UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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): May 12, 2016

EQUIFAX INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Georgia (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-6605 (Commission File Number) 58-0401110 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1550 Peachtree Street, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

30309 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (404) 885-8000

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Item 8.01. Other Events.

Public Offering of Senior Notes Due 2021 and Senior Notes Due 2026

On May 5, 2016, Equifax Inc. (the "Company") executed an Underwriting Agreement with J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as the representatives of the underwriters named therein, with regard to the issuance and sale by the Company of \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's 2.300% Senior Notes due 2021 (the "2021 Notes") and \$275,000,000 principal amount of the Company's 3.250% Senior Notes due 2026 (the "2026 Notes" and together with the 2021 Notes, the "Notes"). The Notes are issued pursuant to an Indenture dated as of May 12, 2016 between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee (the "Indenture"), as supplemented by each of: (i) a First Supplemental Indenture relating to the 2021 Notes and dated as of May 12, 2016; and (ii) a Second Supplemental Indenture relating to the 2026 Notes and dated as of May 12, 2016.

The following documents are being filed with this Current Report on Form 8-K and are incorporated by reference into the Company's effective Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-210962) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 27, 2016: (i) the Underwriting Agreement, filed as Exhibit 1.1 hereto; (ii) the Indenture, filed as Exhibit 4.1 hereto; (iii) the First Supplemental Indenture between the Company and the Trustee, including the form of 2021 Note as Exhibit 4, filed as Exhibit 4.2 hereto; (iv) the Second Supplemental Indenture between the Company and the Trustee, including the form of 2026 Note as Exhibit 4, filed as Exhibit 4.3 hereto; and (v) the opinion of counsel addressing the validity of the Notes, filed as Exhibit 5.1 hereto.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The agreements filed as exhibits to this report have been attached to provide investors and security holders with information regarding their terms and are not intended to provide any factual information about the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates. The representations, warranties and covenants in the agreements filed herewith were made only for the purpose of such agreements and solely for the benefit of the parties to such agreements as of the specific dates set forth therein. Such representations and warranties were made for the purposes of allocating contractual risk between the parties to such agreements and should not be relied upon by investors as a disclosure of factual information relating to the Company as such representations and warranties may or may not have been accurate as of any specific date, and may be subject to important limitations and qualifications and may therefore not be complete. The representations, warranties and covenants in the agreements filed herewith may also be subject to standards of materiality applicable to the contracting parties that may differ from those applicable to investors. Investors should not rely on the representations, warranties or covenants or any descriptions thereof as characterizations of the actual state of facts or condition of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates. Moreover, information concerning the subject matter of the representations, warranties and covenants may change after the date of each agreement filed herewith, which subsequent information may or may not be fully reflected in the Company's public disclosures.

(d) Exhibits

- 1.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated as of May 5, 2016, by and among Equifax Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as the representatives of the underwriters named therein (filed herewith).
- 4.1 Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016, between Equifax Inc. and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee (filed herewith).
- 4.2 First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016, between Equifax Inc. and the Trustee, including the form of 2021 Note as Exhibit A (filed herewith).
- 4.3 Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016, between Equifax Inc. and the Trustee, including the form of 2026 Note as Exhibit A (filed herewith).
- 5.1 Opinion of King & Spalding LLP (filed herewith).
- 23.1 Consent of King & Spalding LLP (contained in Exhibit 5.1 filed herewith).

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.

EQUIFAX INC.

By:	/s/ John J. Kelley III

 Name:
 John J. Kelley III

 Title:
 Corporate Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

Date: May 12, 2016

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Description

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Exhibit No.

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Underwriting Agreement

May 5, 2016

J.P. Morgan Securities LLC 383 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10179

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated One Bryant Park New York, New York 10036

Wells Fargo Securities, LLC 550 South Tryon Street Charlotte, NC 28202

As Representatives of the several Underwriters

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Introductory. Equifax Inc., a Georgia corporation (the "Company"), proposes, subject to the terms and conditions stated herein, to issue and sell to the several underwriters named in <u>Schedule A</u> (the "Underwriters"), acting severally and not jointly, the respective amounts set forth in such<u>Schedule A</u> of \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's 2.300% Senior Notes due 2021 (the "2021 Securities") and \$275,000,000 principal amount of the Company's 3.250% Senior Notes due 2026 (the "2026 Securities" and, together with the 2021 Securities, the "Securities"). J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC have agreed to act as representatives of the several Underwriters (in such capacity, the "Representatives") in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities.

The Securities will be issued pursuant to, and will form a separate series of senior debt securities under, an indenture, to be dated as of May 12, 2016 (the "Base Indenture"), between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as indenture trustee (the "Trustee"). Certain terms of the Securities will be established pursuant to a supplemental indenture (the "Supplemental Indenture") to the Base Indenture (together with the Base Indenture, the "Indenture"). The Securities will be issued in book-entry form in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company (the "Depository").

The Company has prepared and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-210962), which contains a base prospectus (the "Base Prospectus"), to be used in connection with the public offering and sale of senior debt securities, including the Securities, of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (collectively, the "Securities Act"), and the offering thereof from time to time in accordance with Rule 415 under the Securities Act. Such registration statement, including the financial statements, exhibits and schedules thereto, in the form in which it became effective under the

Securities Act, including any required information deemed to be a part thereof at the time of effectiveness pursuant to Rule 430B under the Securities Act, is called the "Registration Statement." The term "Prospectus" shall mean the final prospectus supplement relating to the Securities, together with the Base Prospectus, that is first filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) after the date and time that this Agreement is executed (the "Execution Time") by the parties hereto. The term "Preliminary Prospectus" shall mean any preliminary prospectus supplement relating to the Securities, together with the Base Prospectus, that is first filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b). Any reference herein to the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the documents that are or are deemed to be incorporated by reference therein pursuant to Item 12 of Form S-3 under the Securities Act prior to 3:15 p.m. on May 5, 2016 (the "Initial Sale Time"). All references in this Agreement to the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, or any amendments or supplements to any of the foregoing, shall include any copy thereof filed with the Commission pursuant to its Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval System ("EDGAR").

All references in this Agreement to financial statements and schedules and other information which is "contained," "included," "described," or "stated" in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Preliminary Prospectus (or other references of like import) shall be deemed to mean and include all such financial statements and schedules and other information which are or are deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Preliminary Prospectus, as the case may be, prior to the Initial Sale Time; and all references in this Agreement to amendments or supplements to the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Preliminary Prospectus shall be deemed to mean and include the filing of any document under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder (collectively, the "Exchange Act"), which is incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, as the case may be, after the Initial Sale Time.

The Company hereby confirms its agreements with the Underwriters as follows:

SECTION 1. <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. The Company hereby represents, warrants and covenants to each Underwriter as of the date hereof, as of the Initial Sale Time and as of the Closing Date (in each case, a "Representation Date") and agrees with each of the Underwriters as follows:

(a) <u>Compliance with Registration Requirements</u>. The Company meets the requirements for use of Form S-3 under the Securities Act. The Registration Statement has become effective under the Securities Act and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued under the Securities Act and no proceedings for that purpose have been instituted or are pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, are threatened by the Commission, and any request on the part of the Commission for additional information has been complied with. In addition, the Indenture has been duly qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (the "Trust Indenture Act").

At the respective times the Registration Statement and any post-effective amendments thereto became effective and at each Representation Date, the Registration

Statement and any amendments thereto (i) complied and will comply in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act, and (ii) did not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; provided, however, that, with respect to clause (ii) hereof, the Company makes no representations or warranties as to those parts of the Registration Statement which shall constitute Statements of Eligibility and Qualification on Form T-1 (the "Form T-1") under the Trust Indenture Act. At the date of the Prospectus and at the Closing Date, neither the Prospectus nor any amendments or supplements thereto included or will include an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or will omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the representations and warranties in this subsection shall not apply to statements in or omissions from the Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment or the Prospectus or any amendments or supplements thereto made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished to the Company in writing by any of the Underwriters through the Representatives expressly for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter through the Representatives consists of the information described as such in Section 8 hereof.

Each Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus, at the time each was filed with the Commission, complied in all material respects with the Securities Act, and the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus delivered to the Underwriters for use in connection with the offering of the Securities will, at the time of such delivery, be identical to any electronically transmitted copies thereof filed with the Commission pursuant to EDGAR, except to the extent permitted by Regulation S-T.

(b) <u>Disclosure Package</u>. The term "Disclosure Package" shall mean (i) the Preliminary Prospectus dated May 5, 2016, (ii) the issuer free writing prospectuses as defined in Rule 433 of the Securities Act (each, an "Issuer Free Writing Prospectus"), if any, identified in <u>Annex I</u> hereto and (iii) any other free writing prospectus that the parties hereto shall hereafter expressly agree in writing to treat as part of the Disclosure Package and identified in <u>Annex II</u> hereto. As of the Initial Sale Time, the Disclosure Package did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The preceding sentence does not apply to statements in or omissions from the Disclosure Package based upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter through the Representatives consists of the information described as such in Section 8 hereof.

(c) Incorporated Documents. The documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus (collectively, the "Incorporated Documents") (i) at the time they were or hereafter are filed with the Commission complied and will comply, as the case may be, as of their respective dates of filing, in all material respects with the requirements of the

Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (the "Exchange Act Regulations") and (ii) when read together with the other information in the Disclosure Package, at the Initial Sale Time, and when read together with the other information in the Prospectus, at the date of the Prospectus and at the Closing Date, did not or will not include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

(d) <u>Company is a Well-Known Seasoned Issuer</u>. (i) At the time of filing the Registration Statement, (ii) at the time of the most recent amendment thereto for the purposes of complying with Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act (whether such amendment was by post-effective amendment, incorporated report filed pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act or form of prospectus), (iii) at the time the Company or any person acting on its behalf (within the meaning, for this clause only, of Rule 163(c) of the Securities Act) made any offer relating to the Securities in reliance on the exemption of Rule 163 of the Securities Act, and (iv) as of the Execution Time, the Company was and is a "well known seasoned issuer" as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. The Registration Statement is an "automatic shelf registration statement," as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act, that automatically became effective nore than three years prior to the Execution Time; the Company has not received from the Commission any notice pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) of the Securities Act objecting to use of the automatic shelf registration statement form and the Company has not otherwise ceased to be eligible to use the automatic shelf registration form.

(e) <u>Company is not an Ineligible Issuer</u>. (i) At the time of filing the Registration Statement and (ii) as of the Execution Time (with such date being used as the determination date for purposes of this clause (ii)), the Company was not and is not an Ineligible Issuer (as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act), without taking account of any determination by the Commission pursuant to Rule 405 of the Securities Act that it is not necessary that the Company be considered an Ineligible Issuer.

(f) <u>Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses</u> Each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, as of its issue date and at all subsequent times through the completion of the offering of Securities under this Agreement or until any earlier date that the Company notified or notifies the Representatives as described in the next sentence, did not, does not and will not include any information that conflicted, conflicts or will conflict with the information contained in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus. If at any time following issuance of an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus there occurred or occurs an event or development as a result of which such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus conflicted or would conflict with the information contained in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus the Company has promptly notified or will promptly notify the Representatives and has promptly amended or supplemented or will promptly amend or supplement, at its own expense, such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus to eliminate or correct such conflict. The foregoing two sentences do not apply to statements in or omissions from any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus based upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter through the Representatives consists of the information described as such in Section 8 hereof.

(g) <u>Distribution of Offering Material By the Company</u>. The Company has not distributed and will not distribute, prior to the later of the Closing Date and the completion of the Underwriters' distribution of the Securities, any offering material in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities other than the Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus reviewed and consented to by the Representatives and included in <u>Annex I</u> or <u>Annex II</u> hereto or the Registration Statement.

(h) The Underwriting Agreement. This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company.

(i) <u>Authorization of the Securities</u>. The Securities to be purchased by the Underwriters from the Company have been duly authorized by the Company and, when duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as provided in the Indenture and paid for as provided herein, will be duly and validly issued and outstanding and will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Company, enforceable in accordance with their terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equitable principles, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.

(j) <u>Authorization of the Base Indenture</u>. The Base Indenture has been duly authorized and, at the Closing Date, will have been duly executed and delivered by the Company, and assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the Trustee, constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equitable principles.

(k) <u>Authorization of the Supplemental Indenture</u>. The Supplemental Indenture has been duly authorized by the Company and, at the Closing Date, will have been duly executed and delivered by the Company, and assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the Trustee will constitute a valid and binding agreement of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equitable principles.

(1) Description of the Securities and the Indenture. The Securities and the Indenture conform in all material respects to the respective descriptions thereof contained in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus.

(m) <u>No Material Adverse Change</u>. Except as otherwise disclosed in the Disclosure Package, subsequent to the respective dates as of which information is given in the Disclosure Package: (i) there has been no material adverse change, or any development that would be reasonably likely to have a material adverse change, in the condition, financial or otherwise, or in the earnings, business, or operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, considered as one entity (any such change is called a "Material Adverse Change"); and (ii) none of the Company or any of its subsidiaries has entered into any transaction or agreement, in each case, outside the ordinary course of business, that is material to the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole or incurred any liability or obligation, indirect, direct or contingent, that is material to the Company and its subsidiaries, considered as one entity.

