled reduction of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments hereunder or under any other Loan Document without the written consent of each Lender entitled to receive such payment or whose Commitment is being so reduced;

(iii) reduce the principal of, or the rate of interest specified herein on, any Loan or L/C Borrowing, or (subject to clause (i) of the final proviso to this <u>Section 11.01</u>) any fees or other amounts payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document without the written consent of each Lender entitled to receive such amount; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that only the consent of the Required Lenders shall be necessary (A) to amend the definition of "Default Rate" or to waive any obligation of the Borrowers to pay interest or Letter of Credit Fees at the Default Rate or (B) to amend any financial covenant hereunder (or any defined term used therein) even if the effect of such amendment would be to reduce the rate of interest on any Loan or L/C Borrowing or to reduce any fee payable hereunder;

(iv) change <u>Section 9.03</u> in a manner that would alter the pro rata sharing of payments required thereby without the written consent of each Lender directly affected thereby;

(v) amend Section 1.07 or the definition of "Alternative Currency" without the written consent of each Lender;

(vi) change any provision of this Section or the definition of "Required Lenders" without the written consent of each Lender directly affected thereby; or

(vii) release the Company or, except in connection with a merger or consolidation permitted under <u>Section 7.09</u> or a disposition permitted under <u>Section 7.09</u>, any other Borrower or all or substantially all of the Guarantors, from its or their obligations under the Loan Documents without the written consent of each Lender directly affected thereby except to the extent the release of any Guarantor is permitted pursuant to <u>Section 10.10</u>;

(b) unless also signed by the L/C Issuer, no amendment, waiver or consent shall affect the rights or duties of the L/C Issuer under this Agreement or any Issuer Document relating to any Letter of Credit issued or to be issued by it;

(c) unless also signed by the Swing Line Lender, no amendment, waiver or consent shall affect the rights or duties of the Swing Line Lender under this Agreement; and

(d) unless also signed by the Administrative Agent, no amendment, waiver or consent shall affect the rights or duties of the Administrative Agent under this Agreement or any other Loan Document;

and, <u>provided further</u>, that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, (i) the Fee Letter may be amended, or rights or privileges thereunder waived, in a writing executed only by the parties thereto; (ii) each Lender is entitled to vote as such Lender sees fit on any bankruptcy reorganization plan that affects the Loans, and each Lender acknowledges that the provisions of Section 1126(c) of the Bankruptcy Code of the United States supersedes the unanimous consent provisions set forth herein; (iii) the Required Lenders shall determine whether or not to allow a Loan Party to use cash collateral in the context of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding and such determination shall be binding on all of the Lenders; and (iv) no Defaulting Lender shall have any right to approve or disapprove any amendment, waiver or consent hereunder (and any amendment, waiver or consent which by its terms requires the consent of all Lenders or each affected Lender may be effected with the consent of the applicable Lenders other than the Defaulting Lenders), except that (x) the Commitment of such Defaulting Lender may not be increased or extended without the consent of such Lender and (y) any waiver, amendment or modification requiring the consent of all Lenders or each affected Lender that by its terms affects such Defaulting Lender disproportionately adversely relative to other affected Lenders shall require the consent of such Defaulting Lender.

11.02 Notices; Effectiveness; Electronic Communications.

(a) <u>Notices Generally</u>. Except in the case of notices and other communications expressly permitted to be given by telephone (and except as provided in subsection (b) below), all notices and other communications provided for herein shall be in writing and shall be delivered by hand or overnight courier service, mailed by certified or registered mail or sent by facsimile as follows, and all notices and other communications expressly permitted hereunder to be given by telephone shall be made to the applicable telephone number, as follows:

(i) if to a Loan Party, the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or the Swing Line Lender, to the address, facsimile number, electronic mail address or telephone number specified for such Person on <u>Schedule 11.02</u>; and

(ii) if to any other Lender, to the address, facsimile number, electronic mail address or telephone number specified in its Administrative Questionnaire (including, as appropriate, notices delivered solely to the Person designated by a Lender on its Administrative Questionnaire then in effect for the delivery of notices that may contain material non-public information relating to the Company).

Notices and other communications sent by hand or overnight courier service, or mailed by certified or registered mail, shall be deemed to have been given when received; notices and other communications sent by facsimile shall be deemed to have been given when sent (except that, if not given during normal business hours for the recipient, shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next Business Day for the recipient). Notices and other communications delivered through electronic communications to the extent provided in subsection (b) below, shall be effective as provided in such subsection (b).

(b) Electronic Communications. Notices and other communications to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer hereunder may be delivered or furnished by electronic communication (including e-mail and Internet or intranet websites) pursuant to procedures approved by the Administrative Agent, provided that the foregoing shall not apply to notices to any Lender or the L/C Issuer pursuant to <u>Article II</u> if such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as applicable, has notified the Administrative Agent that it is incapable of receiving notices under such Article by electronic communication. The Administrative Agent, the Swing Line Lender, the L/C Issuer or the Company (on behalf of itself and the other Loan Parties) may each, in its discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by electronic communications pursuant to procedures approved by it, provided that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular notices or communications.

Unless the Administrative Agent otherwise prescribes, (i) notices and other communications sent to an e-mail address shall be deemed received upon the sender's receipt of an acknowledgement from the intended recipient (such as by the "return receipt requested" function, as available, return e-mail or other written acknowledgement) and (ii) notices or communications posted to an Internet or intranet website shall be deemed received upon the deemed receipt by the intended recipient at its e-mail address as described in the foregoing clause (i) of notification that such notice or communication is available and identifying the website address therefor; <u>provided</u> that, for both <u>clauses (i)</u> and <u>(ii)</u>, if such notice, e-mail or other communication is not sent during the normal business hours of the recipient, such notice, e-mail or communication shall be deemed to have been sent at the opening of business on the next business day for the recipient.

(c) <u>The Platform</u>. THE PLATFORM IS PROVIDED "AS IS" AND "AS AVAILABLE." THE AGENT PARTIES (AS DEFINED BELOW) DO NOT WARRANT THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THE BORROWER MATERIALS OR THE ADEQUACY OF THE PLATFORM, AND EXPRESSLY DISCLAIM LIABILITY FOR ERRORS IN OR OMISSIONS FROM THE BORROWER MATERIALS. NO WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, EXPRESS, IMPLIED OR STATUTORY, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, NON-INFRINGEMENT OF THIRD PARTY RIGHTS OR FREEDOM FROM VIRUSES OR OTHER CODE DEFECTS, IS MADE BY ANY AGENT PARTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE BORROWER MATERIALS OR THE PLATFORM. In no event shall the Administrative Agent or any of its Related Parties (collectively, the "<u>Agent Parties</u>") have any liability to any Borrower, any Lender, the L/C Issuer or any other Person for losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses of any kind (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) arising out of any Borrower's or the Administrative Agent's transmission of Borrower Materials through the Internet, except to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses are determined to have resulted from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of such Agent Party; provided, however, that in no event shall any Agent Party have any liability to any Borrower, any Lender, the L/C Issuer or actual damages).

(d) <u>Change of Address, Etc.</u> Each of the Loan Parties, the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Swing Line Lender may change its address, facsimile or telephone number for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the other parties hereto. Each other Lender may change its address, facsimile or telephone number for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the Company, the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Swing Line Lender. In addition, each Lender agrees to notify the Administrative Agent from time to time to ensure that the Administrative Agent has on record (i) an effective address, contact name, telephone number, facsimile number and electronic mail address to which notices and other communications may be sent and (ii) accurate wire instructions for such Lender. Furthermore, each Public Lender agrees to cause at least one individual at or on behalf of such Public Lender to at all times have selected the "Private Side Information" or similar designation on the content declaration screen of the Platform in order to enable such Public Lender's compliance procedures and applicable Law, including United States federal and state securities Laws, to make reference to Borrower Materials that are not made available through the "Public Side Information" portion of the Platform and that may contain material non-public information with respect to the Borrower or its securities for purposes of United States federal or state securities laws.

(e) <u>Reliance by Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Lenders</u>. The Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders shall be entitled to rely and act upon any notices (including telephonic or electronic Loan Notices, Letter of Credit Applications and Swing Line Loan Notices) purportedly given by or on behalf of any Loan Party even if (i) such notices were not made in a manner specified herein, were incomplete or were not preceded or followed by any other form of notice specified herein, or (ii) the terms thereof, as understood by the recipient, varied from any confirmation thereof. The Loan Parties shall indemnify the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, each Lender and the Related Parties of each of them from all losses, costs, expenses and liabilities resulting from the reliance by such Person on each notice purportedly given by or on behalf of a Loan Party, other than such losses, costs, expenses and liabilities resulting from such Person's gross negligence or willful misconduct. All telephonic notices to and other telephonic communications with the Administrative Agent may be recorded by the Administrative Agent, and each of the parties hereto hereby consents to such recording.

11.03 No Waiver; Cumulative Remedies; Enforcement.

No failure by any Lender, the L/C Issuer or the Administrative Agent to exercise, and no delay by any such Person in exercising, any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder or under any other Loan Document shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder or under any other Loan Document (including the imposition of the Default Rate) preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege. The rights, remedies, powers and privileges herein provided, and provided under each other Loan Document, are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights, remedies, powers and privileges provided by Law.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in any other Loan Document, the authority to enforce rights and remedies hereunder and under the other Loan Documents against the Loan Parties or any of them shall be vested exclusively in, and all actions and proceedings at Law in connection with such enforcement shall be instituted and maintained exclusively by, the Administrative Agent in accordance with <u>Section 9.02</u> for the benefit of all the Lenders and the L/C Issuer; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the foregoing shall not prohibit (a) the Administrative Agent from exercising on its own behalf the rights and remedies that inure to its benefit (solely in its capacity as Administrative Agent) hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, (b) the L/C Issuer or the Swing Line Lender from exercising the rights and remedies that inure to its benefit (solely in its capacity as Administrative Agent) hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, (c) any Lender from exercising set-off rights in accordance with <u>Section 11.08</u> (subject to the terms of <u>Section 2.13</u>), or (d) any Lender from filing proofs of claim or appearing and filing pleadings on its own behalf during the pendency of a proceeding relative to any Loan Party under any Debtor Relief Law; and <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that if at any time there is no Person acting as Administrative Agent hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, (b), (c) and (d) of the preceding proviso and subject to <u>Section 2.13</u>, any Lender may, with the consent of the Required Lenders, enforce any rights and remedies available to it and as authorized by the Required Lenders.