(n) Independent Accountants for the Company. Ernst & Young LLP, who have expressed their opinion with respect to the audited financial statements of the Company for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015 and supporting schedules filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus, are independent public or certified public accountants with respect to the Company within the meaning of Regulation S-X under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and are a registered public accounting firm with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board.

(o) <u>Independent Auditors for Veda Group Limited</u> KPMG, who have expressed their opinion with respect to certain financial statements of Veda Group Limited filed by the Company with the Commission and incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus, are independent auditors with respect to Veda Group Limited as of April 12, 2016 and during the period covered by the certain financial statements on which they reported, under rule 101 of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("AICPA") Code of Professional Conduct and its interpretations and rulings.

(p) Preparation of the Financial Statements. The financial statements, together with the related schedules and notes of the Company, included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus present fairly the consolidated financial position of the Company and its subsidiaries, as of and at the dates indicated and the results of their operations and cash flows for the periods specified. Such financial statements comply as to form with the accounting requirements of the Securities Act and have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied in the United States ("GAAP") applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved, except as may be expressly stated in the related notes thereto. The pro forma financial information and the related notes thereto included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus has been prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidance with respect to pro forma financial information are, reasonable and are set forth in each of the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus. The interactive data in extensible Business Reporting Language included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement fairly presents the information called for in all material respects and has been prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines applicable thereto.

(q) <u>Financial Statements of Veda Group Limited</u> To the knowledge of the Company, the historical financial statements of Veda Group Limited, together with the related notes thereto, included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus fairly present the financial position of Veda Group Limited as of and at the dates indicated and the results of operations and cash flows of Veda Group Limited for the periods specified, in each case in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved, except as may be expressly stated in the related notes thereto.

(r) Incorporation and Good Standing of the Company and its Subsidiaries. The Company has been duly incorporated, is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation, has corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and to enter into and perform its obligations under each of this Agreement, the Securities, and the Indenture. Each significant subsidiary of the Company has been duly incorporated, is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation, has corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business in all material respects as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus. Each of the Company and each significant subsidiary is duly qualified as a foreign corporation to transact business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is required, whether by reason of the ownership or leasing of property or the conduct of business, except for such jurisdictions where the failure to so qualify or to be in good standing would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the condition, financial or otherwise, or on the earnings, business, or operations of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole, the consummation of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of each significant subsidiary of the Company have been duly authorized and validly issued, are fully paid and non-assessable and are owned by the Company, directly or through subsidiaries, free and clear of any security interest, mortgage, pledge, lien, encumbrance or claim. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "significant subsidiary" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

(s) <u>Capitalization and Other Capital Stock Matters</u>. The authorized, issued and outstanding capital stock of the Company is as set forth in the column entitled "Actual" under the caption "Capitalization" in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus as of the date set forth therein (other than for subsequent issuances of capital stock, if any, pursuant to existing reservations, agreements or employee benefit plans or upon exercise of outstanding options). All of the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock (the "Common Stock") have been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and non-assessable.

(t) Non-Contravention of Existing Instruments; No Further Authorizations or Approvals Required Neither the Company nor any of its significant subsidiaries is in violation of its charter or by-laws or is in default (or, with the giving of notice or lapse of time, would be in default) ("Default") under any indenture, mortgage, loan or credit agreement, note, contract, franchise, lease or other instrument to which the Company or any of its significant subsidiaries is a party or by which it or any of them may be bound (including, without limitation, the Company's Credit Agreement dated as of November 21, 2015, 364-Day Credit Agreement dated as of November 21, 2015, 6.30% Senior Notes due 2017, 3.30% Senior Notes due 2022, 6.90% Debentures due July 2028 and 7.00% Senior Notes due 2037), or to which any of the property or assets of the Company or any of its significant subsidiaries is subject (each, an "Existing Instrument"), except for such Defaults as would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect. The Company's execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Base Indenture and the Supplemental Indenture, and the issuance and delivery of the Securities, and consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and by the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action and (i) will not result in any violation of the provisions of the charter or by-laws of the Company or any significant subsidiary, (ii) will not conflict with or constitute a breach of, or Default under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Company or any of its significant subsidiaries pursuant to, or require the consent of any other party to, any Existing Instrument, and (iii) will not result in any violation of any law, administrative regulation or administrative or court decree applicable to the Company or any significant subsidiary, except, in each case, for such violations, conflicts, breaches, Defaults, liens, charges or encumbrances as would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect, and except for such consents the failure of which to obtain would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect. No consent, approval, authorization or other order of, or registration or filing with, any court or other governmental or regulatory authority or agency, is required for the Company's execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Base Indenture or the Supplemental Indenture, and the issuance and delivery of the Securities, or consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and by the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, except such as may be required under applicable state securities or blue sky laws and from the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") in connection with the purchase and resale of the Securities by the Underwriters.

(u) <u>No Material Actions or Proceedings</u>. Except as described or incorporated by reference in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, there are no legal or governmental actions, suits or proceedings pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened (i) against or affecting the Company or any of its subsidiaries, or (ii) which has as the subject thereof any property owned by the Company or any of its subsidiaries, where in any such case there is a reasonable possibility that such action, suit or proceeding might be determined adversely to the Company or such subsidiary and any such action, suit or proceeding, if so determined adversely, would be reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect. No material labor dispute with the employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries exists or, to the Company's knowledge, is threatened or imminent, that, individually or in the aggregate, would have a Material Adverse Effect.

(v) Intellectual Property Rights. The Company and its subsidiaries own license, or possess the trademarks, trade names, patent rights, copyrights, licenses, approvals, trade secrets and other similar rights (collectively, "Intellectual Property Rights") reasonably necessary to conduct their businesses as now conducted by them, except such as to which the failure to so own, license, or possess would not have a Material Adverse Effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has received any written notice of infringement or conflict with asserted Intellectual Property Rights of others, which infringement or conflict, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, finding or ruling, would have a Material Adverse Effect.

(w) <u>All Necessary Permits, Etc</u>. The Company and each subsidiary possess such valid certificates, authorizations or permits issued by the appropriate state, federal or foreign regulatory agencies or bodies necessary to conduct their respective businesses, except those the failure of which to possess would not have a Material Adverse Effect. Neither the Company nor any subsidiary has received any written notice of proceedings relating to the revocation or modification of, or non-compliance with, any such certificate, authorization or permit which, individually or in the aggregate, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding, would have a Material Adverse Effect.

(x) <u>Tax Law Compliance</u>. All material federal, state and foreign income and franchise tax returns required to be filed by the Company and any of its subsidiaries have been filed, other than those filings being contested in good faith for which an extension has been requested, and all material taxes required to be paid by any of them and, if due and payable, any related or similar assessment, fine or penalty levied against any of them, have been paid, other than those taxes which are being contested in good faith or the nonpayment of which could not have a Material Adverse Effect. The Company has made adequate charges, accruals and reserves in the applicable financial statements referred to in Section 1(p) above in respect of all federal, state and foreign income and franchise taxes for all periods as to which the tax liability of the Company or any of its consolidated subsidiaries has not been finally determined.

(y) <u>Company Not an "Investment Company</u>". The Company is not, and after receipt of payment for the Securities and the application of the proceeds thereof as described under the caption "Use of Proceeds" in the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus will not be, an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the "Investment Company Act").

(z) No Price Stabilization or Manipulation. The Company has not taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that would be reasonably likely to cause or result in stabilization or manipulation of the price of the Securities.

(aa) <u>Company's Accounting System</u>. The Company and its subsidiaries maintain effective internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act.

(bb) Internal Controls and Procedures. The Company maintains a system of accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurances that: (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP and to maintain accountability for assets; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences; and (v) interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the Disclosure Package is prepared in accordance with the Commission's rules and guidelines applicable thereto.

(cc) <u>No Material Weaknesses in Internal Controls</u>. Since the end of the Company's most recent audited fiscal year, there has been (i) no material weakness in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (whether or not remediated) identified and (ii) no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

(dd) <u>Sarbanes-Oxley Compliance</u>. There is and has been no failure on the part of the Company and, to the Company's knowledge, any of the Company's directors or officers, in their capacities as such, to comply with any provision of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules and regulations promulgated in connection therewith (the "Sarbanes-Oxley Act"), including Section 402 related to loans and Sections 302 and 906 related to certifications.

(ee) No Unlawful Contributions or Other Payments. None of the Company, any of its subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, employee, agent, affiliate or other person acting on behalf of the Company or any of its subsidiaries has (i) used any funds for any unlawful contribution, gift, entertainment or other unlawful expense relating to political activity; (ii) made or taken an act in furtherance of an offer, promise or authorization of any direct or indirect unlawful payment or benefit to any foreign or domestic government or regulatory official or employee, including of any government-owned or controlled entity or of a public international organization, or any person acting in an official capacity for or on behalf of any of the foregoing, or any political party or party official or candidate for political office; (iii) violated or is in violation of any provision of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, or any applicable law or regulation implementing the OECD Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions, or committed an offence under the Bribery Act 2010 of the United Kingdom, or any other applicable anti-bribery or anti-corruption laws; or (iv) made, offered, agreed, requested or taken an act in furtherance of any unlawful bribe or other unlawful benefit, including, without limitation, any rebate, payoff, influence payment, kickback or other unlawful or improper payment or benefit. The Company and its subsidiaries have instituted, maintain and enforce, and will continue to maintain and enforce policies and procedures designed to promote and ensure compliance with all applicable anti-bribery and anti-corruption laws.

(ff) <u>Compliance with Anti-Money Laundering Laws</u>. The operations of the Company and its subsidiaries are and have been conducted at all times in compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements, including those of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the applicable money laundering statutes of all jurisdictions where the Company or any of its subsidiaries conducts business, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any governmental or regulatory agency (collectively, the "Anti-Money Laundering Laws"), and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental or regulatory agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries with respect to the Anti-Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened.

(gg) No Conflict with OFAC Laws. Neither the Company or any of its subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, employee, agent, affiliate or other person acting on behalf of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is currently the subject or the target of any sanctions administered or enforced by the U.S. government (including, without limitation, the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of Treasury ("OFAC") or the U.S. Department of State and including, without limitation, the designation as a "specially designated national" or "blocked person"), the United Nations Security Council ("UNSC"), the European Union, Her Majesty's Treasury ("HMT") or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively, "Sanctions"), nor is the Company, any of its subsidiaries located, organized or resident in a country or territory that is the subject or target of Sanctions, including, without limitation, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Sudan, Syria and the Ukraine region of Crimea (each, a "Sanctioned Country"); and the Company will not directly or indirectly use the proceeds of the offering of the Sucieta of business with any person that, at the time of such funding or facilitation, is the subject or target of Sanctions, (ii) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business with any person that, at the time of the dealing or transaction is or was the subject or the regaged in and are not now knowingly engaged in any dealings or transactions with any person that at the time of the dealing or transaction is or was the subject or the target of Sanctions or with any Sanctioned Country.

(hh) <u>Compliance with Environmental Laws</u>. Except as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, the Company (i) is in compliance with all laws and permits relating to the protection of human health and safety, the environmental or hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants (collectively, "Environmental Laws"), and (ii) has received all permits required of it under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their respective businesses, except where such noncompliance or such failure to receive required permits would not have a Material Adverse Effect.

(ii) <u>ERISA Compliance</u>. The Company and its subsidiaries and any "employee benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(3) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and the regulations and published interpretations thereunder (collectively, "ERISA")) established or maintained by the Company, its subsidiaries or their "ERISA Affiliates" (as defined below) are in compliance in all material respects with ERISA. "ERISA Affiliate" means, with respect to the Company or a subsidiary, any member of any group of organizations described in Section 414(b), (c), (m) or (o) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations and published interpretations thereunder (the "Code") of which the Company or such subsidiary is a member. No "reportable event" (as defined in Section 4043 of ERISA) for which advance notice is required to be made to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation under the regulations under ERISA has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur with respect to any "employee pension benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(2) of ERISA) established or maintained by the Company, its subsidiaries or any of their ERISA Affiliates. No "employee pension benefit plan" subject to Title IV of ERISA established or maintained by the Company, its subsidiaries or any of their ERISA Affiliates if such "employee pension benefit labilities, if any, as would not, in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect. Neither the Company, its subsidiaries nor any of their ERISA Affiliates has incurred or reasonably expects to incur any liability under (i) Title IV of ERISA would, in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect. Neither the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect. Affiliates that is intended to be qualified under Section 401 of the Code is so qualified and the Company its subsidiaries or any of their ERISA Affiliate

Any certificate signed by an officer of the Company and delivered to the Representatives or to counsel for the Underwriters shall be deemed to be a representation and warranty by the Company to each Underwriter as to the matters set forth therein.

SECTION 2. Purchase, Sale and Delivery of the Securities

(a) <u>The Securities</u>. The Company agrees to issue and sell to the several Underwriters, severally and not jointly, all of the Securities upon the terms but subject to the conditions herein set forth. On the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements herein contained, and upon the terms but subject to the conditions herein set forth, the Underwriters agree, and each Underwriter, severally and not jointly, agrees to purchase from the Company the aggregate principal amount of Securities set forth in <u>Schedule A</u> opposite the name of such Underwriter, plus any additional principal amount of Securities which such Underwriter may become obligated to purchase pursuant to the provisions of Section 18 hereof, at a purchase price of 99.352% of the principal amount of the 2021 Securities and 99.314% of the principal amount of the 2026 Securities, plus accrued interest, if any, from May 12, 2016 to the Closing Date (as defined below), payable on the Closing Date.

(b) <u>The Closing Date</u>. Delivery of certificates for the Securities in global form to be purchased by the Underwriters and payment of the purchase price therefor shall be made at the offices of Simpson Thacher and Bartlett LLP, 425 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10017 (or such other place as may be agreed to by the Company and the Representatives) at 9:00 a.m. New York City time, on May 12, 2016 (unless postponed in accordance with the provisions of Section 18), or such other time and date as the Underwriters shall designate by notice to the Company (the time and date of such closing are called the "Closing Date").

(c) <u>Public Offering of the Securities</u>. The Representatives hereby advise the Company that the Underwriters intend to offer for sale to the public, as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, their respective portions of the Securities as soon after the Execution Time as the Representatives, in their sole judgment, have determined is advisable and practicable.

(d) <u>Payment for the Securities</u> Payment for the Securities shall be made at the Closing Date by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the order of the Company.

It is understood that the Representatives have been authorized, for their own accounts and for the accounts of the several Underwriters, to accept delivery of and receipt for, and make payment of the purchase price for, the Securities that the Underwriters have agreed to purchase. The Representatives may (but shall not be obligated to) make payment for any Securities to be purchased by any Underwriter whose funds shall not have been received by the Representatives by the Closing Date for the account of such Underwriter, but any such payment shall not relieve such Underwriter from any of its obligations under this Agreement.

(e) <u>Delivery of the Securities</u>. The Company shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Representatives for the accounts of the several Underwriters certificates for the Securities at the Closing Date against the irrevocable release of a wire transfer of immediately available funds for the amount of the purchase price therefor. The certificates for the Securities shall be in such denominations specified by the Representatives in writing at least one business day preceding the Closing Date and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of the Depositary, and shall be made available for inspection on the business day preceding the Closing Date at a location in New York City, as the Representatives may designate. Time shall be of the essence, and delivery at the time and place specified in this Agreement is a further condition to the obligations of the Underwriters.

SECTION 3. Additional Covenants. The Company further covenants and agrees with each Underwriter as follows:

(a) <u>Compliance with Securities Regulations and Commission Requests</u>. The Company, subject to Section 3(b), will comply with the requirements of Rule 430B of the Securities Act Regulations, and will promptly notify the Representatives, and confirm the notice in writing, of (i) the effectiveness during the Prospectus Delivery Period (as defined below) of any post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement or the filing of any supplement or amendment to the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, (ii) the receipt of any comments from the Commission during the Prospectus Delivery Period, (iii) any request by the

Commission for any amendment to the Registration Statement or any amendment or supplement to the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus or for additional information, and (iv) the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or of any order preventing or suspending the use of the Preliminary Prospectus, or of the suspension of the qualification of the Securities for offering or sale in any jurisdiction, or of the initiation or threatening of any proceedings for any of such purposes. The Company will promptly effect the filings necessary pursuant to Rule 424 and will take such steps as it deems necessary to ascertain promptly whether the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus transmitted for filing under Rule 424 was received for filing by the Commission and, in the event that it was not, it will promptly file such document. The Company will use its reasonable best efforts to prevent the issuance of any stop order and, if any stop order is issued, to obtain the lifting thereof at the earliest possible moment.

(b) Filing of Amendments. During such period beginning on the date of this Agreement and ending on the later of the Closing Date or such date as, in the reasonable opinion of counsel for the Underwriters, the Prospectus is no longer required by law to be delivered in connection with sales of the Securities by an Underwriter or dealer, including in circumstances where such requirement may be satisfied pursuant to Rule 172 of the Securities Act Regulations (the "Prospectus Delivery Period"), the Company will give the Representatives notice of its intention to file or prepare any amendment to the Registration Statement (including any filing under Rule 462(b) of the Securities Act Regulations), or any amendment, supplement or revision to the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, whether pursuant to the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or otherwise, the Company shall furnish to the Representatives for review a copy of each such document a reasonable amount of time prior to such proposed filing or use, and the Company shall not file or use any such document to which the Representatives or counsel to the Underwriters reasonably object.

(c) <u>Continued Compliance with Securities Laws</u>. The Company will comply with the Securities Act and the Securities Act Regulations and the Exchange Act and the Exchange Act Regulations so as to permit the completion of the distribution of the Securities as contemplated in this Agreement and in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus. If at any time during the Prospectus Delivery Period, any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which it is necessary, in the opinion of counsel to the Underwriters or for the Company, to amend the Registration Statement in order that the Registration Statement will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading or to amend or supplement the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus in order that the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, as the case may be, will not include any untrue statement of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made therein, in the light of the circumstances existing at the Initial Sale Time or at the time it is delivered or conveyed to a purchaser, not misleading, or if it shall be necessary, in the opinion of either such counsel, at any such time to amend the Registration Statement or amend or supplement the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus in order to comply with the requirements of any law, the Company will (1) promptly notify the Representatives of any such event, development or condition and (2) will promptly prepare and file with the Commission, subject to Section 3(b) hereof, such amendments or supplements as may be necessary to correct such statement or omission or to make the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus comply will furnish to the Underwriters, without charge, such number of copies of such amendments or supplements as the Underwriters may reasonably request.

(d) <u>Delivery of Registration Statements</u>. If requested by the Representatives, the Company will deliver to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters, without charge, signed copies of the Registration Statement as originally filed and of each amendment thereto (including exhibits filed therewith or incorporated by reference therein and documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference therein) and signed copies of all consents and certificates of experts. The Registration Statement and each amendment thereto furnished to the Underwriters will be identical to any electronically transmitted copies thereof filed with the Commission pursuant to EDGAR, except to the extent permitted by Regulation S-T.

(e) <u>Delivery of Prospectuses</u>. The Company will deliver to each Underwriter, without charge, as many copies of the Preliminary Prospectus as such Underwriter may reasonably request, and the Company hereby consents to the use of such copies for purposes permitted by the Securities Act. The Company will furnish to each Underwriter, without charge, during the Prospectus Delivery Period, such number of copies of the Prospectus as such Underwriter may reasonably request. The Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus and any amendments or supplements thereto furnished to the Underwriters will be identical to any electronically transmitted copies thereof filed with the Commission pursuant to EDGAR, except to the extent permitted by Regulation S T.

(f) <u>Blue Sky Compliance</u>. The Company shall cooperate with the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters to qualify the Securities for offer and sale under (or obtain exemptions from the application of) the Blue Sky or state securities laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives shall reasonably request, shall comply with such laws and shall maintain such qualifications and exemptions in effect so long as required for the distribution of the Securities. The Company shall not be required to qualify as a foreign corporation or a dealer in securities or to take any action that would subject it to general service of process in any such jurisdiction where it is not presently qualified or where it would be subject to taxation in respect of doing business in an jurisdiction in which it is not otherwise so subject. The Company will advise the Representatives promptly of the suspension of the qualification of (or any such exemption relating to) the Securities for offering, sale or trading in any jurisdiction or any initiation or threat of any proceeding for any such purpose, and in the event of the issuance of any order suspending such qualification or exemption, the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain the withdrawal thereof as promptly as possible.

(g) Use of Proceeds. The Company shall use the net proceeds received by it from the sale of the Securities sold by it in the manner described under the caption "Use of Proceeds" in the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus.

(h) The Depositary. The Company will cooperate with the Underwriters and use its reasonable best efforts to permit the Securities to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the facilities of the Depositary.

(i) <u>Periodic Reporting Obligations</u>. During the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company shall file, on a timely basis, with the Commission and the New York Stock Exchange all reports and documents required to be filed under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

(j) <u>Agreement Not to Offer or Sell Additional Securities</u> During the period commencing on the date hereof and ending on the Closing Date, the Company will not, without the prior written consent of the Representatives (which consent may be withheld at the sole discretion of the Representatives), directly or indirectly, sell, offer, contract or grant any option to sell, pledge, transfer or establish an open "put equivalent position" within the meaning of Rule 16a-1(h) under the Exchange Act, or otherwise dispose of or transfer, or announce the offering of, or file any registration statement under the Securities Act in respect of, any debt securities of the Company similar to the Securities or securities exchangeable for or convertible into debt securities similar to the Securities (other than as contemplated by this Agreement with respect to the Securities).

(k) <u>Final Term Sheet</u>. The Company will prepare a final term sheet containing only a description of the Securities, and will file such term sheet pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act within the time required by such rule (such term sheet, the "Final Term Sheet"). Any such Final Term Sheet is an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus for purposes of this Agreement. A form of the Final Term Sheet for the Securities is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u>.

(1) Permitted Free Writing Prospectuses. The Company represents that it has not made, and agrees that, unless it obtains the prior written consent of the Representatives, and each Underwriter represents that it has not made, and agrees that, unless it obtains the prior written consent of the Company and the Representatives, it will not make, any offer relating to the Securities that would constitute an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or that would otherwise constitute a "free writing prospectus" (as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act) required to be filed by the Company with the Commission or retained by the Company under Rule 433 of the Securities Act; provided that the prior written consent of the Representatives shall be deemed to have been given in respect of any Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses included in <u>Annex I</u> to this Agreement. Any such free writing prospectus consented to or deemed to be consented to by the Representatives and the Company is hereinafter referred to as a "Permitted Free Writing Prospectus." The Company agrees that (i) it has treated and will treat, as the case may be, each Permitted Free Writing Prospectus as an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, and (ii) has complied and will comply, as the case may be, with the requirements of Rules 164 and 433 of the Securities Act applicable to any Permitted Free Writing Prospectus, including in respect of timely filing with the Commission, legending and record keeping. The Company consents to the use by any Underwriter of a free writing prospectus that (a) is not an "issuer free writing prospectus" as defined in Rule 433, and (b) contains only (i) information describing the preliminary terms of the Securities or their offering, (ii) information permitted by Rule 134 under the Securities Act or (iii) information that describes the final terms of the Securities or their offering and that is included in the Final Term Sheet of the Company contemplated in Section 3(k).

(m) Notice of Inability to Use Automatic Shelf Registration Statement Form If at any time during the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company receives from the Commission a notice pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) or otherwise ceases to be eligible to use the automatic shelf registration statement form, the Company will (i) promptly notify the Representatives, (ii) promptly file a new registration statement or post-effective amendment on the proper form relating to the Securities, in a form satisfactory to the Representatives of such effectiveness. The Company will take all other action necessary or appropriate to permit the public offering and sale of the Securities to continue as contemplated in the registration statement that was the subject of the Rule 401(g)(2) notice or for which the Company has otherwise become ineligible. References herein to the Registration statement shall include such new registration statement or post-effective amendment, as the case may be.

(n) Filing Fees. The Company agrees to pay the required Commission filing fees relating to the Securities within the time required by and in accordance with Rule 456(b)(1) and 457(r) of the Securities Act.

(o) <u>Compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley Act</u>. During the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company will comply with all applicable securities laws, rules and regulations, including, without limitation, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, and use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Company's directors and officers, in their capacities as such, to comply with such laws, rules and regulations, including, without limitation, the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

(p) No Manipulation of Price. The Company will not take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to cause or result in, or that has constituted or might reasonably be expected to constitute, under the Exchange Act or otherwise, the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any securities of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

The Representatives, on behalf of the several Underwriters, may, in their sole discretion, waive in writing the performance by the Company of any one or more of the foregoing covenants or extend the time for their performance.

SECTION 4. <u>Payment of Expenses</u>. The Company agrees to pay all costs, fees and expenses incurred in connection with the performance of its obligations hereunder, including, (i) all expenses incident to the issuance and delivery of the Securities (including all printing and engraving costs), (ii) all necessary issue, transfer and other stamp taxes in connection with the issuance and sale of the Securities, (iii) all fees and expenses of the Company's counsel, independent public or certified public accountants and other advisors, (iv) all costs and expenses incurred in connection with the preparation, printing, filing, shipping and distribution of the Registration Statement (including financial statements, exhibits, schedules, consents and certificates of experts), each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus, and all amendments and supplements thereto, this Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities, (v) all filing fees incident to, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the Company or the Underwriters in connection with the provisions of Section 3(f) hereof, including any filing fees and any reasonable fees and disbursements of

counsel for the Underwriters in connection with a "Blue Sky Survey" or memorandum, and any supplements thereto, and the review by FINRA, if any, of the terms of the sale of the Securities (but in no event shall the Company pay more than \$10,000 for attorney' fees and expenses pursuant to this Section 4(v)), (vi) the fees and expenses of the Trustee, including the fees and disbursements of counsel for the Trustee in connection with the Indenture and the Securities, (vii) any fees payable in connection with the rating of the Securities with the ratings agencies, (viii) all fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) of the Company in connection with approval of the Securities by the Depositary for "book-entry" transfer, (ix) all other fees, costs and expenses referred to in Item 14 of Part II of the Registration Statement, and (x) all other costs, fees and expenses incurred in connection with the performance of its obligations hereunder for which provision is not otherwise made in this Section 4. Except as provided in this Section 4, Section 6, Section 8 and Section 9 hereof, the Underwriters shall pay their own expenses, including the fees and disbursements of their counsel.