11.04 Expenses; Indemnity; Damage Waiver.

(a) <u>Costs and Expenses</u>. The Loan Parties shall pay (i) all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates (but limited, in the case of legal fees and expenses, to the reasonable and documented fees, charges and disbursements of one outside counsel for the Administrative Agent and, if necessary, and one local counsel to the Administrative Agent in any relevant jurisdiction), in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein, the preparation, negotiation, execution, delivery and administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents or any amendments, modifications or waivers of the provisions hereof or thereof (whether or not the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be consummated), (ii) all reasonable

out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the L/C Issuer in connection with the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or any demand for payment thereunder and (iii) all out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer (but limited, in the case of legal fees and expenses, to the reasonable and documented fees, charges and disbursements of one counsel to the Administrative Agent and one counsel to all Lenders and the L/C Issuer taken as a whole and, if reasonably necessary, a single local counsel for the Administrative Agent and a single local counsel for all Lenders and the L/C Issuer taken as a whole in each relevant jurisdiction, and solely in the case of a conflict of interest, one additional counsel in each relevant jurisdiction to the affected Lender and/or L/C Issuer similarly situated taken as a whole) in connection with the enforcement or protection of its rights (A) in connection with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including its rights under this Section, or (B) in connection with the Loans made or Letters of Credit issued hereunder, including all such out-of-pocket expenses incurred during any workout, restructuring or negotiations in respect of such Loans or Letters of Credit.

(b) Indemnification by the Loan Parties. The Loan Parties shall indemnify the Administrative Agent (and any sub-agent thereof), each Lender and the L/C Issuer, and each Related Party of any of the foregoing Persons (each such Person being called an "Indemnitee") against, and hold each Indemnitee harmless from, any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities and related expenses (but limited, in the case of legal fees and expenses, to the reasonable and documented out-ofpocket fees, disbursements and other charges of one counsel to the Administrative Agent and one counsel to all Indemnitees taken as a whole and, if reasonably necessary, a single local counsel for the Administrative Agent and a single local counsel for all Indemnitees taken as a whole in each relevant jurisdiction, and solely in the case of a conflict of interest, one additional counsel in each relevant jurisdiction to the affected Indemnitees similarly situated taken as a whole), incurred by any Indemnitee or asserted against any Indemnitee by any Person (including any Loan Party) other than such Indemnitee and its Related Parties arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of (i) the execution or delivery of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby or thereby, the performance by the parties hereto of their respective obligations hereunder or thereunder or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, or, in the case of the Administrative Agent (and any sub-agent thereof) and its Related Parties only, the administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents (including in respect of any matters addressed in Section 3.01), (ii) any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use or proposed use of the proceeds therefrom (including any refusal by the L/C Issuer to honor a demand for payment under a Letter of Credit if the documents presented in connection with such demand do not strictly comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit), (iii) any actual or alleged presence or release of Hazardous Substances on or from any property owned or operated by a Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, or any Environmental Claims related in any way to a Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, or (iv) any actual or prospective claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding relating to any of the foregoing, whether based on contract, tort or any other theory, whether brought by a third party or by any Loan Party, and regardless of whether any Indemnitee is a party thereto; provided that such indemnity shall not, as to any Indemnitee, be available to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or related expenses (x) are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment to have resulted from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee, (y) result from a claim brought by any Borrower or any other Loan Party against an Indemnitee for a breach in bad faith of such Indemnitee's obligations hereunder or under any other Loan Document, if such Borrower or such Loan Party has obtained a final and nonappealable judgment in its favor on such claim as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or (z) arise solely from claims of any Indemnitee against one or more other Indemnities that do not involve or have not resulted from (A) an act or omission of an Indemnitee in its capacity as Administrative Agent, Lender, L/C Issuer, arranger or book manager and (B) an act or omission (or an alleged act or omission) by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary. Without limiting the provisions of Section 3.01(c), this Section 11.04(b) shall not apply with respect to Taxes other than any Taxes that represent losses, claims, damages, etc. arising from any non-Tax claim.

(c) <u>Reimbursement by Lenders</u>. To the extent that the Loan Parties for any reason fail to indefeasibly pay any amount required under subsection (a) or (b) of this Section to be paid by them to the Administrative Agent (or any sub-agent thereof), the L/C Issuer, the Swing Line Lender or any Related Party of any of the foregoing, each Lender severally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent (or any such sub-agent), the L/C Issuer, the Swing Line Lender or such Related Party, as the case may be, such Lender's pro rata share (determined as of the time that the applicable unreimbursed expense or indemnity payment is sought based on each Lender's share of the Total Revolving Outstandings of all Lenders at such time) of such unpaid amount (including any such unpaid amount in respect of a claim asserted by such Lender), such payment to be made severally among them based on such Lenders' Pro Rata Share (determined as of the time that the applicable unreimbursed expense or indemnity payment is sought), <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u> that, the unreimbursed expense or indemnified loss, claim, damage, liability or related expense, as the case may be, was incurred by or asserted against the Administrative Agent (or any such sub-agent), the L/C Issuer or the Swing Line Lender in its capacity as such, or against any Related Party of any of the foregoing acting for the Administrative Agent (or any such sub-agent), the L/C Issuer or the Swing Line Lender in connection with such capacity. The obligations of the Lenders under this subsection (c) are subject to the provisions of <u>Section 2.12(d)</u>.

(d) <u>Waiver of Consequential Damages, Etc.</u> To the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, no Loan Party shall assert, and each Loan Party hereby waives, and acknowledges that, to the actual knowledge of any Executive Officer of the Loan Parties, no other Person shall have, any claim against any Indemnitee, on any theory of liability, for special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages (as opposed to direct or actual damages) arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of, this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby, the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use of the proceeds thereof. No Indemnitee shall be liable for any damages arising from the use by unintended recipients of any information or other materials distributed to such unintended recipients by such Indemnitee through telecommunications, electronic or other information transmission systems in connection with this Agreement or the other Loan Documents or the transactions contemplated hereby other than for direct or actual damages resulting from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee as determined by a final and nonappealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction.

(e) <u>Payments</u>. All amounts due under this Section shall be payable not later than ten Business Days after demand therefor.

(f) <u>Survival</u>. The agreements in this Section and the indemnity provisions of <u>Section 11.02(e)</u> shall survive the resignation of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Swing Line Lender, the replacement of any Lender, the termination of the Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all the other Obligations.

11.05 Payments Set Aside.

To the extent that any payment by or on behalf of any Loan Party is made to the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or any Lender, or the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or any Lender exercises its right of set-off, and such payment or the proceeds of such set-off or any part thereof is subsequently invalidated, declared to be fraudulent or preferential, set aside or required (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or such Lender in its discretion) to be repaid to a trustee, receiver or any other party, in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or otherwise, then (a) to the extent of such recovery, the obligation or part thereof originally intended

to be satisfied shall be revived and continued in full force and effect as if such payment had not been made or such set-off had not occurred, and (b) each Lender and the L/C Issuer severally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent upon demand its applicable share (without duplication) of any amount so recovered from or repaid by the Administrative Agent, plus interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such payment is made at a rate per annum equal to the applicable Overnight Rate from time to time in effect, in the applicable currency of such recovery or payment. The obligations of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer under clause (b) of the preceding sentence shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

11.06 Successors and Assigns.

(a) The provisions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and thereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, except that neither the Company nor any Designated Borrower may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent and each Lender and no Lender may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder except (i) to an assignee in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this Section, (ii) by way of participation in accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of this Section or (iii) by way of pledge or assignment of a security interest subject to the restrictions of subsection (f) of this Section (and any other attempted assignment or transfer by any party hereto shall be null and void). Nothing in this Agreement, expressed or implied, shall be construed to confer upon any Person (other than the parties hereto, their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, Participants to the extent provided in subsection (d) of this Section and, to the extent expressly contemplated hereby, the Related Parties of each of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders) any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement.

(b) <u>Assignments by Lenders</u>. Any Lender may at any time assign to one or more assignees all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents (including all or a portion of its Commitment and the Loans (including for purposes of this subsection (b), participations in L/C Obligations and in Swing Line Loans) at the time owing to it); <u>provided</u> that any such assignment shall be subject to the following conditions:

(i) Minimum Amounts.

(A) in the case of an assignment of the entire remaining amount of the assigning Lender's Commitment and the related Loans at the time owing to it or contemporaneous assignments to related Approved Funds that equal at least the amount specified in subsection (b)(i)(B) of this Section in the aggregate or in the case of an assignment to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender or an Approved Fund, no minimum amount need be assigned; and

(B) in any case not described in subsection (b)(i)(A) of this Section, the aggregate amount of the Commitment (which for this purpose includes Loans outstanding thereunder) or, if the Commitment is not then in effect, the principal outstanding balance of the Loans of the assigning Lender subject to each such assignment, determined as of the date the Assignment and Assumption with respect to such assignment is delivered to the Administrative Agent or, if "Trade Date" is specified in the Assignment and Assumption, as of the Trade Date, shall not be less than \$5,000,000 unless each of the Administrative Agent and, so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Company otherwise consents (each such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).

(ii) <u>Proportionate Amounts</u>. Each partial assignment shall be made as an assignment of a proportionate part of all the assigning Lender's Loans and Commitments, and rights and obligations with respect thereto, assigned, except that this clause (ii) shall not apply to the Swing Line Lender's rights and obligations in respect of Swing Line Loans;

(iii) <u>Required Consents</u>. No consent shall be required for any assignment except to the extent required by subsection (b)(i)(B) of this Section and, in addition:

(A) the consent of the Company (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) shall be required unless (1) an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing at the time of such assignment or (2) such assignment is to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender or an Approved Fund;

(B) the consent of the Administrative Agent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) shall be required for assignments in respect of any Revolving Commitment if such assignment is to a Person that is not a Lender with a Commitment in respect of the Commitment subject to such assignment, an Affiliate of such Lender or an Approved Fund with respect to such Lender; and

(C) the consent of the L/C Issuer (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) shall be required for any assignment that increases the obligation of the assignee to participate in exposure under one or more Letters of Credit (whether or not then outstanding); and

(D) the consent of the Swing Line Lender (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) shall be required for any assignment in respect of Revolving Loans and Revolving Commitments.

(iv) <u>Assignment and Assumption</u>. The parties to each assignment shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent an Assignment and Assumption, together with a processing and recordation fee in the amount of \$3,500; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Administrative Agent may, in its sole discretion, elect to waive such processing and recordation fee in the case of any assignment. The assignee, if it shall not be a Lender, shall deliver to the Administrative Agent an Administrative Questionnaire.

(v) <u>No Assignment to Certain Persons</u>. No such assignment shall be made to (A) the Company or any of the Company's Affiliates or Subsidiaries, (B) any Defaulting Lender or any of its Subsidiaries, or any Person who, upon becoming a Lender hereunder, would constitute any of the foregoing Persons described in this clause (B), or (C) a natural Person.