SECTION 5. <u>Conditions of the Obligations of the Underwriters</u>. The obligations of the several Underwriters to purchase and pay for the Securities as provided herein on the Closing Date shall be subject to the accuracy of the representations and warranties on the part of the Company set forth in Section 1 hereof as of the date hereof, as of the Initial Sale Time, and as of the Closing Date as though then made and to the timely performance by the Company of its covenants and other obligations hereunder, and to each of the following additional conditions:

(a) <u>Effectiveness of Registration Statement</u>. The Registration Statement shall have become effective under the Securities Act and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement shall have been issued under the Securities Act and no proceedings for that purpose shall have been instituted or be pending or threatened by the Commission, any request on the part of the Commission for additional information shall have been complied with to the reasonable satisfaction of counsel to the Underwriters and the Company shall not have received from the Commission any notice pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) of the Securities Act objecting to use of the automatic shelf registration statement form. The Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus shall have been filed with the Commission in accordance with Rule 424(b) (or any required post-effective amendment providing such information shall have been filed and declared effective in accordance with the requirements of Rule 430A).

(b) Accountants' Comfort Letters. On the date hereof, the Representatives shall have received from each of Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm for the Company, and KPMG, independent auditors for Veda Group Limited, a letter dated the date hereof addressed to the Underwriters, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives, containing statements and information of the type ordinarily included in accountant's "comfort letters" to an underwriter, delivered according to Statement of Auditing Standards Nos. 72 and 76 (or any successor bulletins), with respect to the audited and unaudited financial statements and certain other financial information contained in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus.

(c) <u>No Objection</u>. If the Registration Statement and/or the offering of the Securities has been filed with FINRA for review, FINRA shall not have raised any objection with respect to the fairness and reasonableness of the underwriting terms and arrangements.

(d) No Material Adverse Change or Ratings Agency Change. For the period from and after the date of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Date:

(i) there shall not have occurred any Material Adverse Change that, in the judgment of the Representatives, makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the completion of the offering or the sale of and payment for the Securities; and

(ii) there shall not have occurred any downgrading, nor shall any notice have been given of any intended or potential downgrading or of any review for a possible change that does not indicate the direction of the possible change, in the rating accorded any securities of the Company or any of its subsidiaries by any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" as such term is defined in Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act.

(e) <u>Opinion of Counsel for the Company</u>. On the Closing Date, the Representatives shall have received the opinion of King & Spalding LLP, counsel for the Company, dated as of such Closing Date, the form of which is attached as <u>Exhibit A-1</u>. Such opinion shall be rendered to the Underwriters at the request of the Company and shall so state therein.

(f) Opinion of Chief Legal Officer. On the Closing Date, the Representatives shall have received the opinion of John J. Kelley III, Esq., Chief Legal Officer for the Company, dated as of such Closing Date, the form of which is attached as <u>Exhibit A-2</u>. Such opinion shall be rendered to the Underwriters at the request of the Company and shall so state therein.

(g) Opinion of Counsel for the Underwriters. On the Closing Date, the Representatives shall have received the opinion of Simpson Thacher and Bartlett LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, dated as of such Closing Date, with respect to such matters as may be reasonably requested by the Underwriters.

(h) Officers' Certificate. On the Closing Date, the Representatives shall have received a written certificate executed by the Chief Financial Officer or Chief Accounting Officer of the Company and another executive officer of the Company, on behalf of the Company, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect set forth in subsection (d)(ii) of this Section 5, and further to the effect that:

(i) the Company has received no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, and no proceedings for such purpose has been instituted or threatened by the Commission;

(ii) the Company has not received from the Commission any notice pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) under the Securities Act objecting to use of the automatic shelf registration statement;

(iii) for the period from and after the date of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Date there has not occurred any Material Adverse Change;



(iv) the representations and warranties of the Company set forth in Section 1 of this Agreement are true and correct with the same force and effect as though expressly made on and as of the Closing Date; and

(v) the Company has complied with all the agreements and satisfied all the conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied at or prior to the Closing Date.

(i) <u>Bring-down Comfort Letters</u>. On the Closing Date, the Representatives shall have received from each of Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm for the Company, and KPMG, independent auditors for Veda Group Limited, a letter dated such date, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives, to the effect that they reaffirm the statements made in the letter furnished by them pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section 5, except that the specified date referred to therein for the carrying out of procedures shall be no more than three business days prior to the Closing Date.

(j) Additional Documents. On or before the Closing Date, the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters shall have received such information, documents and opinions as they may reasonably require for the purposes of enabling them to pass upon the issuance and sale of the Securities as contemplated herein, or in order to evidence the accuracy of any of the representations and warranties, or the satisfaction of any of the conditions or agreements, herein contained.

If any condition specified in this Section 5 is not satisfied when and as required to be satisfied, this Agreement may be terminated by the Representatives by notice to the Company at any time on or prior to the Closing Date, which termination shall be without liability on the part of any party to any other party, except that Section 4, Section 6, Section 8, Section 9 and Section 11 shall at all times be effective and shall survive such termination.

SECTION 6. <u>Reimbursement of Underwriters' Expenses</u>. If this Agreement is terminated by the Representatives pursuant to Section 5, or if the sale to the Underwriters of the Securities on the Closing Date is not consummated because of any refusal, inability or failure on the part of the Company to perform any agreement herein or to comply with any provision hereof (other than solely because of the termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 18, or the occurrence of an event specified in clause (ii), (iii), (iv) or (vii) of Section 10), the Company agrees to reimburse the Representatives and the other Underwriters (or such Underwriters as have terminated this Agreement with respect to themselves), severally, upon demand for all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses that shall have been reasonably incurred by the Representatives and the Underwriters in connection with the proposed purchase and the offering and sale of the Securities, including but not limited to fees and disbursements of counsel, printing expenses, travel expenses, postage, facsimile and telephone charges.

SECTION 7. Effectiveness of this Agreement. This Agreement shall not become effective until the execution of this Agreement by the parties thereto.

SECTION 8. Indemnification.

(a) Indemnification of the Underwriters. The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter, its directors, officers, employees and agents, and each person, if any, who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act against any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense, as incurred, to which such Underwriter or such director, officer, employee, agent or controlling person may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or other federal or state statutory law or regulation, or at common law or otherwise (including in settlement of any litigation, if such settlement is effected with the written consent of the Company), insofar as such loss, claim, damage, liability or expense (or actions in respect thereof as contemplated below) arises out of or is based (i) upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, or any amendment thereto, or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; or (ii) upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto) or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and to reimburse each Underwriter and each such director, officer, employee, agent and controlling person for any and all expenses (including the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel chosen by the Representatives) as such expenses are reasonably incurred by such Underwriter or such director, officer, employee, agent or controlling person in connection with investigating, defending, settling, compromising or paying any such loss, claim, damage, liability, expense or action; provided, however, that the foregoing indemnity agreement shall not apply to any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense to the extent, but only to the extent, arising out of or based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto). The indemnity agreement set forth in this Section 8 shall be in addition to any liabilities that the Company may otherwise have.

(b) Indemnification of the Company, its Directors and Officers. Each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company and each of its directors, each of its officers who signed the Registration Statement and each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, against any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense, as incurred, to which the Company or any such director, officer or controlling person may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, or other federal or state statutory law or regulation, or at common law or otherwise (including in settlement of any litigation, if such settlement is effected with the written consent of such Underwriter), insofar as such loss, claim, damage, liability or expense (or actions in respect thereof as contemplated below) arises out of or is based (i) upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, or any amendment thereto, or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; or (ii) upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any Issuer Free

Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto) or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, in each case to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use therein; and to reimburse the Company, or any such director, officer or controlling person for any legal and other expenses as such expenses are reasonably incurred by the Company, or any such director, officer or controlling person furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto) in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use therein; and to reimburse the Company hereby acknowledges that the only information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus and Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement set forth in (i) the last paragraph on the front cover of the Preliminary Prospectus and Prospectus regarding delivery of the Securities, (ii) the fourth full paragraph under the caption "Underwriters confirm that such statements are correct. The indemnity agreement set forth in this Section 8 shall be in addition to any liabilities that each Underwriter may otherwise have.

(c) Notifications and Other Indemnification Procedures. Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under this Section 8 of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party will, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against an indemnifying party under this Section 8, notify the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof, but the omission so to notify the indemnifying party will not relieve it from any liability which it may have to any indemnified party for contribution or otherwise than under the indemnify agreement contained in this Section 8 or to the extent it is not prejudiced as a proximate result of such failure. In case any such action is brought against any indemnified party and such indemnified party seeks or intends to seek indemnify from an indemnifying party, the indemnifying party will be entitled to participate in and, to the extent that it shall elect, jointly with all other indemnifying party and the indemnifying party and the indemnified party satisfactory to such indemnified party; provided, however, if the defendants in any such action include both the indemnified party and the indemnified party in conducting the defense of any such action or that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other indemnified parties which are different from or additional to these available to the indemnifying party or parties shall have the right to select separate counsel to assume such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action no behalf of such indemnified party or parties shall have the right to select separate counsel to assume such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on behalf of such indemnified party or parties shall have the right to select separate counsel to assume such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on behalf of such indemnified party or parties shall have the right to select separate counsel to assume such legal defenses and to otherwise

subsequently incurred by such indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof unless (i) the indemnified party shall have employed separate counsel in accordance with the proviso to the next preceding sentence (it being understood, however, that the indemnifying party shall not be liable for the expenses of more than one separate counsel (together with local counsel), approved by the indemnifying party (the Representatives in the case of Section 8(b) and Section 9), representing the indemnified parties who are parties to such action) or (ii) the indemnifying party shall not have employed counsel satisfactory to the indemnified party to represent the indemnified party within a reasonable time after notice of commencement of the action, in each of which cases the fees and expenses of counsel shall be at the expense of the indemnifying party.

(d) Settlements. The indemnifying party under this Section 8 shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, the indemnifying party agrees to indemnify the indemnified party against any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense by reason of such settlement or judgment. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, if at any time an indemnifying party shall have requested an indemnifying party to reimburse the indemnified party for fees and expenses of counsel as contemplated by Section 8 hereof, the indemnifying party agrees that it shall be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent if (i) such settlement is entered into more than 45 days after receipt by such indemnifying party of the aforesaid request and (ii) such indemnifying party shall not have reimbursed the indemnified party in accordance with such request prior to the date of such settlement. No indemnifying party shall, without the prior written consent of the indemnified party, effect any settlement, compromise or consent to the entry of judgment in any pending or threatened action, suit or proceeding in respect of which any indemnified party is or could have been a party and indemnified party from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such action, suit or proceeding and (y) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act, by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

SECTION 9. <u>Contribution</u>. If the indemnification provided for in Section 8 is for any reason held to be unavailable to or otherwise insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party in respect of any losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses referred to therein, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the aggregate amount paid or payable by such indemnified party, as incurred, as a result of any losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses referred to therein (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, from the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) above is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits received by the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed to be in the same respective proportions as the total net proceeds from the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed to be in the same respective proportions as the total net proceeds from the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement (before

deducting expenses) received by the Company, and the total underwriting discount received by the Underwriters, in each case as set forth on the cover of the Prospectus, bear to the aggregate initial offering price of the Securities as set forth on such cover. The relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether any such untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company, on the one hand, or the Underwriters, on the other hand, and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission.

The amount paid or payable by a party as a result of the losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses referred to above shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth in Section 8, any legal or other fees or expenses reasonably incurred by such party in connection with investigating or defending any action or claim. The provisions set forth in Section 8 with respect to notice of commencement of any action shall apply if a claim for contribution is to be made under this Section 9; provided, however, that no additional notice shall be required with respect to any action for which notice has been given under Section 8 for purposes of indemnification.

The Company and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 9 were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Underwriters were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in this Section 9.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 9, no Underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the underwriting commissions received by such Underwriter in connection with the Securities underwritten by it and distributed to the public.