(vi) <u>Certain Additional Payments</u>. In connection with any assignment of rights and obligations of any Defaulting Lender hereunder, no such assignment shall be effective unless and until, in addition to the other conditions thereto set forth herein, the parties to the assignment shall make such additional payments to the Administrative Agent in an aggregate amount sufficient, upon distribution thereof as appropriate (which may be outright payment, purchases by the assignee of participations or subparticipations, or other compensating actions, including funding, with the consent of the Company and the Administrative Agent, the applicable pro rata share of Loans previously requested but not funded by the Defaulting Lender, to each of which the applicable assignee and assignor hereby irrevocably consent), to (x) pay and satisfy in full all payment liabilities then owed by such Defaulting Lender to the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or any Lender hereunder (and interest accrued thereon) and (y) acquire (and fund as

appropriate) its full pro rata share of all Loans and participations in Letters of Credit and Swing Line Loans in accordance with its Pro Rata Share. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that any assignment of rights and obligations of any Defaulting Lender hereunder shall become effective under applicable Law without compliance with the provisions of this paragraph, then the assignee of such interest shall be deemed to be a Defaulting Lender for all purposes of this Agreement until such compliance occurs.

(vii) <u>No Assignment Resulting in Additional Indemnified Taxes</u>. No such assignment shall be made to any Person that, through its Lending Offices, is not capable of lending the applicable Alternative Currencies to the relevant Borrowers without the imposition of any additional Taxes for which the Loan Parties are required to indemnify the Administrative Agent and the Lenders pursuant to <u>Section 3.01</u>.

Subject to acceptance and recording thereof by the Administrative Agent pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section, from and after the effective date specified in each Assignment and Assumption, the assignee thereunder shall be a party to this Agreement and, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, have the rights and obligations of a Lender under this Agreement, and the assigning Lender thereunder shall, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, be released from its obligations under this Agreement (and, in the case of an Assignment and Assumption covering all of the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement, such Lender shall cease to be a party hereto but shall continue to be entitled to the benefits of <u>Sections 3.01, 3.04, 3.05</u> and <u>11.04</u> with respect to facts and circumstances occurring prior to the effective date of such assignment); <u>provided</u>, that except to the extent otherwise expressly agreed by the affected parties, no assignment by a Defaulting Lender will constitute a waiver or release of any claim of any party hereunder arising from that Lender's having been a Defaulting Lender. Upon request, the Borrowers (at their expense) shall execute and deliver Notes to the assignee Lender. Any assignment or transfer by a Lender of rights or obligations under this Agreement that does not comply with this subsection shall be treated for purposes of this Agreement as a sale by such Lender of a participation in such rights and obligations in accordance with subsection (d) of this Section.

(c) <u>Register</u>. The Administrative Agent, acting solely for this purpose as an agent of the Borrowers (and such agency being solely for tax purposes), shall maintain at the Administrative Agent's Office a copy of each Assignment and Assumption delivered to it (or the equivalent thereof in electronic form) and a register for the recordation of the names and addresses of the Lenders, and the Commitments of, and principal amounts (and stated interest) of the Loans and L/C Obligations owing to, each Lender pursuant to the terms hereof from time to time (the "<u>Register</u>"). The entries in the Register shall be conclusive absent demonstrable error, and the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Register pursuant to the terms hereof as a Lender hereunder for all purposes of this Agreement notwithstanding notice to the contrary. The Register shall be available for inspection by the Borrowers and any Lender at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice.

(d) <u>Participations</u>. Any Lender may at any time, without the consent of, or notice to, the Borrowers or the Administrative Agent, sell participations to any Person (other than a natural Person, a Defaulting Lender or the Borrowers or any of the Borrowers' Affiliates or Subsidiaries) (each, a "<u>Participant</u>") in all or a portion of such Lender's rights and/or obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitment and/or the Loans (including such Lender's participations in L/C Obligations and/or Swing Line Loans) owing to it); <u>provided</u> that (i) such Lender's obligations under this Agreement shall remain unchanged, (ii) such Lender shall remain solely responsible to the other parties hereto for the performance of such obligations and (iii) the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer shall continue to deal solely and directly with such Lender in connection with such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, each Lender shall be responsible for the indemnity under <u>Section 11.04(c)</u> without regard to the existence of any participation.

Any agreement or instrument pursuant to which a Lender sells such a participation shall provide that such Lender shall retain the sole right to enforce this Agreement and to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any provision of this Agreement; provided that such agreement or instrument may provide that such Lender will not, without the consent of the Participant, agree to any amendment, waiver or other modification described in Section 11.01(a) that directly affects such Participant. The Borrowers agree that each Participant shall be entitled to the benefits of Sections 3.01, 3.04 and 3.05 to the same extent as if it were a Lender and had acquired its interest by assignment pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section (it being understood that the documentation required under Section 3.01(e) shall be delivered to the Lender who sells the participation); provided that such Participant (A) agrees to be subject to the provisions of Sections 3.06 and 11.14 as if it were an assignee under paragraph (b) of this Section and (B) shall not be entitled to receive any greater payment under Sections 3.01 or 3.04, with respect to any participation, than the Lender from whom it acquired the applicable participation would have been entitled to receive, except to the extent such entitlement to receive a greater payment results from a Change in Law that occurs after the Participant acquired the applicable participation. Each Lender that sells a participation agrees, at the Borrowers request and expense, to use reasonable efforts to cooperate with the Borrowers to effectuate the provisions of Section 3.06 with respect to any Participant. To the extent permitted by Law, each Participant also shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 11.08 as though it were a Lender; provided that such Participant agrees to be subject to Section 2.13 as though it were a Lender. Each Lender that sells a participation shall, acting solely for this purpose as an agent of the Borrowers, maintain a register on which it enters the name and address of each Participant and the principal amounts (and stated interest) of each Participant's interest in the Loans or other obligations under the Loan Documents (the "Participant Register"); provided that no Lender shall have any obligation to disclose all or any portion of the Participant Register (including the identity of any Participant or any information relating to a Participant's interest in any commitments, loans, letters of credit or its other obligations under any Loan Document) to any Person except to the extent that such disclosure is necessary to establish that such commitment, loan, letter of credit or other obligation is in registered form under Section 5f.103-1(c) of the United States Treasury Regulations. The entries in the Participant Register shall be conclusive absent demonstrable error, and such Lender shall treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Participant Register as the owner of such participation for all purposes of this Agreement notwithstanding any notice to the contrary. For the avoidance of doubt, the Administrative Agent (in its capacity as Administrative Agent) shall have no responsibility for maintaining a Participant Register.

(e) <u>Certain Pledges</u>. Any Lender may at any time pledge or assign a security interest in all or any portion of its rights under this Agreement (including under its Note, if any) to secure obligations of such Lender, including any pledge or assignment to secure obligations to a Federal Reserve Bank; <u>provided</u> that no such pledge or assignment shall release such Lender from any of its obligations hereunder or substitute any such pledgee or assignee for such Lender as a party hereto.

(f) <u>Resignation as L/C Issuer or Swing Line Lender after Assignment</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, if at any time Bank of America assigns all of its Commitment and Loans pursuant to subsection (b) above, Bank of America may, (i) upon thirty days' notice to the Company and the Lenders, resign as L/C Issuer and/or (ii) upon thirty days' notice to the Company, resign as Swing Line Lender. In the event of any such resignation as L/C Issuer or Swing Line Lender, the Company shall be entitled to appoint from among the Lenders a successor L/C Issuer or Swing Line Lender hereunder; provided, however, that no failure by the Company to appoint any such successor shall affect the resignation of Bank of America as L/C Issuer or Swing Line Lender, as the case may be. If

Bank of America resigns as L/C Issuer, it shall retain all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the L/C Issuer hereunder with respect to all Letters of Credit outstanding as of the effective date of its resignation as L/C Issuer and all L/C Obligations with respect thereto (including the right to require the Lenders to make Base Rate Loans or fund risk participations in Unreimbursed Amounts pursuant to <u>Section 2.03(c)</u>). If Bank of America resigns as Swing Line Lender, it shall retain all the rights of the Swing Line Lender provided for hereunder with respect to Swing Line Loans made by it and outstanding as of the effective date of such resignation, including the right to require the Lenders to make Base Rate Loans or fund risk participations in outstanding Swing Line Loans pursuant to <u>Section 2.04(c)</u>. Upon the appointment of a successor L/C Issuer and/or Swing Line Lender, (1) such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring L/C Issuer or Swing Line Lender, as the case may be, and (2) the successor L/C Issuer shall issue letters of credit in substitution for the Letters of Credit, if any, outstanding at the time of such succession or make other arrangements satisfactory to Bank of America to effectively assume the obligations of Bank of America with respect to such Letters of Credit.

11.07 Confidentiality.

Each of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer agrees to maintain the confidentiality of the Information (as defined below), except that Information may be disclosed (a) to its Affiliates and to its Related Parties (it being understood that the Persons to whom such disclosure is made will be informed of the confidential nature of such Information and instructed to keep such Information confidential), (b) to the extent required or requested by any regulatory authority purporting to have jurisdiction over such Person or its Related Parties (including any self-regulatory authority, such as the National Association of Insurance Commissioners), (c) to the extent required by applicable laws or regulations or by any subpoena or similar legal process, provided that the Administrative Agent or such Lender, as applicable, will, to the extent practical, use reasonable efforts to notify the Company prior to such disclosure, (d) to any other party hereto, (e) in connection with the exercise of any remedies hereunder or under any other Loan Document or any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document or the enforcement of rights hereunder or thereunder, (f) subject to an agreement containing provisions substantially the same as those of this Section, to (i) any assignee of or Participant in, or any prospective assignee of or Participant in, any of its rights and obligations under this Agreement or any Eligible Assignee invited to become a Lender pursuant to Section 2.01(b) or (ii) any actual or prospective party (or its Related Parties) to any swap derivative or other transaction under which payments are to be made by reference to the Loan Parties and their obligations, this Agreement or payments hereunder, (g) on a confidential basis to (i) any rating agency in connection with rating any Loan Party or its Subsidiaries or the credit facility provided hereunder or (ii) the CUSIP Service Bureau or any similar agency in connection with the issuance and monitoring of CUSIP numbers or other market identifiers with respect to the credit facility provided hereunder, (h) to the extent such Information (x) becomes publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section or (y) becomes available to the Administrative Agent, any Lender, the L/C Issuer or any of their respective Affiliates on a nonconfidential basis from a source other than the Loan Parties or (i) with the consent of the Company. For purposes of this Section, "Information" means all information received from a Loan Party or any Subsidiary relating to the Loan Parties or any Subsidiary or any of their respective businesses, other than any such information that is available to the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer on a nonconfidential basis prior to disclosure by such Loan Party or any Subsidiary. Any Person required to maintain the confidentiality of Information as provided in this Section shall be considered to have complied with its obligation to do so if such Person has exercised the same degree of care to maintain the confidentiality of such Information as such Person would accord to its own confidential information.