No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Underwriters' respective obligations to contribute pursuant to this Section 9 are several, not joint, in proportion to their respective underwriting commitments set forth opposite their names in <u>Schedule A</u>. For purposes of this Section 9, each director, officer, employee or agent of an Underwriter and each person, if any, who controls an Underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act shall have the same rights to contribution as such Underwriter, and each director of the Company, each officer of the Company who signed the Registration Statement, and each person, if any, who controls the Company with the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act shall have the same rights to contribution as the Company.

SECTION 10. <u>Termination of this Agreement</u>. Prior to the Closing Date, this Agreement may be terminated by the Representatives by notice given to the Company if at any time (i) trading or quotation in any of the Company's securities shall have been suspended or limited by the Commission or by the New York Stock Exchange; (ii) trading in securities generally on either the Nasdaq Stock Market or the New York Stock Exchange shall have been suspended or limited, or minimum or maximum prices shall have been generally established on any of such stock exchanges by the Commission or FINRA; (iii) a general banking moratorium

shall have been declared by any federal, New York or Georgia authorities; (iv) there shall have occurred any outbreak or escalation of national or international hostilities or any crisis or calamity, or any change in the United States or international financial markets, or any substantial change or development involving a prospective substantial change in United States' or international political, financial or economic conditions, as in the judgment of the Representatives is material and adverse and makes it impracticable or inadvisable to market the Securities in the manner and on the terms described in the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus or to enforce contracts for the sale of the Securities; (v) since the execution of this Agreement or since the respective dates as of which information is given in the Disclosure Package, there shall have occurred any Material Adverse Change the effect of which, in the judgment of the Representatives, makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the completion of the offer or the sale of and payment for the Securities; (vi) the Company shall have sustained a loss by strike, fire, flood, earthquake, accident or other calamity of such character as in the judgment of the Representatives may interfere materially with the conduct of the business and operations of the Company regardless of whether or not such loss shall have been insured; or (vii) there shall have occurred a material disruption in commercial banking or securities settlement or clearance services in the United States. Any termination pursuant to this Section 10 shall be without liability on the part of the Company to any Underwriter, except that the Company shall be obligated to reimburse the expenses of the Underwriters pursuant to Sections 4 and 6 hereof, any Underwriter to the Company, or of any party hereto to any other party except that the provisions of Section 8 and Section 9 shall at all times be effective and shall survive such termination.

SECTION 11. <u>Representations and Indemnities to Survive Delivery</u>. The respective indemnities, agreements, representations, warranties and other statements of the Company, of its officers and of the several Underwriters set forth in or made pursuant to this Agreement will remain in full force and effect, regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of any Underwriter or the Company or any of its or their partners, officers, directors, employees or any controlling person, as the case may be, and will survive delivery of and payment for the Securities sold hereunder and any termination of this Agreement.

SECTION 12. <u>Selling Restrictions</u>. Each Underwriter, severally and not jointly, represents, warrants and agrees with the Company that it will comply with the selling restrictions listed in <u>Annex III</u> hereto in respect of the offering, sale and delivery of the Securities.

SECTION 13. Notices. All communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be mailed, hand delivered or telecopied and confirmed to the parties hereto as

If to the Underwriters:

follows:

J.P. Morgan Securities LLC 383 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10179

Facsimile: (212) 834-6081 Attention: High Grade Syndicate Desk – 3rd floor

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated 50 Rockefeller Plaza NY1-050-12-01 New York, New York 10020

Facsimile: (646) 855-5958 Attention: High Grade Transaction Management/Legal

and

Wells Fargo Securities, LLC 550 South Tryon Street, 5th Floor Charlotte, NC 28202

Facsimile: (704) 410-0326 Attention: Transaction Management

with a copy to:

Simpson Thacher and Bartlett LLP 425 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10017

Facsimile: (212) 455-2502 Attention: Andrew Keller, Esq.

If to the Company:

Equifax Inc. 1550 Peachtree Street, N.W. Atlanta, GA 30309

Facsimile: (404) 885-8988 Attention: John W. Gamble, Jr., Corporate Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, and John J. Kelley III, Corporate Vice President and Chief Legal Officer

with a copy to:

King & Spalding LLP 1180 Peachtree Street, NE Atlanta, GA 30309 Facsimile: (404) 572-5133 Attention: Carrie A. Ratliff, Esq.

Any party hereto may change the address for receipt of communications by giving written notice to the others.

SECTION 14. Successors. This Agreement will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto, including any substitute Underwriters pursuant to Section 18 hereof, and to the benefit of the agents, employees, officers and directors and controlling persons referred to in Section 8 and Section 9, and in each case their respective successors. Nothing expressed or mentioned in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to give any person, firm or corporation, other than the Underwriters and the Company and their respective successors and the controlling person referred to in Section 8 and 9 and their heirs and legal representatives, any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or in respect of this Agreement or any provision herein contained. This Agreement and all conditions and provisions hereof are intended to be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Underwriters and their respective successor, and their respective successors and their heirs and legal representatives, and for the benefit of no other person, firm, corporation or employees. The term "successors" shall not include any purchaser of the Securities from any of the Underwriters merely by reason of such purchase.

SECTION 15. <u>Partial Unenforceability</u>. The invalidity or unenforceability of any Section, paragraph or provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other Section, paragraph or provision hereof. If any Section, paragraph or provision of this Agreement is for any reason determined to be invalid or unenforceable, there shall be deemed to be made such minor changes (and only such minor changes) as are necessary to make it valid and enforceable.

SECTION 16. <u>Governing Law Provisions</u>. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERNAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO AGREEMENTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED IN SUCH STATE.

SECTION 17. <u>Consent to Jurisdiction</u>. Any legal suit, action or proceeding arising out of or based upon this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby ("Related Proceedings") may be instituted in the federal courts of the United States of America located in the City and County of New York or the courts of the State of New York in each case located in the City and County of New York (collectively, the "Specified Courts"), and each party irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of such courts in any such suit, action or proceeding. Service of any process, summons, notice or document by mail to such party's address set forth above shall be effective service of process for any suit, action or other proceeding brought in any such court. The parties irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the laying of venue of any suit, action or other proceeding in the Specified Courts and irrevocably and unconditionally waive and agree not to plead or claim in any such court that any such suit, action or other proceeding brought in an inconvenient forum.

SECTION 18. <u>Default of One or More of the Several Underwriters</u>. If any one or more of the several Underwriters shall fail or refuse to purchase Securities that it or they have agreed to purchase hereunder on the Closing Date, and the aggregate number of Securities which such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters agreed but failed or refused to purchase does not exceed 10% of the aggregate number of the Securities to be purchased on such date, the other non-defaulting Underwriters shall be obligated, severally, in the proportions that the number of

Securities set forth opposite their respective names on <u>Schedule A</u> bears to the aggregate number of Securities set forth opposite the names of all such non-defaulting Underwriters, or in such other proportions as may be specified by the Underwriters with the consent of the non-defaulting Underwriters, to purchase all of the Securities which such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters agreed but failed or refused to purchase on such date. If any one or more of the Underwriters shall fail or refuse to purchase Securities and the aggregate number of Securities with respect to which such default occurs exceeds 10% of the aggregate number of Securities to be purchased on the Closing Date, and arrangements satisfactory to the Representatives and the Company for the purchase of such Securities are not made within 48 hours after such default, this Agreement shall terminate without liability of the non-defaulting Underwriters and the Company except that the provisions of Section 4, Section 6, Section 8 and Section 9 shall at all times be effective and shall survive such termination. In any such case either the Representatives or the Company shall have the right to postpone the Closing Date, as the case may be, but in no event for longer than seven days in order that the required changes, if any, to the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus or any other documents or arrangements may be effected.

As used in this Agreement, the term "Underwriter" shall be deemed to include any person substituted for a defaulting Underwriter under this Section 18. Any action taken under this Section 18 shall not relieve any defaulting Underwriter from liability in respect of any default of such Underwriter under this Agreement.

SECTION 19. <u>No Fiduciary Duty</u>. The Company acknowledges and agrees that: (i) the purchase and sale of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement, including the determination of the public offering price of the Securities and any related discounts and commissions, is an arm's length commercial transaction between the Company, on the one hand, and the several Underwriters, on the other hand, and the Company is capable of evaluating and understanding and understands and accepts the terms, risks and conditions of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; (ii) in connection with each transaction contemplated hereby and the process leading to such transaction each Underwriter is and has been acting solely as a principal and is not the financial advisor, agent or fiduciary of the Company or its affiliates, stockholders, creditors or employees or any other party; (iii) no Underwriter has assumed or will assume an advisory, agency or fiduciary responsibility in favor of the Company with respect to any of the transactions contemplated hereby or the process leading thereto (irrespective of whether such Underwriter has advised or is currently advising the Company on other matters) and no Underwriter has any obligation to the Company with respect to the offering contemplated hereby except the obligations expressly set forth in this Agreement; (iv) the several Underwriters have no obligation to disclose any of such interests by virtue of any advisory, agency or fiduciary relationship; and (v) the Underwriters have not provided any legal, accounting, regulatory or tax advice with respect to the offering contemplated hereby and the Company and that the several Underwriters have no obligation to disclose any of such interests by virtue of any advisory, agency or fiduciary relationship; and (v) the Underwriters have not provided any legal, accounting, regulatory or tax advice with respect to the offering contemplated hereby and the Company has consulted its own legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advices with respect t

This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings (whether written or oral) between the Company and the several Underwriters with respect to the subject matter hereof. The Company hereby waives and releases, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any claims that the Company may have against the several Underwriters with respect to any breach or alleged breach of agency or fiduciary duty.

SECTION 20. <u>General Provisions</u>. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties to this Agreement and supersedes all prior written or oral and all contemporaneous oral agreements, understandings and negotiations with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each one of which shall be an original, with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. This Agreement may not be amended or modified unless in writing by all of the parties hereto, and no condition herein (express or implied) may be waived unless waived in writing by each party whom the condition is meant to benefit. The Table of Contents and the section headings herein are for the convenience of the parties only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Agreement.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding of our agreement, kindly sign and return to the Company the enclosed copies hereof, whereupon this instrument, along with all counterparts hereof, shall become a binding agreement among the Underwriters and the Company in accordance with its terms.

Very truly yours,

EQUIFAX INC.

By: /s/ Mark E. Young

Name:Mark E. YoungTitle:Senior Vice President and Treasurer

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The foregoing Underwriting Agreement is hereby confirmed and accepted by the Representatives as of the date first above written.

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC		
MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH		
INCORPORATED		
WELLS FARGO SECURITIES, LLC		
Acting as Representatives of the		
several Underwriters named in		
the attached Schedule A		

By: J.P. Morgan Securities LLC

By: J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	
By: /s/ Robert Bottamedi	
Name: Robert Bottamedi	
Title: Vice President	
By: Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith	
Incorporated	
By: /s/ Brendan Hanley	
Name: Brendan Hanley	
Title: Managing Director	
By: Wells Fargo Securities, LLC	
By: /s/ Carolyn Hurley	
Name: Carolyn Hurley	
Title: Director	
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SCHEDULE A

Underwriters	Aggregate Principal Amount of 2021 Securities to be Purchased	Aggregate Principal Amount of 2026 Securities to be Purchased
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	\$ 115,000,000	\$ 63,250,000
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith		
Incorporated	115,000,000	63,250,000
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC	115,000,000	63,250,000
SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.	47,500,000	26,125,000
Mizuho Securities USA Inc.	47,500,000	26,125,000
BB&T Capital Markets, a division of BB&T Securities, LLC	10,000,000	5,500,000
CIBC World Markets Corp.	10,000,000	5,500,000
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.	10,000,000	5,500,000
PNC Capital Markets LLC	10,000,000	5,500,000
U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc.	10,000,000	5,500,000
Fifth Third Securities, Inc.	5,000,000	2,750,000
HSBC Securities (USA) Inc.	5,000,000	2,750,000
Total	<u>\$ 500,000,000</u>	\$ 275,000,000

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Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses

Final Term Sheet dated May 5, 2016

Other Free Writing Prospectuses Forming Part of the Disclosure Package

None.

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Selling Restrictions

European economic area

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area (each, a "Relevant Member State"), each underwriter has represented and agreed that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the "Relevant Implementation Date") it has not made and will not make an offer of notes which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this prospectus supplement to the public in that Relevant Member State other than:

- (a) to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as defined in the Prospectus Directive;
- (b) to fewer than 150 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive), subject to obtaining the prior consent of the relevant dealer or dealers nominated by the Issuer for any such offer; or
- (c) in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive, provided that no such offer of notes shall require the Issuer or any underwriter to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an "offer of notes to the public" in relation to any notes in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the notes to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe for the notes, as the same may be varied in that Relevant Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State, the expression "Prospectus Directive" means Directive 2003/71/EC (as amended, including by Directive 2010/73/EU), and includes any relevant implementing measure in the Relevant Member State.