Each of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer acknowledges that (a) the Information may include material non-public information concerning the Company or a Subsidiary, as the case may be, (b) it has developed compliance procedures regarding the use of material non-public information and (c) it will handle such material non-public information in accordance with applicable Law, including United States federal and state securities Laws.

11.08 Set-off.

If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, each Lender, the L/C Issuer and each of their respective Affiliates is hereby authorized at any time and from time to time, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, to set-off and apply any and all deposits (general or special, time or demand, provisional or final, in whatever currency) at any time held and other obligations (in whatever currency) at any time owing by such Lender, the L/C Issuer or any such Affiliate to or for the credit or the account of any Loan Party against any and all of the obligations of such Loan Party now or hereafter existing under this Agreement or any other Loan Document to such Lender or the L/C Issuer or their respective Affiliates, irrespective of whether or not such Lender, the L/C Issuer or such Affiliate shall have made any demand under this Agreement or any other Loan Document and although such obligations of such Loan Party may be contingent or unmatured or are owed to a branch or office or Affiliate of such Lender or the L/C Issuer different from the branch or office or Affiliate holding such deposit or obligated on such indebtedness; provided, that in the event that any Defaulting Lender shall exercise any such right of set-off, (x) all amounts so set-off shall be paid over immediately to the Administrative Agent for further application in accordance with the provisions of <u>Section 2.16</u> and, pending such payment, shall be segregated by such Defaulting Lender from its other funds and deemed held in trust for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the L/C Issuer and the Lord Issuer and the Lender, the L/C Issuer or their respective Affiliates under this Section are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of set-off) that such Lender, the L/C Issuer or their respective Affiliates may have. Each Lender and the L/C Issuer and the Calculation, provided that the failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of such set-off and application.

11.09 Interest Rate Limitation.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any Loan Document, the interest paid or agreed to be paid under the Loan Documents shall not exceed the maximum rate of non-usurious interest permitted by applicable Law (the "<u>Maximum Rate</u>"). If the Administrative Agent or any Lender shall receive interest in an amount that exceeds the Maximum Rate, the excess interest shall be applied to the principal of the Loans or, if it exceeds such unpaid principal, refunded to the Borrowers. In determining whether the interest contracted for, charged, or received by the Administrative Agent or a Lender exceeds the Maximum Rate, such Person may, to the extent permitted by applicable Law, (a) characterize any payment that is not principal as an expense, fee, or premium rather than interest, (b) exclude voluntary prepayments and the effects thereof, and (c) amortize, prorate, allocate, and spread in equal or unequal parts the total amount of interest throughout the contemplated term of the Obligations hereunder.

11.10 Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts (and by different parties hereto in different counterparts), each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement by facsimile or other electronic imaging means (e.g., "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement.

11.11 Integration; Effectiveness.

This Agreement, together with the other Loan Documents, comprises the complete and integrated agreement of the parties on the subject matter hereof and thereof and supersedes all prior agreements, written or oral, on such subject matter. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this Agreement and those of any other Loan Document, the provisions of this Agreement shall control; <u>provided</u> that the inclusion of supplemental rights or remedies in favor of the Administrative Agent or the Lenders in any other Loan Document shall not be deemed a conflict with this Agreement. Each Loan Document was drafted with the joint participation of the respective parties thereto and shall be construed neither against nor in favor of any party, but rather in accordance with the fair meaning thereof.

Except as provided in <u>Section 5.01</u>, this Agreement shall become effective when it shall have been executed by the Administrative Agent and when the Administrative Agent shall have received counterparts hereof that, when taken together, bear the signatures of each of the other parties hereto.

11.12 Survival of Representations and Warranties.

All representations and warranties made hereunder and in any other Loan Document or other document delivered pursuant hereto or thereto or in connection herewith or therewith shall survive the execution and delivery hereof and thereof. Such representations and warranties have been or will be relied upon by the Administrative Agent and each Lender, regardless of any investigation made by the Administrative Agent or any Lender or on their behalf and notwithstanding that the Administrative Agent or any Lender may have had notice or knowledge of any Default at the time of any Credit Extension, and shall continue in full force and effect as long as any Loan or any other Obligation hereunder shall remain unpaid or unsatisfied or any Letter of Credit shall remain outstanding.

11.13 Severability.

If any provision of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, (a) the legality, validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall not be affected or impaired thereby and (b) the parties shall endeavor in good faith negotiations to replace the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provisions with valid provisions the economic effect of which comes as close as possible to that of the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provisions. The invalidity of a provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction. Without limiting the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 11.13</u>, if and to the extent that the enforceability of any provisions in this Agreement relating to Defaulting Lenders shall be limited by Debtor Relief Laws, as determined in good faith by the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or the Swing Line Lender, as applicable, then such provisions shall be deemed to be in effect only to the extent not so limited.

11.14 Replacement of Lenders.

If the Company is entitled to replace a Lender pursuant to <u>Section 3.06</u>, or if any Lender is a Defaulting Lender or a Non-Consenting Lender, then the Company may, at its sole expense and effort, upon notice to such Lender and the Administrative Agent, require such Lender to assign and delegate, without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions contained in, and consents required by, <u>Section 11.06</u>), all of its interests, rights (other than its existing rights to payments pursuant to <u>Section 3.01</u> and <u>3.04</u>) and obligations under this Agreement and the related Loan Documents to an Eligible Assignee that shall assume such obligations (which assignee may be another Lender, if a Lender accepts such assignment), <u>provided</u> that:

(i) the Company shall have paid (or caused to be paid) to the Administrative Agent the assignment fee (if any) specified in Section 11.06(b);

(ii) such Lender shall have received payment of an amount equal to the outstanding principal of its Loans and L/C Advances, accrued interest thereon, accrued fees and all other amounts payable to it hereunder and under the other Loan Documents (including any amounts under <u>Section 3.05</u>) from the assignee (to the extent of such outstanding principal and accrued interest and fees) or the applicable Borrower(s) (in the case of all other amounts);

(iii) in the case of any such assignment resulting from a claim for compensation under <u>Section 3.04</u> or payments required to be made pursuant to <u>Section 3.01</u>, such assignment will result in a reduction in such compensation or payments thereafter;

(iv) such assignment does not conflict with applicable Laws; and

(v) in the case of any such assignment resulting from a Lender becoming a Non-Consenting Lender, the applicable assignee shall have consented to the applicable amendment, waiver or consent; provided that the failure by such Non-Consenting Lender to execute and deliver an Assignment and Assumption shall not impair the validity of the removal of such Non-Consenting Lender and the mandatory assignment of such Non-Consenting Lender's Commitments and outstanding Loans and participations in L/C Obligations and Swing Line Loans pursuant to this <u>Section 11.14</u> shall nevertheless be effective without the execution by such Non-Consenting Lender of an Assignment and Assumption.

A Lender shall not be required to make any such assignment or delegation if, prior thereto, as a result of a waiver by such Lender or otherwise, the circumstances entitling the Company to require such assignment and delegation cease to apply.

11.15 Governing Law.

(a) THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS APPLICABLE TO AGREEMENTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED ENTIRELY WITHIN SUCH STATE; <u>PROVIDED</u> THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND EACH LENDER SHALL RETAIN ALL RIGHTS ARISING UNDER FEDERAL LAW.

(b) ANY LEGAL ACTION OR PROCEEDING WITH RESPECT TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT MAY BE BROUGHT IN THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS SITTING IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS OR OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS (EASTERN DIVISION), AND BY EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THIS AGREEMENT, EACH PARTY HERETO CONSENTS, FOR ITSELF AND IN RESPECT OF ITS PROPERTY, TO THE NON-EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THOSE COURTS. EACH PARTY HERETO IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY OBJECTION, INCLUDING ANY OBJECTION TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OR BASED ON THE GROUNDS OF *FORUM NON CONVENIENS*, WHICH IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE BRINGING OF ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN SUCH JURISDICTION IN RESPECT OF ANY LOAN DOCUMENT OR OTHER DOCUMENT RELATED THERETO. EACH PARTY HERETO WAIVES PERSONAL SERVICE OF ANY SUMMONS, COMPLAINT OR OTHER PROCESS, WHICH MAY BE MADE BY ANY OTHER MEANS PERMITTED BY THE LAW OF SUCH STATE.

11.16 Waiver of Right to Trial by Jury.

EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PERSON WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

11.17 USA PATRIOT Act Notice.

Each Lender that is subject to the Act (as hereinafter defined) and the Administrative Agent (for itself and not on behalf of any Lender) hereby notifies the Borrowers that pursuant to the requirements of the USA PATRIOT Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)) (the "Act"), it is required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies the Borrowers, which information includes the name and address of each Borrower and other information that will allow such Lender or the Administrative Agent, as applicable, to identify such Borrower in accordance with the Act. Each Borrower shall, promptly following a request by the Administrative Agent or any Lender, provide all documentation and other information that the Administrative Agent or such Lender requests in order to comply with its ongoing obligations under applicable "know your customer" and anti-money laundering rules and regulations, including the Act.

11.18 Judgment Currency.

If, for the purposes of obtaining judgment in any court, it is necessary to convert a sum due hereunder or any other Loan Document in one currency into another currency, the rate of exchange used shall be that at which in accordance with normal banking procedures the Administrative Agent could purchase the first currency with such other currency on the Business Day preceding that on which final judgment is given. The obligation of the Borrowers in respect of any such sum due from them to the Administrative Agent or the Lenders hereunder or under the other Loan Documents shall, notwithstanding any judgment in a currency (the "Judgment Currency") other than that in which such sum is denominated in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Agreement (the "Agreement Currency"), be discharged only to the extent that on the Business Day following receipt by the Administrative Agent of any sum adjudged to be so due in the Judgment Currency, the Administrative Agent may in accordance with normal banking procedures purchase the Agreement Currency with the Judgment Currency. If the amount of the Agreement Currency so purchased is less than the sum originally due to the Administrative Agent from the Borrowers in the Agreement Currency, the Borrowers agree, as a separate obligation and notwithstanding any such judgment, to indemnify the Administrative Agent or the Person to whom such obligation was owing against such loss. If the amount of the Agreement Currency so purchased is greater than the sum originally due to the Administrative Agent in such currency, the Administrative Agent agrees to return the amount of any excess to the Borrowers (or to any other Person who may be entitled thereto under applicable Law).

11.19 Concerning Joint and Several Liability of the Domestic Borrowers.

(a) Each Domestic Borrower is accepting joint and several liability under this <u>Section 11.19</u> in consideration of the financial accommodation to be provided by the Lenders under this Agreement, for the mutual benefit, directly and indirectly, of each Domestic Borrower and in consideration of the undertakings of each Domestic Borrower to accept joint and several liability for the Obligations of each of the other Domestic Borrowers.

(b) Each Domestic Borrower jointly and severally hereby irrevocably and unconditionally accepts, not merely as a surety but also as a co-debtor, joint and several liability with the other Domestic Borrowers with respect to the payment and performance of all of the Obligations arising under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, it being the intention of the parties hereto that all the Obligations shall be the joint and several obligations of each of the Domestic Borrowers without preferences or distinction among them.

(c) If and to the extent that a Domestic Borrower shall fail to make any payment with respect to any of the Obligations hereunder as and when due or to perform any of such obligations in accordance with the terms thereof, then in each such event, the other Domestic Borrowers will make such payment with respect to, or perform, such obligation.

(d) The obligations of each Domestic Borrower under the provisions of this <u>Section 11.19</u> constitute full recourse obligations of such Domestic Borrower, enforceable against it to the full extent of its properties and assets, irrespective of the validity, regularity or enforceability of this Agreement or any other circumstances whatsoever.

(e) Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, each Domestic Borrower hereby waives notice of acceptance of its joint and several liability, notice of occurrence of any Default (except to the extent notice is expressly required to be given pursuant to the terms of this Agreement), or of any demand for any payment under this Agreement, notice of any action at any time taken or omitted by the Administrative Agent or the Lenders under or in respect of any of the Obligations hereunder, any requirement of diligence and, generally, all demands, notices and other formalities of every kind in connection with this Agreement (other than, in each case, any notice any Domestic Borrower has the express right to receive under the Loan Documents). Each Domestic Borrower hereby assents to, and waives notice of, any extension or postponement of the time for the payment of any of the Obligations hereunder of the Domestic Borrowers, the acceptance of any partial payment thereon, any waiver, consent or other action or acquiescence by the Lenders at any time or times in respect of any default by any other Domestic Borrower in the performance or satisfaction of any term, covenant, condition or provision of this Agreement, any and all other indulgences whatsoever by the Lenders in respect of any of the Obligations hereunder of the other Domestic Borrowers, and the taking, addition, substitution or release, in whole or in part, at any time or times, of any security for any of such Obligations or the addition, substitution or release, in whole or in part, of any other Domestic Borrower. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Domestic Borrower assents to any other action or delay in acting or any failure to act without the other Borrowers on the part of the Administrative Agent or the Lenders, including, without limitation, any failure strictly or diligently to assert any right or to pursue any remedy or to comply fully with applicable laws or regulations thereunder which might, but for the provisions of this Section 11.19, afford grounds for terminating, discharging or relieving such Domestic Borrower, in whole or in part, from any of its obligations under this Section 11.19, it being the intention of each Domestic Borrower that, so long as any of the Obligations hereunder of the other Domestic Borrowers remain unsatisfied, the obligations of such Domestic Borrower under this Section 11.19 shall not be discharged except by performance and then only to the extent of such performance. The obligations of each Domestic Borrower under this Section 11.19 shall not be diminished or rendered unenforceable by any winding up, reorganization, arrangement, liquidation, reconstruction or similar proceeding with respect to any reconstruction or similar proceeding with respect to any Loan Party or the Lenders. The

joint and several liability of the Domestic Borrowers under this <u>Section 11.19</u> shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding any absorption, merger, amalgamation or any other change whatsoever in the name, membership, constitution or place of formation of any Loan Party or the Lenders.

(f) The provisions of this <u>Section 11.19</u> are made for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders and their respective successors and assigns, and may be enforced by any such Person from time to time against any of the Domestic Borrowers as often as occasion therefore may arise and without requirement on the part of any Lender first to marshal any of its claims or to exercise any of its rights against any other Loan Party or to exhaust any remedies available to it against any other Loan Party or to resort to any other source or means of obtaining payment of any of the Obligations or to elect any other remedy. The provisions of this <u>Section 11.19</u> shall remain in effect until all the Obligations hereunder shall have been paid in full or otherwise fully satisfied. If at any time, any payment, or any part thereof, made in respect of any of the Obligations, is rescinded or must otherwise be restored or returned by the Lenders upon the insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization of any of the Loan Parties, or otherwise, the provisions of this <u>Section 11.19</u> will forthwith be reinstated and in effect as though such payment had not been made.

(g) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained herein or in any other of the Loan Documents or Hedging Agreements or Treasury Management Agreements, the obligations of each Domestic Borrower under this <u>Section 11.19</u> shall be limited to an aggregate amount equal to the largest amount that would not render its obligations hereunder subject to avoidance under Section 548 of the Bankruptcy Code of the United States or any comparable provisions of any applicable Debtor Relief Law.

(h) For purposes of clarification with respect to the Designated Borrowers that are Foreign Subsidiaries, (i) the Obligations of such Designated Borrowers are several and not joint and several and (ii) pursuant to <u>Article IV</u>, the Company and the other Domestic Borrowers shall guarantee the Obligations of such Designated Borrowers.

11.20 Subordination of Intercompany Debt.

Each Loan Party agrees that all intercompany Debt among Loan Parties (the "<u>Intercompany Debt</u>") is subordinated in right of payment, to the prior payment in full of all Obligations (other than contingent obligations not yet due and payable). Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, provided that no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, Loan Parties may make and receive payments with respect to the Intercompany Debt to the extent otherwise permitted by this Agreement; provided, that in the event of and during the continuation of any Event of Default, no payment shall be made by or on behalf of any Loan Party on account of any Intercompany Debt. In the event that any Loan Party receives any payment of any Intercompany Debt at a time when such payment is prohibited by this <u>Section 11.20</u> hereof, such payment shall be held by such Loan Party, in trust for the benefit of, and shall be paid forthwith over and delivered, upon written request, to, the Administrative Agent

11.21 No Advisory or Fiduciary Responsibility.

In connection with all aspects of each transaction contemplated hereby (including in connection with any amendment, waiver or other modification hereof or of any other Loan Document), each of the Loan Parties acknowledges and agrees, and acknowledges its Affiliates' understanding, that: (i) (A) the arranging and other services regarding this Agreement provided by the Administrative Agent and MLPFS and the Lenders are arm's-length commercial transactions between the Loan Parties and their respective Affiliates, on the one hand, and the Administrative Agent, MLPFS and the Lenders, on the other hand, (B) each of the Loan Parties has consulted its own legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to the

extent it has deemed appropriate, and (C) each of the Loan Parties is capable of evaluating, and understands and accepts, the terms, risks and conditions of the transactions contemplated hereby and by the other Loan Documents; (ii) (A) the Administrative Agent, MLPFS and the Lenders each is and has been acting solely as a principal and, except as expressly agreed in writing by the relevant parties, has not been, is not, and will not be acting as an advisor, agent or fiduciary for the Loan Parties or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other Person and (B) neither the Administrative Agent, MLPFS nor any Lender has any obligation to the Loan Parties or any of their respective Affiliates with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby except those obligations expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents; and (iii) the Administrative Agent, MLPFS, the Lenders and their respective Affiliates may be engaged in a broad range of transactions that involve interests that differ from those of the Loan Parties and their respective Affiliates. To the fullest extent permitted by Law, each of the Loan Parties hereby waives and releases any claims that it may have against the Administrative Agent, MLPFS or any Lender with respect to any breach or alleged breach of agency or fiduciary duty in connection with any aspect of any transaction contemplated hereby.

11.22 Electronic Execution of Assignments and Certain Other Documents.

The words "execute" "execution," "signed," "signature," and words of like import in any Assignment and Assumption or in any amendment or other modification hereof (including waivers and consents) shall be deemed to include electronic signatures, the electronic matching of assignment terms and contract formations on electronic platforms approved by the Administrative Agent or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable Law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed as of the date first above written.

BORROWERS:

GUARANTORS:

BRADY CORPORATION, a Wisconsin corporation

By: /s/ FRANK M. JAEHNERT Name: Frank M. Jaehnert

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

BRADY WORLDWIDE, INC., a Wisconsin corporation

By:/s/ FRANK M. JAEHNERTName:Frank M. JaehnertTitle:President and Chief Executive Officer

TRICOR DIRECT, INC., a Delaware corporation

By: /s/ FRANK M. JAEHNERT Name: Frank M. Jaehnert Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

BRADY FINANCE LUXEMBOURG S.à r.l., a Luxembourg private limited liability company (Société à responsabilité limitée)

 By:
 /s/ THOMAS J. FELMER

 Name:
 Thomas J. Felmer

 Title:
 Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

BRADY INTERNATIONAL CO., a Wisconsin corporation BRADY INVESTMENT CO., a Nevada corporation WORLDMARK OF WISCONSIN, INC., a Delaware corporation DUAL CORE LLC, a Wisconsin limited liability company BRADY PRECISION CONVERTING, LLC, a Wisconsin limited liability company CLEMENT COMMUNICATIONS, INC, a Pennsylvania corporation AIO ACQUISITION, INC., a Delaware corporation BRADY MEXICO HOLDING LLC, a Delaware limited liability company

By: /s/ FRANK M. JAEHNERT

Name: Frank M. Jaehnert Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT:

LENDERS:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as Administrative Agent

By: /s/ LINDA LOV Name: Linda Lov Title: AVP

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as a Lender, L/C Issuer and Swing Line Lender

By:/s/ STEVEN K. KESSLERName:Steven K. KesslerTitle:Senior Vice President

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as a Lender

By:/s/ MATTHEW SIMONName:Matthew SimonTitle:Vice President

BMO HARRIS BANK, N.A., as a Lender

By:/s/ PAUL M. HULTGRENName:Paul M. HultgrenTitle:Senior Vice President

By: /s/ LEO D. FREEMAN

Name: Leo D. Freeman Title: Senior Vice President

Exhibit 2.02

FORM OF LOAN NOTICE

Date: , 20

To: Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent

Re: Credit Agreement (as amended, modified, supplemented and extended from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>") dated as of February 1, 2012 among Brady Corporation, a Wisconsin corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), the other Borrowers identified therein, the Guarantors identified therein, the Lenders identified therein and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings provided in the Credit Agreement.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned hereby requests (select one):

- \Box A Borrowing of Revolving Loans
- □ A conversion or continuation of Revolving Loans
- 1. On _____, 20 (which is a Business Day).
- 2. In the amount of \$
- 3. Comprised of (Type of Loan requested).
- 4. For Eurocurrency Rate Loans: with an Interest Period of ¹.