United Kingdom

Each underwriter has represented and agreed that:

- (a) (i) it is a person whose ordinary activities involve it in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of its business and (ii) it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell the notes other than to persons whose ordinary activities involve them in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or as agent) for the purposes of their businesses or who it is reasonable to expect will acquire, hold, manage or dispose of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of their businesses or who it is reasonable to expect will acquire, hold, manage or dispose of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of their businesses where the issue of the notes would otherwise constitute a contravention of Section 19 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 by us.
- (b) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the

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meaning of Section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of the notes in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 does not apply to us; and

(c) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 with respect to anything done by it in relation to the notes in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

Form of Opinion of Company's Counsel

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Form of Opinion of Chief Legal Officer

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EXHIBIT B

Filed Pursuant to Rule 433 under the Securities Act of 1933 Registration Statement No. 333-210962 Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, dated May 5, 2016

EQUIFAX INC.

Final Term Sheet

Issuer:	Equifax Inc.
Trade Date:	May 5, 2016
Settlement Date (T+5)**:	May 12, 2016
Security:	2.300% Senior Notes due 2021 (the "2021 Notes") 3.250% Senior Notes due 2026 (the "2026 Notes")
Expected Ratings (Moody's/S&P)*:	Intentionally Omitted
Principal Amount:	2021 Notes: \$500,000,000 2026 Notes: \$275,000,000
Maturity:	2021 Notes: June 1, 2021 2026 Notes: June 1, 2026
Benchmark Treasury:	2021 Notes: UST 1.375% due April 30, 2021 2026 Notes: UST 1.625% due February 15, 2026
Benchmark Treasury Price/Yield:	2021 Notes: 100-25+ / 1.210% 2026 Notes: 98-27 / 1.754%
Spread to Benchmark Treasury:	2021 Notes: T+110 bps 2026 Notes: T+150 bps
Yield to Maturity:	2021 Notes: 2.310% 2026 Notes: 3.254%
Price to Public:	2021 Notes: 99.952% 2026 Notes: 99.964%
Coupon (Interest Rate):	2021 Notes: 2.300% 2026 Notes: 3.250%
Interest Payment Dates:	June 1 and December 1 of each year, beginning on December 1, 2016
Net Proceeds (before expenses):	\$769,873,500

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2021 Notes:

Prior to May 1, 2021, the Securities will be redeemable at the Issuer's option at any time or from time to time at a redemption price equal to (A) the greater of (i) 100% of the principal amount of such Securities and (ii) the sum of the present values of remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest (exclusive of interest accrued to the redemption date) on such Securities discounted to the redemption date on a semi-annual basis at the Treasury rate plus 20 bps, plus (B) accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date.

Beginning May 1, 2021, the Securities will be redeemable, in whole or in part from time to time, at the Issuer's option at 100% of the principal amount of the Securities being redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the date of redemption.

2026 Notes:

Prior to March 1, 2026, the Securities will be redeemable at the Issuer's option at any time or from time to time at a redemption price equal to (A) the greater of (i) 100% of the principal amount of such Securities and (ii) the sum of the present values of remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest (exclusive of interest accrued to the redemption date) on such Securities discounted to the redemption date on a semi-annual basis at the Treasury rate plus 25 bps, plus (B) accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date.

Beginning March 1, 2026, the Securities will be redeemable, in whole or in part from time to time, at the Issuer's option at 100% of the principal amount of the Securities being redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the date of redemption.

At 101% upon occurrence of Change of Control Triggering Event

2021 Notes: 294429 AK1 / US294429AK16

2026 Notes: 294429 AL9 / US294429AL98

CUSIP/ISIN Numbers:

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EQUIFAX INC.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

INDENTURE

DATED AS OF MAY 12, 2016

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THIS INDENTURE, dated as of May 12, 2016, between Equifax Inc., a Georgia corporation (the **"Company"**), having its principal office at 1550 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30309, and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee hereunder (the **"Trustee"**), having its Corporate Trust Office at 1349 W. Peachtree Street, NE, Suite 1050, Atlanta, Georgia 30309.

RECITALS

The Company may deem it appropriate to issue from time to time for its lawful purposes debt securities (hereinafter called the **Securities**") evidencing its indebtedness, and has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Indenture to provide for the issuance from time to time of the Securities, to be issued in one or more series as provided in this Indenture.

This Indenture is subject to the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act that are deemed to be incorporated into this Indenture and shall, to the extent applicable, be governed by such provisions.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Company, in accordance with its terms, have been done.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH:

For and in consideration of the premises and the purchase of the Securities by the Holders thereof, it is mutually covenanted and agreed, for the equal and proportionate benefit of all Holders of the Securities, as follows:

ARTICLE 1

DEFINITIONS AND OTHER PROVISIONS OF GENERAL APPLICATION

SECTION 101. DEFINITIONS.

For all purposes of this Indenture, except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) the terms defined in this Article 1 have the meanings assigned to them in this Article 1, and include the plural as well as the singular;

(2) all other terms used herein which are defined in the TIA, either directly or by reference therein, have the meanings assigned to them therein;

(3) all accounting terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings assigned to them in accordance with GAAP (as defined herein);

(4) the words "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or other subdivision; and

(5) any reference to an "Article," a "Section" or a "Subsection" refers to an Article, Section or Subsection, as the case may be, of this Indenture.

"Act," when used with respect to any Holder, has the meaning specified in Section 104.

"Additional Amounts" means any additional amounts which are required by a Security or by or pursuant to a Board Resolution, under circumstances specified therein, to be paid by the Company in respect of certain taxes imposed on certain Holders and which are owing to such Holders.

"Affiliate" of any specified Person means any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For the purposes of this definition, "control," when used with respect to any specified Person means the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise, and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing.

"Authenticating Agent" means the Trustee or any authenticating agent appointed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 611 to act on behalf of the Trustee to authenticate Securities.

"Bankruptcy Law" means Title 11 of the U.S. Code or any similar federal or state law for the relief of debtors.

"Board of Directors" means any of the board of directors of the Company, any committee of that board duly authorized to act hereunder, any committee consisting of one or more directors and/or officers of the Company duly authorized to act hereunder, or any one or more directors and/or officers of the Company duly authorized to act hereunder.

"Board Resolution" means, with respect to any Person, a copy of a resolution certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of such Person, to have been duly adopted by the Board of Directors of such Person and to be in full force and effect on the date of such certification, and delivered to the Trustee.

"Business Day" means, unless otherwise specified with respect to any Securities pursuant to Section 301, any day, other than a Saturday, a Sunday or other day on which banking institutions in The City of New York are authorized or required by law, regulation or executive order to remain closed or, when used with respect to a Place of Payment (other than The City of New York) or any other particular location referred to in this Indenture or in the Securities (other than The City of New York), any day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, that is not a day on which banking institutions in that Place of Payment or particular location are authorized or required by law, regulation or executive order to remained closed.

"Capital Stock" means any and all shares, interests, participations, rights or other equivalents (however designated) of corporate stock and, with respect to partnerships, partnership interests (whether general or limited) and 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, such partnership.

"Clearstream" means Clearstream Banking, N.A., or its successor.

"Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission, as from time to time constituted, created under the Exchange Act or, if at any time after the execution of this Indenture such Commission is not existing and performing the duties now assigned to it under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or the Trust Indenture Act, as the case may be, then the body or respective bodies performing such duties on such date.

"Common Depositary" shall have the meaning specified in Section 304.

"Common Stock" means the shares of common stock, par value \$1.25 per share, of the Company as they exist on the date of this Indenture or any other shares of Capital Stock of the Company into which the Common Stock shall be reclassified or changed or, in the event of a merger, consolidation or other similar transaction involving the Company that is otherwise permitted hereunder in which the Company is not the surviving corporation, the common stock, common equity interests, ordinary shares or depositary shares or other certificates representing common equity interests of such surviving corporation or its direct or indirect parent corporation.

"Company" means the Person named as the "Company" in the first paragraph of this Indenture until a successor entity shall have become such pursuant to the applicable provisions of this Indenture, and thereafter "Company" shall mean such successor entity.

"Company Request" and "Company Order" mean, respectively, a written request or order signed in the name of the Company by (a) its Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer or any Corporate Vice President or Senior Vice President and (b) one other Officer, and delivered to the Trustee.

"Corporate Trust Office" or other similar term means the designated office of the Trustee at which, at any particular time, its corporate trust business as it relates to this Indenture shall be administered, which office is, at the date as of which this Indenture is dated, located at 1349 W. Peachtree Street, NE, Suite 1050, Atlanta, GA 30309, or at any other time at such other address as the Trustee may designate from time to time by notice to the Company.

"covenant defeasance" has the meaning specified in Section 402(3).

"CUSIP" means the Committee on Uniform Securities Identification Procedures.

"default" means any event that is, or after notice or lapse of time or both would become, an Event of Default"Defaulted Interest" has the meaning specified in Section 307.

"Dollar" or "\$" means a dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

"DTC" has the meaning specified in Section 304.

"Euroclear" means Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, Brussels office, or its successor as operator of the Euroclear System.

"Event of Default" has the meaning specified in Section 501.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, as in effect from time to time, or any successor thereto.

"Exchange Date" shall have the meaning specified in Section 304.

"Foreign Currency" means any currency, currency unit or composite currency, including, without limitation, the ECU, issued by the government of one or more countries other than the United States of America or by any recognized confederation or association of such governments.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, consistently applied, as in effect from time to time; provided, that if the Company is required by the Commission to adopt (or is permitted to adopt and so adopts) a different accounting framework, including but not limited to the International Financial Reporting Standards, "GAAP" shall mean such new accounting framework as in effect from time to time, including, without limitation, in each case, those accounting principles set forth in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board or in such other statements by such other entity as approved by a significant segment of the accounting profession.

"Global Security" means a security evidencing all or a part of a series of Securities issued to and registered in the name of the depositary for such series, or its nominee, in accordance with Section 305, and bearing the legend prescribed in Section 203.

"Government Obligations" means securities which are:

(a) direct obligations of the United States of America, for the payment of which its full faith and credit is pledged; or

(b) obligations of a Person controlled or supervised by and acting as an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, the payment of which is unconditionally guaranteed as a full faith and credit obligation by the United States of America, and which, in either of the above cases, are not callable or redeemable at the option of the issuer thereof and also includes a depository receipt issued by a bank or trust company as custodian with respect to any such Government Obligation or a specific payment of interest on or principal of any such Government Obligation held by such custodian for the account of the holder of a depository receipt, provided that (except as provided by law) such custodian is not authorized to make any deduction from the amount payable to the holder of such depository receipt from any amount received by the custodian in respect of the Government Obligation or the specific payment of interest on or principal of the government Obligation or the specific payment of interest on or principal of the Government Obligation or the specific payment of interest on or principal of the Government Obligation or the specific payment of interest on or principal of the Government Obligation evidenced by such depository receipt.

"Holder" means the Person in whose name a Security is registered in the Security Register.

"Indebtedness" means (1) any liability of any Person (a) for borrowed money, or (b) evidenced by a bond, note, debenture or similar instrument (including purchase money obligations but excluding Trade Payables), or (c) for the payment of money relating to a lease that is required to

be classified as a capitalized lease obligation in accordance with GAAP, or (d) preferred or preference stock of a Subsidiary of the Company held by Persons other than the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company; (2) any liability of others described in the preceding clause (1) that the Person has guaranteed, that is recourse to such Person or that is otherwise its legal liability; and (3) any amendment, supplement, modification, deferral, renewal, extension or refunding of any liability of the types referred to in clauses (1) and (2) above.

"Indenture" means this instrument as originally executed and as it may be supplemented or amended from time to time by one or more indentures supplemental hereto entered into pursuant to the applicable provisions hereof, and shall include the terms of a particular series of Securities established as contemplated by Section 301; *provided, however*, that, if at any time more than one Person is acting as Trustee under this instrument, "Indenture" shall mean, with respect to any one or more series of Securities for which such Person is Trustee, this instrument as originally executed or as it may be supplemented or amended from time to time by one or more indentures supplemental hereto entered into pursuant to the applicable provisions hereof and shall include the terms of the, or those, particular series of Securities for which such Person is Trustee established as contemplated by Section 301, exclusive, however, of any provisions or terms which relate solely to other series of Securities for which such Person is not Trustee, regardless of when such terms or provisions were adopted, and exclusive of any provisions or terms adopted by means of one or more indentures supplemental hereto executed and delivered after such Person had become such Trustee but to which such Person, as such Trustee, was not a party.

"Interest," when used with respect to an Original Issue Discount Security which by its terms bears interest only after the Maturity Date, means interest payable after the Maturity Date, and, when used with respect to a Security which provides for the payment of interest or the payment of defeasances pursuant to Section 1008, includes such interest or Additional Amounts, as applicable.

"Interest Payment Date," when used with respect to any Security, means the Stated Maturity of an installment of interest on such Security.

"legal defeasance" has the meaning specified in Section 402(2).

"Lien" means any mortgage, deed of trust, lien, charge, pledge, security interest, security agreement, or other encumbrance of any kind.

"Maturity Date," when used with respect to any Security, means the date on which the principal of such Security or an installment of principal becomes due and payable as therein or herein provided, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, notice of redemption, notice of option to elect repayment or otherwise.

"Notice of Default" has the meaning specified in Section 501(3).