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[5. In the following currency:

With respect to any Borrowing or any conversion or continuation requested herein, the undersigned hereby represents and warrants that (i) in the case of a Borrowing of Revolving Loans, such request complies with the requirements of the proviso to the first sentence of <u>Section 2.01(a)</u> of the Credit Agreement and (ii) in the case of a Borrowing or any conversion or continuation, each of the conditions set forth in <u>Sections 5.02(a)</u> and <u>5.02(b)</u> of the Credit Agreement have been satisfied on and as of the date of such Borrowing or such conversion or continuation.

[signature page follows]

7 days, 1 month, 2 months, 3 months, or 6 months, per the definition of "Interest Period" in Section 1.01 of the Credit Agreement.

[INSERT APPLICABLE BORROWER]

By: Name: Title:

Exhibit 2.04

FORM OF SWING LINE LOAN NOTICE

Date: , 20

To: Bank of America, N.A., as Swing Line Lender

- Cc: Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent
- Re: Credit Agreement (as amended, modified, supplemented and extended from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>") dated as of February 1, 2012 among Brady Corporation, a Wisconsin corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), the other Borrowers identified therein, the Guarantors identified therein, the Lenders identified therein and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings provided in the Credit Agreement.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned hereby requests a Swing Line Loan:

1. On , 20 (a Business Day).

2. In the amount of \$

With respect to such Borrowing of Swing Line Loans, the undersigned hereby represents and warrants that (i) such request complies with the requirements of the proviso to the first sentence of <u>Section 2.04(a)</u> of the Credit Agreement and (ii) each of the conditions set forth in <u>Sections 5.02(a)</u> and <u>5.02(b)</u> of the Credit Agreement have been satisfied on and as of the date of such Borrowing of Swing Line Loans.

[signature page follows]

[INSERT APPLICABLE BORROWER]

By: Name: Title:

Exhibit 2.11

FORM OF NOTE

, 20

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), hereby promises to pay to or registered assigns (the "<u>Lender</u>"), in accordance with the provisions of the Credit Agreement (as hereinafter defined), the principal amount of each Loan from time to time made by the Lender to the Borrower under that certain Credit Agreement (as amended, modified, supplemented and extended from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>") dated as of February 1, 2012 among the Borrowers, the Guarantors identified therein, the Lenders identified therein and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings provided in the Credit Agreement.

The Borrower promises to pay interest on the unpaid principal amount of each Loan from the date of such Loan until such principal amount is paid in full, at such interest rates and at such times as provided in the Credit Agreement. Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Credit Agreement, all payments of principal and interest shall be made to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lender in the currency in which such Loan was denominated and in Same Day Funds at the Administrative Agent's Office for such currency. If any amount is not paid in full when due hereunder, such unpaid amount shall bear interest, to be paid upon demand, from the due date thereof until the date of actual payment (and before as well as after judgment) computed at the per annum rate set forth in the Credit Agreement.

This Note is one of the Notes referred to in the Credit Agreement, is entitled to the benefits thereof and may be prepaid in whole or in part subject to the terms and conditions provided therein. Upon the occurrence and continuation of one or more of the Events of Default specified in the Credit Agreement, all amounts then remaining unpaid on this Note shall become, or may be declared to be, immediately due and payable all as provided in the Credit Agreement. Loans made by the Lender shall be evidenced by one or more loan accounts or records maintained by the Lender in the ordinary course of business. The Lender may also attach schedules to this Note and endorse thereon the date, amount and maturity of its Loans and payments with respect thereto.

The Borrower, for itself, its successors and assigns, hereby waives diligence, presentment, protest and demand and notice of protest, demand, dishonor and nonpayment of this Note.

[signature page follows]

THIS NOTE SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

[BORROWER],

By: Name: Title:

Exhibit 2.14(a)

FORM OF DESIGNATED BORROWER REQUEST

Date:

To: Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This Designated Borrower Request is made and delivered pursuant to <u>Section 2.14</u> of that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of February 1, 2012 (as amended, modified, supplemented and extended from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), among Brady Corporation, a Wisconsin corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), the other Borrowers from time to time party thereto, the Guarantors identified therein, the Lenders identified therein, and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swing Line Lender. All capitalized terms used in this Designated Borrower Request and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Credit Agreement.

Each of (the "Designated Borrower") and the Company hereby confirms, represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that the Designated Borrower is a Wholly Owned Subsidiary of the Company that is not an Excluded Subsidiary.

The documents required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent under <u>Section 2.14</u> of the Credit Agreement will be furnished to the Administrative Agent in accordance with the requirements of the Credit Agreement.

The true and correct unique identification number that has been issued to the Designated Borrower by its jurisdiction of organization and the name of such jurisdiction are set forth below:

Identification Number

Jurisdiction of Organization

The parties hereto hereby request that the Designated Borrower be entitled to receive Loans and to have Letters of Credit issued for its account under the Credit Agreement, and understand, acknowledge and agree that neither the Designated Borrower nor the Company on its behalf shall have any right to request any Loans or Letters of Credit for its account unless and until, unless otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent, the date five Business Days after the effective date designated by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders or the Required Lenders, as applicable, in a Designated Borrower Joinder Agreement delivered to the Company pursuant to <u>Section 2.14</u> of the Credit Agreement.

This Designated Borrower Request shall constitute a Loan Document under the Credit Agreement.

THIS DESIGNATED BORROWER REQUEST SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Designated Borrower Request to be duly executed and delivered by their proper and duly authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

[DESIGNATED BORROWER]

By: Name: Title:

BRADY CORPORATION,

a Wisconsin corporation

By:

Name: Title:

Exhibit 2.14(b)

FORM OF DESIGNATED BORROWER JOINDER AGREEMENT

Date:

To: Brady Corporation

The Lenders party to the Credit Agreement referred to below

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This Designated Borrower Joinder Agreement is executed and delivered pursuant to <u>Section 2.14</u> of that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of February 1, 2012 (as amended, restated, extended, supplemented or otherwise modified in writing from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), among Brady Corporation, a Wisconsin corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), the Borrowers from time to time party thereto, the Guarantors identified therein, the Lenders identified therein, and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swing Line Lender. All capitalized terms used in this Designated Borrower Joinder Agreement and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Credit Agreement.

The parties hereto hereby confirm that from and after the date hereof, **[Name of Designated Borrower]** (the "<u>New Designated Borrower</u>") shall be bound by all of the terms, provisions and conditions applicable to the Borrowers contained in the Credit Agreement. The New Designated Borrower confirms its acceptance of, and consents to, all representations and warranties, covenants, and other terms and provisions of the Credit Agreement.

Effective as of the date hereof, the New Designated Borrower shall be a Designated Borrower and be permitted to receive Loans and Letters of Credit for its account on the terms and conditions set forth in the Credit Agreement [and herein]² and shall otherwise be a Borrower for all purposes of the Credit Agreement; <u>provided</u> that no Loan Notice or Letter of Credit Application may be submitted by or on behalf of the New Designated Borrower until, unless otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent, the date five Business Days after such effective date.

The additional terms and conditions applicable to extensions of credit to the New Designated Borrower shall be:

[Insert applicable terms and conditions.]

This Designated Borrower Joinder Agreement shall constitute a Loan Document under the Credit Agreement.

[signature page follows]

Include bracketed language if additional terms and conditions apply.

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,

as Administrative Agent

By: Title:

[NEW DESIGNATED BORROWER]

By:

Name: Title:

BRADY CORPORATION,

a Wisconsin corporation

By:

Name: Title:

<u>Exhibit 3.01</u>

FORMS OF U.S. TAX COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATES

[See attached.]

Exhibit 3.01-A

FORM OF U.S. TAX COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

(For Foreign Lenders That Are Not Partnerships For U.S. Federal Income Tax Purposes)

Reference is hereby made to the Credit Agreement dated as of February 1, 2012 (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), among Brady Corporation, a Wisconsin corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), the other Borrowers identified therein, the Guarantors identified therein, the Lenders identified therein and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer.

Pursuant to the provisions of <u>Section 3.01(e)</u> of the Credit Agreement, the undersigned hereby certifies that (i) it is the sole record and beneficial owner of the Loan(s) (as well as any Note(s) evidencing such Loan(s)) in respect of which it is providing this certificate, (ii) it is not a bank within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, (iii) it is not a ten percent shareholder of a Borrower within the meaning of Section 871(h)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code and (iv) it is not a controlled foreign corporation related to a Borrower as described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The undersigned has furnished the Administrative Agent and the Company with a certificate of its non-U.S. Person status on IRS Form W-8BEN. By executing this certificate, the undersigned agrees that (1) if the information provided on this certificate changes, the undersigned shall promptly so inform the Company and the Administrative Agent, and (2) the undersigned shall have at all times furnished the Company and the Administrative Agent with a properly completed and currently effective certificate in either the calendar year in which each payment is to be made to the undersigned, or in either of the two calendar years preceding such payments.

Unless otherwise defined herein, terms defined in the Credit Agreement and used herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Credit Agreement.

[NAME OF LENDER]

By:	
Name:	
Title:	
Date:	

Exhibit 3.01-B

FORM OF U.S. TAX COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

(For Foreign Participants That Are Not Partnerships For U.S. Federal Income Tax Purposes)

Reference is hereby made to the Credit Agreement dated as of February 1, 2012 (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), among the Brady Corporation, a Wisconsin corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), the other Borrowers identified therein, the Guarantors identified therein, the Lenders identified therein and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer.

Pursuant to the provisions of <u>Section 3.01(e)</u> of the Credit Agreement, the undersigned hereby certifies that (i) it is the sole record and beneficial owner of the participation in respect of which it is providing this certificate, (ii) it is not a bank within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, (iii) it is not a ten percent shareholder of a Borrower within the meaning of Section 871(h)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, and (iv) it is not a controlled foreign corporation related to a Borrower as described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The undersigned has furnished its participating Lender with a certificate of its non-U.S. Person status on IRS Form W-8BEN. By executing this certificate, the undersigned agrees that (1) if the information provided on this certificate changes, the undersigned shall promptly so inform such Lender in writing, and (2) the undersigned shall have at all times furnished such Lender with a properly completed and currently effective certificate in either the calendar year in which each payment is to be made to the undersigned, or in either of the two calendar years preceding such payments.

Unless otherwise defined herein, terms defined in the Credit Agreement and used herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Credit Agreement.

[NAME OF PARTICIPANT]

By:	
Name:	
Title:	
Date:	

Exhibit 3.01-C

FORM OF U.S. TAX COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

(For Foreign Participants That Are Partnerships For U.S. Federal Income Tax Purposes)

Reference is hereby made to the Credit Agreement dated as of February 1, 2012 (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), among Brady Corporation, a Wisconsin corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), the other Borrowers identified therein, the Guarantors identified therein, the Lenders identified therein and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.01(e) of the Credit Agreement, the undersigned hereby certifies that (i) it is the sole record owner of the participation in respect of which it is providing this certificate, (ii) its direct or indirect partners/members are the sole beneficial owners of such participation, (iii) with respect such participation, neither the undersigned nor any of its direct or indirect partners/members is a bank extending credit pursuant to a loan agreement entered into in the ordinary course of its trade or business within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, (iv) none of its direct or indirect partners/members is a ten percent shareholder of a Borrower within the meaning of Section 871(h)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code and (v) none of its direct or indirect partners/members is a controlled foreign corporation related to a Borrower as described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The undersigned has furnished its participating Lender with IRS Form W-8IMY accompanied by one of the following forms from each of its partners/members that is claiming the portfolio interest exemption: (i) an IRS Form W-8BEN or (ii) an IRS Form W-8IMY accompanied by an IRS Form W-8BEN from each of such partner's/member's beneficial owners that is claiming the portfolio interest exemption. By executing this certificate, the undersigned agrees that (1) if the information provided on this certificate changes, the undersigned shall promptly so inform such Lender and (2) the undersigned shall have at all times furnished such Lender with a properly completed and currently effective certificate in either the calendar year in which each payment is to be made to the undersigned, or in either of the two calendar years preceding such payments.

Unless otherwise defined herein, terms defined in the Credit Agreement and used herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Credit Agreement.

[NAME OF PARTICIPANT]

By:		
Name:		
Title:		
Date:		

Exhibit 3.01-D

FORM OF U.S. TAX COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

(For Foreign Lenders That Are Partnerships For U.S. Federal Income Tax Purposes)

Reference is hereby made to the Credit Agreement dated as of February 1, 2012 (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), among Brady Corporation, a Wisconsin corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), the other Borrowers identified therein, the Guarantors identified therein, the Lenders identified therein and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer.

Pursuant to the provisions of <u>Section 3.01(e)</u> of the Credit Agreement, the undersigned hereby certifies that (i) it is the sole record owner of the Loan(s) (as well as any Note(s) evidencing such Loan(s)) in respect of which it is providing this certificate, (ii) its direct or indirect partners/members are the sole beneficial owners of such Loan(s) (as well as any Note(s) evidencing such Loan(s)), (iii) with respect to the extension of credit pursuant to this Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document, neither the undersigned nor any of its direct or indirect partners/members is a bank extending credit pursuant to a loan agreement entered into in the ordinary course of its trade or business within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, (iv) none of its direct or indirect partners/members is a ten percent shareholder of a Borrower within the meaning of Section 871(h)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code and (v) none of its direct or indirect partners/members is a controlled foreign corporation related to a Borrower as described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The undersigned has furnished the Administrative Agent and the Company with IRS Form W-8IMY accompanied by one of the following forms from each of its partners/members that is claiming the portfolio interest exemption: (i) an IRS Form W-8BEN or (ii) an IRS Form W-8IMY accompanied by an IRS Form W-8BEN from each of such partner's/member's beneficial owners that is claiming the portfolio interest exemption. By executing this certificate, the undersigned agrees that (1) if the information provided on this certificate changes, the undersigned shall promptly so inform the Company and the Administrative Agent, and (2) the undersigned shall have at all times furnished the Company and the Administrative Agent with a properly completed and currently effective certificate in either the calendar year in which each payment is to be made to the undersigned, or in either of the two calendar years preceding such payments.

Unless otherwise defined herein, terms defined in the Credit Agreement and used herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Credit Agreement.

[NAME OF LENDER]

By:	
Name:	
Title:	
Date:	

Exhibit 7.01

FORM OF COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

Financial Statement Date: , 20

To: Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent

Re: Credit Agreement (as amended, modified, supplemented and extended from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>") dated as of February 1, 2012 among Brady Corporation, a Wisconsin corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), the other Borrowers identified therein, the Guarantors identified therein, the Lenders identified therein and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings provided in the Credit Agreement.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned Responsible Officer hereby certifies as of the date hereof that [he/she] is the of the Company, and that, in [his/her] capacity as such, [he/she] is authorized to execute and deliver this Certificate to the Administrative Agent on the behalf of the Company, and that:

[Use following paragraph 1 for fiscal year-end financial statements:]

[1. Attached hereto as <u>Schedule 1</u> are the year-end audited financial statements required by <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> of the Credit Agreement for the Fiscal Year of the Company ended as of the above date, together with the report and statement of an independent certified public accountant required by such section.]

[Use following paragraph 1 for fiscal quarter-end financial statements:]

[1. Attached hereto as <u>Schedule 1</u> are the unaudited financial statements required by <u>Section 7.01(b)</u> of the Credit Agreement for the Fiscal Quarter of the Company ended as of the above date. Such financial statements fairly present the consolidated financial position and results of operations of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP as at such date and for such period, subject to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes.]

2. The undersigned has reviewed and is familiar with the terms of the Credit Agreement and has made, or has caused to be made, a detailed review of the transactions and condition (financial or otherwise) of the Company during the accounting period covered by the attached financial statements.

3. A review of the activities of the Company during such fiscal period has been made under the supervision of the undersigned with a view to determining whether during such fiscal period the Loan Parties performed and observed all their Obligations under the Loan Documents, and

[select one:]

[to the best knowledge of the undersigned during such fiscal period, the Loan Parties performed and observed each covenant and condition of the Loan Documents applicable to them.]

[or:]

[the following covenants or conditions have not been performed or observed and the following is a list of each such Default and its nature and status, including a description of the steps, if any, being taken to cure each such Default:]

4. The financial covenant analyses and information set forth on <u>Schedule 2</u> hereto are true and accurate on and as of the last day of the applicable Computation Period.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certificate as of , 20

BRADY CORPORATION, a Wisconsin corporation

By:

.

Name: Title:

Schedule 2 to Compliance Certificate Financial Covenant Calculations

I. <u>Consolidated Leverage Ratio — Section 7.06(a)</u>		
(a) Consolidated Funded Debt (as of the last day of the Computation Period)	\$	
(b) Consolidated EBITDA (for such Computation Period)		
(i) Consolidated Net Income	\$	
(ii) To the extent deducted or included in computing Consolidated Net Income, as applicable, and without duplication (all as		
determined in accordance with GAAP):	\$	
(A) + depreciation and amortization expense for such period	\$	
(B) + Consolidated Interest Expense for such period	\$	
(C) + income tax expense for such period	\$	
(D) + other non-cash charges for such period (excluding any write- down of current assets and any such non-cash charges to the		
extent that such charge represents an accrual of or reserve for a future cash payment)	\$	
(E) + acquisition-related restructuring charges and acquisition- related fees in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000		
during any twelve month period	\$	
(F) + non-cash losses realized in connection with a sale or other disposition of assets	\$	
(G) - non-cash income for such period (excluding any non-cash income to the extent that such income represents a receivable or		
asset for a future cash receipt)	\$	
(H) - non-cash gains realized in connection with a sale or other disposition of assets	\$ \$	
(iii) Consolidated EBITDA (for such Computation Period)		
(c) Consolidated Leverage Ratio: (a) / (b)(iii) =		$. : 1.00^{1}$
II. Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio — Section 7.06(b)		
(a) Consolidated EBITDA (for such Computation Period) (see (I)(b)(iii))	\$	
(b) Consolidated Interest Expense (for such Computation Period)		
(c) Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio: (a) / (b) =		. : 1.002
III. Consolidated Net Leverage Ratio — Section 7.01(c)		
(a) Consolidated Funded Debt (as of the last day of the Computation Period)	\$	
(b) Specified Cash (as of the last day of the Computation Period)	\$	
(c) Consolidated EBITDA (for such Computation Period) (see (I)(b)(iii))		
(d) Consolidated Net Leverage Ratio: ((a)-(b)) / (c) =	\$. : 1.00
¹ See <u>Section 7.06(a)</u> of the Credit Agreement.		

² Minimum permitted is 3.00 to 1.00, per <u>Section 7.06(b)</u> of the Credit Agreement.

Exhibit 7.16

FORM OF JOINDER AGREEMENT

THIS JOINDER AGREEMENT (the "<u>Agreement</u>") dated as of , 20 is by and between , a (the "<u>New Subsidiary</u>"), and Bank of America, N.A., in its capacity as Administrative Agent under that certain Credit Agreement (as amended, modified, supplemented and extended from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>") dated as of February 1, 2012 among Brady Corporation, a Wisconsin corporation ("<u>the Company</u>"), the other Borrowers identified therein, the Guarantors identified therein, the Lenders identified therein and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Credit Agreement.

The Loan Parties are required by <u>Section 7.16</u> of the Credit Agreement to cause the New Subsidiary to become a "Guarantor" thereunder. Accordingly, the New Subsidiary hereby agrees as follows with the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Lenders:

1. The New Subsidiary hereby acknowledges, agrees and confirms that, by its execution of this Agreement, the New Subsidiary will be deemed to be a party to the Credit Agreement and a "Guarantor" for all purposes of the Credit Agreement, and shall have all of the obligations of a Guarantor thereunder as if it had executed the Credit Agreement. The New Subsidiary hereby ratifies, as of the date hereof, and agrees to be bound by, all of the terms, provisions and conditions applicable to the Guarantors contained in the Credit Agreement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing terms of this paragraph 1, the New Subsidiary hereby, jointly and severally together with the other Guarantors, guarantees to each Lender and the Administrative Agent, as provided in Article IV of the Credit Agreement, the prompt payment of the Obligations in full when due (whether at stated maturity, as a mandatory prepayment, by acceleration or otherwise) strictly in accordance with the terms thereof.

2. The address of the New Subsidiary for purposes of all notices and other communications is the address designated for all Loan Parties on <u>Schedule 11.02</u> or such other address as the New Subsidiary may from time to time notify the Administrative Agent in writing.

3. The New Subsidiary hereby waives acceptance by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders of the guaranty by the New Subsidiary under Article IV of the Credit Agreement upon the execution of this Agreement by the New Subsidiary.

4. This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original but all of which when taken together shall constitute one contract.

5. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the New Subsidiary has caused this Joinder Agreement to be duly executed by its authorized officer, and the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Lenders, has caused the same to be accepted by its authorized officer, as of the day and year first above written.