"Officer" and "officer" mean the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, any Corporate Vice President or Senior Vice President, the Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, the Controller, the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary, of the Company.

"Officers' Certificate" means a certificate signed by two Officers, one of whom must be the Person's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer or principal accounting officer.

"Opinion of Counsel" means a written opinion of counsel, who may be counsel for the Company or who may be an employee of or other counsel for the Company and who shall be satisfactory to the Trustee and delivered to the Trustee.

"Original Issue Discount Security" means any Security which provides for an amount less than the principal amount thereof to be due and payable upon a declaration of acceleration of the Maturity Date thereof pursuant to Section 502.

"Outstanding" when used with respect to any series of Securities, means, as of the date of determination, all Securities therefore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, *except:*

(1) Securities theretofore cancelled by the Trustee or delivered to the Trustee for cancellation;

(2) Securities, or portions thereof, for whose payment or redemption (including repayment at the option of the Holder) money in the necessary amount has been theretofore been deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent (other than the Company) in trust or set aside and segregated in trust by the Company (if the Company shall act as its own Paying Agent) for the Holders of such Securities; *provided, however*, that, if such Securities are to be redeemed, notice of such redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture or provision therefor satisfactory to the Trustee has been made;

(3) Securities, except to the extent provided in Section 402, with respect to which the Company has effected legal defeasance and/or covenant defeasance as provided in Article 4; and

(4) Securities which have been paid pursuant to Section 306 or in exchange for or in lieu of which other Securities have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture, other than any such Securities in respect of which there shall have been presented to the Trustee proof satisfactory to it that such Securities are held by a bona fide purchaser in whose hands such Securities are valid obligations of the Company;

provided however, that in determining whether the Holders of the requisite principal amount of the Outstanding Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver hereunder or are present at a meeting of Holders for quorum purposes, and for the purpose of making the calculation required by TIA Section 313, (i) the principal amount of an Original Issue Discount Security that may be counted in making such determination or calculation and that shall be deemed to be Outstanding for such purpose shall be equal to the amount of principal thereof that would be (or shall have been declared to be) due and payable, at the time of such determination, upon a declaration of acceleration of the maturity thereof pursuant to Section 502, (ii) the principal amount of an Security denominated in a Foreign Currency that may be counted in making such determination or calculation and that shall be deemed Outstanding for such purpose shall be equal to the Dollar equivalent, determined purpose to Section 301 as of the date such Security is originally issued by the Company, of the principal amount (or, in the case of an Original Issue Discount Security, the Dollar equivalent as

of such date of original issuance of the amount determined as provided in clause (i) above) of such Security, and (iii) Securities owned by the Company or of any other obligor upon the Securities or any Affiliate of the Company or of such other obligor shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in making such calculation or in relying upon any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities which the Trustee knows to be so owned shall be so disregarded. Securities owned as provided in clause (iii) above which have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to such Securities and that the pledgee is not the Company or any other obligor upon the Securities or any Affiliate of the Company or of such other obligor.

"Paying Agent" has the meaning specified in Section 104.

"Person" means an individual, a corporation, a partnership, a limited liability company, an association, a joint-stock company, a trust or any other entity or organization, including a government or political subdivision or an agency or instrumentality thereof.

"Place of Payment," when used with respect to the Securities of or within any series, means the place or places where the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on such Securities are payable as specified as contemplated by Sections 301 and 1002.

"Predecessor Security" of any particular Security means every previous Security evidencing all or a portion of the same debt as that evidenced by such particular Security; and, for the purposes of this definition, any Security authenticated and delivered under Section 306 in exchange for or in lieu of a mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall be deemed to evidence the same debt as the mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Security.

"Redemption Date" means, with respect to any Security or portion thereof to be redeemed in accordance with the provisions of Article 11, the date fixed for such redemption in accordance with the provisions of Article 11.

"Redemption Price" has the meaning provided in Section 1106.

"Registered Security" shall mean any Security which is registered in the Security Register.

"Regular Record Date" for the interest payable on any Interest Payment Date on the Registered Securities of or within any series means the date specified for that purpose as contemplated by Section 301, whether or not a Business Day.

"Repayment Date" means, when used with respect to any Security to be repaid at the option of the Holder, the date fixed for such repayment by or pursuant to this Indenture.

"Responsible Officer" when used with respect to the Trustee, means any officer in the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee with direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture and also means, with respect to a particular corporate trust matter, any other officer to whom such matter is referred because of such other officer's knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and who shall have direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, as in effect from time to time, and any successor thereto.

"Security" has the meaning stated in the first recital of this Indenture and, more particularly, means any Security or Securities authenticated and delivered under this Indenture; *provided, however,* that, if at any time there is more than one Person acting as Trustee under this Indenture, "Securities" with respect to the Indenture as to which such Person is Trustee shall have the meaning stated in the first recital of this Indenture and shall more particularly mean Securities authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, however, of Securities of any series as to which such Person is not Trustee.

"Security Register" and "Security Registrar" have the respective meanings specified in Section 305.

"Significant Subsidiary" means, with respect to the Company, any Subsidiary which is a "significant subsidiary" (as defined in Article 1, Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X, promulgated under the Securities Act) of the Company.

"Single Asset Entity" means a Person (other than an individual) that (a) only owns a single property; (b) is engaged only in the business of owning, developing and/or leasing such property; and (c) receives substantially all of its gross revenues from such property. In addition, if the assets of a Person consist solely of (i) equity interests in one other Single Asset Entity and (ii) cash and other assets of nominal value incidental to such Person's ownership of the other Single Asset Entity, such Person shall also be deemed to be a Single Asset Entity.

"Special Record Date" for the payment of any Defaulted Interest on the Registered Securities of or within any series means a date fixed by the Company pursuant to Section 307.

"Stated Maturity," when used with respect to any Security or any installment of principal thereof or Interest thereon, means the date specified in such Security or this Indenture as the fixed date on which the principal of such Security or such installment of principal or Interest is due and payable.

"Subsidiary" means for any Person, (1) any corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity of which at least a majority of the securities or other ownership interests having by the terms thereof ordinary voting power to elect a majority of the board of directors or other persons performing similar functions of such corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) is at the time directly or indirectly owned or controlled by such Person, or one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, and (2) any other entity the accounts of which are consolidated with those of such Person pursuant to GAAP.

"Trade Payables" means accounts payable or any other indebtedness or monetary obligations to trade creditors created or assumed in the ordinary course of business in connection with the obtaining of materials or services.

"Trust Indenture Act" or "TIA" means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, as in effect from time to time, and any successor thereto.

"Trustee" means the Person named as the "Trustee" in the first paragraph of this Indenture until a successor Trustee shall have become such pursuant to the applicable provisions of this Indenture, and thereafter "Trustee" shall mean or include each Person who is then a Trustee hereunder; *provided, however*, that if at any time there is more than one such Person, "Trustee" as used with respect to the Securities of any particular series shall mean only the Trustee with respect to Securities of that series.

"United States" means, unless otherwise specified with respect to any Securities pursuant to Section 301, the United States of America (including the states and the District of Columbia), its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction.

"United States Person" means, unless otherwise specified with respect to any Securities pursuant to Section 301, an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States, a corporation, partnership or other entity created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, an estate the income of which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of its source or a trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more United States fiduciaries have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

SECTION 102. COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATES AND OPINIONS.

Upon any application or request by the Company to the Trustee to take any action under any provision of this Indenture, the Company shall furnish to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate stating that all conditions precedent, if any, provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action have been complied with and an Opinion of Counsel stating that in the opinion of such counsel all such conditions precedent, if any, have been complied with, except that in the case of any such application or request as to which the furnishing of such documents is specifically required by any provision of this Indenture relating to such particular application or request no additional certificate or opinion need be furnished.

Every certificate or opinion with respect to compliance with a condition or covenant provided for in this Indenture (including certificates delivered pursuant to Section 1007) shall include:

(1) a statement that each individual signing such certificate or opinion has read such condition or covenant and the definitions herein relating thereto;

(2) a brief statement as to the nature and scope of the examination or investigation upon which the statements or opinions contained in such certificate or opinion are based;

(3) a statement that, in the opinion of each such individual, such individual has made such examination or investigation as is necessary to enable such individual to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such condition or covenant has been complied with; and

(4) a statement as to whether, in the opinion of each such individual, such condition or covenant has been complied with.

SECTION 103. FORM OF DOCUMENTS DELIVERED TO TRUSTEE.

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all such matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one such Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion as to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to some matters.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon an Opinion of Counsel, or a certificate or representations by counsel, unless such officer knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that the opinion, certificate or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such Opinion of Counsel or certificate or representations may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer or Officer stating that the information as to such factual matters is in the possession of the Company, unless such counsel knows that the certificate, opinion or representations as to such matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

SECTION 104. ACTS OF HOLDERS.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders of the Outstanding Securities of all series or one or more series, as the case may be, may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by such Holders in person or by agents duly appointed in writing. Except as herein otherwise expressly provided, such action shall become effective when such instrument or instruments or record or both are delivered to the Trustee and, where it is hereby expressly required, to the Company. Such instrument or instruments and any such record (and the action embodied therein and evidenced thereby) are herein sometimes referred to as the "Act" of the Holders signing such instrument or instruments or so voting at any such meeting. Proof of execution of any such instrument or of a writing appointing any such agent, or of the Holding by any Person of a Security, shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Company and any agent of the Trustee or the Company, if made in the manner provided in this Section 104. The record of any meeting of Holders of Securities shall be proved in the manner provided in Section 1406.

The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any such instrument or writing may be proved by the affidavit of a witness of such execution or by a certificate of a notary public or other officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, certifying that the individual signing such instrument or writing acknowledged to him the execution thereof. Where such execution is by a signer acting in a capacity other than his individual capacity, such certificate or affidavit shall also constitute sufficient proof of his authority. The fact and date of the execution of any such instrument or writing, or the authority of the Person executing the same, may also be proved in any other reasonable manner which the Trustee deems sufficient.

The ownership of Registered Securities shall be proved by the Security Register. As to any matter relating to beneficial ownership interests in any Global Security, the records of the appropriate depositary and of participants in such depositary shall be dispositive for purposes of this Indenture.

If the Company shall solicit from the Holders of Registered Securities any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other Act, the Company may, at its option, in or pursuant to a Board Resolution, fix in advance a record date for the determination of Holders entitled to give such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other Act, but the Company shall have no obligation to do so. Notwithstanding TIA Section 316(c), such record date shall be the record date specified in or pursuant to such Board Resolution, which shall be a date not earlier than the date 30 days prior to the first solicitation of Holders generally in connection therewith and not later than the date such solicitation is completed. If such a record date is fixed, such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other Act may be given before or after such record date, but only the Holders of record at the close of business on such record date shall be deemed to be Holders for the purposes of determining whether Holders of the requisite proportion of Outstanding Securities have authorized or agreed or consented to such request, demand, authorization, agreement or consent by the Holders on such record date shall be deemed effective unless it shall become effective pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture not later than eleven months after the record date.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other Act of the Holder of any Security shall bind every future Holder of the same Security and the Holder of every Security issued upon the registration of transfer thereof or in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee, any Security Registrar, any agent to whom Securities may be presented for payment (the **"Paying Agent"**), any Authenticating Agent or the Company in reliance thereon, whether or not notation of such action is made upon such Security.

SECTION 105. NOTICES, ETC., TO TRUSTEE AND COMPANY.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or Act of Holders or other document provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made upon, given or furnished to, or filed with,

(1) the Trustee by any Holder or by the Company shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if made, given, furnished or filed in writing to or with the Trustee at its Corporate Trust Office; or

(2) the Company by the Trustee or by any Holder shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to the Company addressed to it at the address of its principal office specified in the first paragraph of this Indenture or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by the Company, Attention: Chief Financial Officer; or



(3) either the Trustee or the Company, by the other party shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if given by facsimile transmission, receipt confirmed by telephone, followed by an original copy delivered by guaranteed overnight courier; if to the Trustee at facsimile number (404) 898-2467; and if to the Company at facsimile number (404) 885-8121.

SECTION 106. NOTICE TO HOLDERS; WAIVER.

Where this Indenture provides for notice of any event to Holders of Securities by the Company or the Trustee, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each such Holder affected by such event, at his address as it appears in the Security Register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, if any, prescribed for the giving of such notice. In any case where notice to Holders of Securities is given by mail, neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders of Securities. Any notice mailed to a Holder in the manner herein prescribed shall be conclusively deemed to have been received by such Holder, whether or not such Holder actually receives such notice.

If by reason of the suspension of or irregularities in regular mail service or by reason of any other cause it shall be impracticable to give such notice by mail, then such notification to Holders of Registered Securities as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall constitute a sufficient notification to such Holders for every purpose hereunder.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver required or permitted under this Indenture shall be in the English language, except that any published notice may be in an official language of the country of publication.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by the Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Holders shall be filed with the Trustee, but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture or any Security, where this Indenture or any Security provides for notice of any event (including any notice of redemption or repurchase) to a Holder (whether by mail or otherwise), during any period when a Global Security has been issued hereunder evidencing all or a part of any series of Securities such notice shall be sufficiently given if given to the depositary or its designee, including by electronic mail in accordance with accepted practices or procedures at the depositary.