[NEW SUBSIDIARY]

By: Name: Title:

Acknowledged and accepted:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as Administrative Agent

By: Name:

Title:

Exhibit 11.06(b)

FORM OF ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION

This Assignment and Assumption (this "<u>Assignment and Assumption</u>") is dated as of the Effective Date set forth below and is entered into by and between [Insert name of Assignor] (the "<u>Assignor</u>") and [Insert name of Assignee] (the "<u>Assignee</u>"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings provided in the Credit Agreement identified below (as amended, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), receipt of a copy of which is hereby acknowledged by the Assignee. The Standard Terms and Conditions set forth in Annex 1 attached hereto are hereby agreed to and incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Assignment and Assumption as if set forth herein in full.

For an agreed consideration, the Assignor hereby irrevocably sells and assigns to the Assignee, and the Assignee hereby irrevocably purchases and assumes from the Assignor, subject to and in accordance with the Standard Terms and Conditions and the Credit Agreement, as of the Effective Date inserted by the Administrative Agent as contemplated below (i) all of the Assignor's rights and obligations as a Lender under the Credit Agreement and any other documents or instruments delivered pursuant thereto in the amounts and equal to the percentage interests identified below of such outstanding rights and obligations under the respective facilities identified below (including, without limitation, Letters of Credit, Guarantees and Swing Line Loans included in such facilities) and (ii) to the extent permitted to be assigned under applicable law, all claims, suits, causes of action and any other right of the Assignor (in its capacity as a Lender) against any Person, whether known or unknown, arising under or in connection with the Credit Agreement, any other documents or instruments delivered pursuant thereto or the loan transactions governed thereby or in any way based on or related to any of the foregoing, including, but not limited to, contract claims, tort claims, malpractice claims, statutory claims and all other claims at law or in equity related to the rights and obligations sold and assigned pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) above being referred to herein collectively as, the "<u>Assigned Interest</u>"). Such sale and assignment is without recourse to the Assignor and, except as expressly provided in this Assignment and Assumption, without representation or warranty by the Assignor.

1. Assignor:

		Assignor [is] [is not] a Defaulting Lender.
2.	Assignee:	[and is an Affiliate/Approved Fund of [identify Lender]]
3.	Company:	Brady Corporation, a Wisconsin corporation
4.	Administrative Agent:	Bank of America, N.A., as the Administrative Agent under the Credit Agreement
5.	Credit Agreement:	Credit Agreement dated as of February 1, 2012 by and among the Company, the other Borrowers party thereto, the Guarantors identified therein, the Lenders parties thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer.

6. Assigned Interest:

	Aggregate Amount of		
	Commitments of all	Amount of	Percentage of
Facility Assigned	Lenders	Commitment Assigned	Commitment Assigned
Revolving Commitment			
7. Trade Date: ¹			
8. Effective Date: ²			
The terms set forth in this Assignmen	nt and Assumption are hereby agreed to:		
ASSIGNOR:		[NAME OF ASSIGNOR]	
		By:	
		Name:	
		Title:	
ASSIGNEE:		[NAME OF ASSIGNEE]	
		By:	
		Name:	
		Title:	
[Consented to and] ³ Accepted:			
BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as Adn	ninistrative Agent		
By:			
Name:			
Title:			
[Consented to:] ⁴			
BRADY CORPORATION			
By:			
Name:			
Title:			

¹ To be completed if the Assignor and the Assignee intend that the minimum assignment amount is to be determined as of the Trade Date.

² To be inserted by Administrative Agent and shall be the effective date of recordation of transfer in the register therefor.

³ To be added only if the consent of the Administrative Agent is required by the terms of the Credit Agreement.

⁴ To be added only if the consent of the Company is required by the terms of the Credit Agreement.

Annex 1 to Assignment and Assumption

STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. <u>Representations and Warranties</u>

1.1. <u>Assignor</u>. The Assignor (a) represents and warrants that (i) it is the legal and beneficial owner of the Assigned Interest, (ii) the Assigned Interest is free and clear of any lien, encumbrance or other adverse claim (iii) it has full power and authority, and has taken all action necessary, to execute and deliver this Assignment and Assumption and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby, and (iv) it is **[not]** a Defaulting Lender; and (b) assumes no responsibility with respect to (i) any statements, warranties or representations made in or in connection with the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document, (ii) the execution, legality, validity, enforceability, genuineness, sufficiency or value of the Loan Documents or any collateral thereunder, (iii) the financial condition of the Borrowers, any of their Subsidiaries or Affiliates or any other Person obligated in respect to of any Loan Document.

1.2. Assignee. The Assignee (a) represents and warrants that (i) it has full power and authority, and has taken all action necessary, to execute and deliver this Assignment and Assumption and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and to become a Lender under the Credit Agreement, (ii) it meets the requirements to be an assignee under Section 11.06(b)(iii), (v) and (vii) of the Credit Agreement (subject to such consents, if any, as may be required under Section 11.06(b)(iii) of the Credit Agreement), (iii) from and after the Effective Date, it shall be bound by the provisions of the Credit Agreement as a Lender thereunder and, to the extent of the Assigned Interest, shall have the obligations of a Lender thereunder, (iv) it is sophisticated with respect to decisions to acquire assets of the type represented by the Assigned Interest and either it, or the Person exercising discretion in making its decision to acquire the Assigned Interest, is experienced in acquiring assets of such type, (v) it has received a copy of the Credit Agreement, and has received or has been accorded the opportunity to receive copies of the most recent financial statements delivered pursuant to Section 7.01 thereof, as applicable, and such other documents and information as it deems appropriate to make its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Assignment and Assumption and to purchase the Assigned Interest, (vi) it has, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Assignment and Assumption and to purchase the Assigned Interest, and (vii) if it is a Foreign Lender, attached hereto is any documentation required to be delivered by it pursuant to the terms of the Credit Agreement, duly completed and executed by the Assignee; and (b) agrees that (i) it will, independently and without reliance on the Administrative Agent, the Assignor or any other Lender, and based on such documents and information as it shall deem appropriate at the time, continue to make its own credit decisions in taking or not taking action under the Loan Documents, and (ii) it will perform in accordance with their terms all of the obligations which by the terms of the Loan Documents are required to be performed by it as a Lender.

2. <u>Payments</u>. From and after the Effective Date, the Administrative Agent shall make all payments in respect of the Assigned Interest (including payments of principal, interest, fees and other amounts) to the Assignor for amounts which have accrued to but excluding the Effective Date and to the Assignee for amounts which have accrued from and after the Effective Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Administrative Agent shall make all payments of interest, fees or other amounts paid or payable in kind in respect of the Assigned Interest from and after the Effective Date to the Assignee.

^{3. &}lt;u>General Provisions</u>. This Assignment and Assumption shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. This Assignment and Assumption may be executed in any number of counterparts, which together shall constitute one instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Assignment and Assumption by telecopy shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Assignment and Assumption. This Assignment and Assumption shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of Illinois.

Brady Corporation Enters into New Credit Agreement

MILWAUKEE (February 1, 2012)—Brady Corporation (NYSE: BRC), a world leader in identification solutions, announced that on February 1, 2012, it entered into an unsecured \$300,000,000 revolving credit agreement with a group of six banks, that replaced and terminated its previous \$200,000,000 revolving credit agreement that had been entered into on October 5, 2006 and amended on March 18, 2008. No fees were paid for terminating the previous credit agreement prior to its expiration date.

Under the new credit agreement, which has a final maturity date of February 1, 2017, Brady has the option to select either a base interest rate (based upon the higher of the federal funds rate plus one-half of 1 percent or the prime rate of Bank of America plus a margin based on Brady's consolidated leverage ratio) or a Eurocurrency interest rate (at the LIBOR rate plus a margin based on Brady's consolidated leverage ratio).

The new credit agreement is guaranteed by Brady's domestic subsidiaries and contains various financial covenants, including a debt-to-EBITDA ratio of 3.25-to-1.0 and an interest coverage ratio of 3.0-to-1.0. A commitment fee is payable on the unused amount of the credit facility. Brady intends to use the flexibility provided by the new agreement to fund future acquisitions, to refinance existing debt, and for general corporate purposes.

Brady Corporation is an international manufacturer and marketer of complete solutions that identify and protect premises, products and people. Brady's products help customers increase safety, security, productivity and performance and include high-performance labels and signs, safety devices, printing systems and software, and precision die-cut materials. Founded in 1914, the Company has millions of customers in electronics, telecommunications, manufacturing, electrical, construction, education, medical and a variety of other industries. Brady is headquartered in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and, as of July 31, 2011 employed approximately 6,500 people at operations in the Americas, Europe and Asia-Pacific. Brady's fiscal 2011 sales were approximately \$1.34 billion. Brady stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol BRC. More information is available on the Internet at www.bradycorp.com.

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Brady believes that certain statements in this news release are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements related to future, not past, events included in this news release, including, without limitation, statements regarding Brady's future financial position, business strategy, targets, projected sales, costs, earnings, capital expenditures, debt levels and cash flows, and plans and objectives of management for future operations are forward-looking statements. When used in this news release, words such as "may," "will," "expect," "intend," "estimate," "anticipate," "believe," "should," "project" or "plan" or similar terminology are generally intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements by their nature address matters that are, to different degrees, uncertain and are subject to risks, assumptions and other factors, some of which are beyond Brady's control, that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. For Brady, uncertainties arise from the length or severity of the current worldwide economic downturn or timing or strength of a subsequent recovery; future financial performance of major markets Brady serves, which include, without limitation, telecommunications, manufacturing, electrical, construction, laboratory, education, governmental, public utility, computer, transportation; difficulties in making and integrating acquisitions; risks

associated with newly acquired businesses; Brady's ability to develop and successfully market new products; changes in the supply of, or price for, parts and components; increased price pressure from suppliers and customers; fluctuations in currency rates versus the US dollar; unforeseen tax consequences; potential write-offs of Brady's substantial intangible assets; Brady's ability to retain significant contracts and customers; risks associated with international operations; Brady's ability to maintain compliance with its debt covenants; technology changes; business interruptions due to implementing business systems; environmental, health and safety compliance costs and liabilities; future competition; interruptions to sources of supply; Brady's ability to realize cost savings from operating initiatives; difficulties associated with exports; risks associated with restructuring plans; risks associated with obtaining governmental approvals and maintaining regulatory compliance; and numerous other matters of national, regional and global scale, including those of a political, economic, business, competitive and regulatory nature contained from time to time in Brady's U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission filings, including, but not limited to, those factors listed in the "Risk Factors" section located in Item 1A of Part I of Brady's Form 10-K for the year ended July 31, 2011. These uncertainties may cause Brady's actual future results to be materially different than those expressed in its forward-looking statements. Brady does not undertake to update its forward-looking statements.