SECTION 107. COUNTERPARTS; EFFECT OF HEADINGS AND TABLE OF CONTENTS.

This Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same Indenture. The Article and Section headings herein and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

SECTION 108. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS.

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Company shall bind its successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

SECTION 109. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.

In case any provision in this Indenture or in any Security shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

SECTION 110. BENEFITS OF INDENTURE.

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Securities, express or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto, any Security Registrar, any Paying Agent, any Authenticating Agent and their successors hereunder and the Holders any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

SECTION 111. GOVERNING LAW.

This Indenture and the Securities shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of the State of New York without regard, to the extent permitted by law, to conflicts of laws principles. This Indenture is subject to the provisions of the TIA that are required to be part of this Indenture and shall, to the extent applicable, be governed by such provisions.

SECTION 112. LEGAL HOLIDAYS.

In any case where any Interest Payment Date, Redemption Date, Repayment Date, sinking fund payment date, Stated Maturity or Maturity Date of any Security or the last date on which a Holder has the right to exchange a Security shall not be a Business Day at any Place of Payment, then (notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture or any Security, other than a provision in the Securities of any particular series which specifically states that such provision shall apply in lieu hereof), payment of principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) or exchange of such security need not be made at such Place of Payment on such date, but (except as otherwise provided with respect to such Security) may be made on the next succeeding Business Day at such Place of Payment with the same force and effect as if made on the Interest Payment Date, Redemption Date, Repayment Date or sinking fund payment date, or at the Stated Maturity or Maturity Date, or on such last day of exchange, provided that no interest shall accrue on the amount so payable for the period from and after such Interest Payment Date, Redemption Date, as the case may be.



SECTION 113. IMMUNITY OF STOCKHOLDERS, DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND AGENTS OF THE COMPANY.

No recourse under or upon any obligation, covenant or agreement contained in this Indenture or in any Security, or because of any indebtedness evidenced thereby, shall be had against any past, present or future stockholder, employee, officer or director, as such, of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, or of any successor, either directly or through the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, under any rule of law, statute or constitutional provision or by the enforcement of any assessment or by any legal or equitable proceeding or otherwise, all such liability being expressly waived and released by the acceptance of the Securities by the Holders and as part of the consideration for the issue of the Securities.

SECTION 114. CONFLICT WITH TRUST INDENTURE ACT.

If any provision hereof limits, qualifies or conflicts with another provision hereof which is required or deemed to be included in this Indenture by any of the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act, such required provision shall control. If any provision of this Indenture modifies or excludes any provision of the Trust Indenture Act that may be so modified or excluded, the latter provision shall be deemed to apply to this Indenture as so modified or to be excluded, as the case may be.

SECTION 115. COMMUNICATION BY HOLDERS WITH OTHER HOLDERS.

Holders of Securities of any series may communicate pursuant to TIA Section 312(b) with other Holders of Securities of such series or any other series with respect to their rights under this Indenture or the Securities of such series or all series. The Company, the Trustee, the Registrar and all other persons shall have the protection of TIA Section 312(c).

SECTION 116. PATRIOT ACT.

The parties hereto acknowledge that in accordance with Section 326 of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism (USA PATRIOT ACT) Act of 2001 (the "**Patriot Act**"), the Trustee, like all financial institutions and in order to help fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering, is required to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person or legal entity that establishes a relationship or opens an account with the Trustee. The parties to this Indenture agree that they shall provide the Trustee with such information as it may request in order for the Trustee to satisfy the requirements of the Patriot Act.

SECTION 117. WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL.

THE COMPANY AND THE TRUSTEE HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVE, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS INDENTURE, THE SECURITIES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

ARTICLE 2

SECURITIES FORMS

SECTION 201. FORMS OF SECURITIES.

The Securities of each series shall be in the form established in one or more Board Resolutions and, subject to Section 303 hereof, set forth in an Officers' Certificate, or established in one or more indentures supplemental hereto, shall have such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as are required or permitted by or pursuant to this Indenture or any indenture supplemental hereto, and may have such letters, numbers or other marks of identification or designation and such legends or endorsements placed thereon as the Company may deem appropriate and as are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Indenture, or as may be required to comply with any law or with any rule or regulation made pursuant thereto or with any rule or regulation of any securities exchange on which any series of the Securities may be listed, or to conform to usage.

Subject to Section 304, the definitive Securities shall be printed, lithographed or engraved, or produced by any combination of these methods, on a steel engraved border or steel engraved borders or mechanically reproduced on safety paper or may be produced in any other manner, all as determined by the Officers executing such Securities, as evidenced by their execution of such Securities.

SECTION 202. FORM OF TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION.

Subject to Section 611, the Trustee's certificate of authentication shall be in substantially the following form: This is one of the Securities of the series designated therein referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee

Dated:

By:

Authorized Signatory

SECTION 203. SECURITIES ISSUABLE IN GLOBAL FORM.

If Securities of or within a series are issuable in the form of one or more Global Securities, any such Global Security or Securities may provide that it or they shall represent the aggregate amount of all Outstanding Securities of such series (or such lesser amount as is permitted by the terms thereof) from time to time endorsed thereon and may also provide that the aggregate amount of Outstanding Securities of such series represented thereby may from time to time be increased or decreased to reflect exchanges. Any endorsement of any Global Security to reflect the amount, or any increase or decrease in the amount, of Outstanding Securities represented thereby shall be made by the Trustee in such manner or by such Person or Persons as shall be specified therein or in the Company Order to be delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 303 or 304. Subject to the provisions of Section 303 and, if applicable, Section 304, the Trustee shall deliver and redeliver any Global Security in permanent global form in the manner and upon instructions given by the Person or Persons specified therein or in the applicable Company

Order. If a Company Order pursuant to Section 303 or 304 has been, or simultaneously is, delivered, any instructions by the Company with respect to endorsement or delivery or redelivery of a Global Security shall be in writing but need not comply with Section 102 and need not be accompanied by an Opinion of Counsel.

The provisions of the last sentence of Section 303 shall apply to any Security represented by a Global Security if such Security was never issued and sold by the Company and the Company delivers to the Trustee the Global Security together with written instructions (which need not comply with Section 102 and need not be accompanied by an Opinion of Counsel) with regard to the reduction in the principal amount of Securities represented thereby, together with the written statement contemplated by the last sentence of Section 303.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 307, unless otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 301, payment of principal of and any premium and interest on any Global Security shall be made to the Person or Persons specified therein.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 308 and except as provided in the preceding paragraph, the Company, the Trustee and any agent of the Company and the Trustee shall treat as the Holder of such principal amount of Outstanding Securities represented by a permanent Global Security, the Holder of such permanent Global Security in registered form.

Any Global Security authenticated and delivered hereunder shall bear a legend, in addition to any other legend or legends permitted by Section 201, in substantially the following form:

This Security is a Global Security within the meaning set forth in the Indenture hereinafter referred to and is registered in the name of a depositary or a nominee of a depositary. This Security is exchangeable for Securities registered in the name of a person other than the depositary or its nominee only in the limited circumstances described in the Indenture, and, unless and until it is exchanged for Securities in definitive form as aforesaid, may not be transferred except as a whole by the depositary to a nominee of the depositary or by a nominee of the depositary or its nominee of the depositary or its nominee.

ARTICLE 3

THE SECURITIES

SECTION 301. AMOUNT UNLIMITED; ISSUABLE IN SERIES.

The aggregate principal amount of Securities which may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is unlimited.

The Securities may be issued in one or more series. There shall be established in one or more Board Resolutions or pursuant to authority granted by one or more Board Resolutions and, subject to Section 303, set forth in an Officers' Certificate, or established in one or more indentures supplemental hereto, prior to the issuance of Securities of any series:

(1) the title of the Securities of the series (which shall distinguish the Securities of such series from all other series of Securities);

(2) any limit upon the aggregate principal amount of the Securities of the series that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture (except for Securities authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Securities of the series pursuant to Section 304, 305, 306, 1107 or 1305);

(3) the date or dates, or the method by which such date or dates will be determined, on which the principal of the Securities of the series shall be payable;

(4) the rate or rates at which the Securities of the series shall bear interest, if any, or the method by which such rate or rates shall be determined, the date or dates from which such interest shall accrue or the method by which such date or dates shall be determined, the Interest Payment Dates on which such interest will be payable and the Regular Record Date, if any, for the interest payable on any Security on any Interest Payment Date, or the method by which such date shall be determined, and the basis upon which interest shall be calculated if other than that of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months;

(5) the place or places where the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11), if any, payable in respect of, Securities of the series shall be payable, any Registered Securities of the series may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange and notices or demands to or upon the Company in respect of the Securities of the series and this Indenture may be served;

(6) the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which, the currency or currencies, currency unit or units or composite currency or currencies in which, and other terms and conditions upon which Securities of the series may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the option of the Company, if the Company is to have the option;

(7) the obligation, if any, of the Company to redeem, repay or purchase Securities of the series pursuant to any sinking fund or analogous provision or at the option of a Holder thereof, and the period or periods within which or the date or dates on which, the price or prices at which, the currency or currencies, currency unit or units or composite currency or currencies in which, and other terms and conditions upon which Securities of the series shall be redeemed, repaid or purchased, in whole or in part, pursuant to such obligation;

(8) if other than denominations of \$2,000 and any integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof, the denominations in which any Securities of the series shall be issuable;

(9) if other than the Trustee, the identity of each Security Registrar and/or Paying Agent for the Securities of the series;

(10) if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of Securities of the series that shall be payable upon declaration of acceleration of the Maturity Date thereof pursuant to Section 502, or the method by which such portion shall be determined;

(11) if other than Dollars, the Foreign Currency or Currencies in which payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11), if any, on the Securities of the series shall be payable or in which the Securities of the series shall be denominated and the manner of determining the equivalent thereof in Dollars for purposes of the definition of "Outstanding" in Section 101;

(12) whether the amount of payments of principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11), if any, on the Securities of the series may be determined with reference to an index, formula or other method (which index, formula or method may be based, without limitation, on one or more currencies, currency units, composite currencies, equity indices or other indices), and the manner in which such amounts shall be determined;

(13) whether the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11), if any, on the Securities of the series are to be payable, at the election of the Company or a Holder thereof, in a currency or currencies, currency unit or units or composite currency or currencies other than that in which such Securities are denominated or stated to be payable, the period or periods within which, and the terms and conditions upon which, such election may be made, and the time and manner of, and identity of the exchange rate agent with responsibility for, determining the exchange rate between the currency or currencies, currency unit or units or composite currency or currencies in which such Securities are denominated or stated to be payable and the currency or currencies, currency unit or units or composite currency or currencies in which such Securities are to be so payable;

(14) provisions, if any, granting special rights to the Holders of Securities of the series upon the occurrence of such events as may be specified;

(15) any deletions from, modifications of or additions to the defined terms, Events of Default or covenants of the Company or other provisions of this Indenture with respect to Securities of the series, whether or not such defined terms, Events of Default, covenants or other provisions are consistent with the defined terms, Events of Default, covenants or other provisions set forth herein;

(16) whether any Securities of the series are to be issuable initially in temporary global form and whether any Securities of the series are to be issuable in permanent global form with or without coupons and, if so, whether beneficial owners of interests in any such permanent Global Security may exchange such interests for Securities of such series and of like tenor of any authorized form and denomination and the circumstances under which any such exchanges may occur, if other than in the manner provided in Section 305, and, if Registered Securities of the series are to be issuable as a Global Security, the identity of the depository for such series;

(17) the Person to whom any interest on any Security of the series shall be payable, if other than the Person in whose name that Security (or one or more Predecessor Securities) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such interest the manner in which, and the extent to which, or the manner in which, any interest payable on a temporary Global Security on an Interest Payment Date will be paid if other than in the manner provided in Section 304;

(18) the applicability, if any, of Section 402 to the Securities of the series and any provisions in modification of, in addition to or in lieu of any of the provisions of Article

(19) if the Securities of such series are to be issuable in definitive form (whether upon original issue or upon exchange of a temporary Security of such series) only upon receipt of certain certificates or other documents or satisfaction of other conditions, then the form and/or terms of such certificates, documents or conditions;

(20) if the Securities of the series are to be issued upon the exercise of warrants, the time, manner and place for such Securities to be authenticated and delivered;

(21) whether and under what circumstances the Company will pay Additional Amounts as contemplated by Section 1008 on the Securities of the series to any Holder who is not a United States Person (including any modification to the definition of such term) in respect of any tax, assessment or governmental charge and, if so, whether the Company will have the option to redeem such Securities rather than pay such Additional Amounts (and the terms of any such option);

(22) the terms and conditions, if any, upon which the Securities of the series may be convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock or other securities and the terms and conditions upon which such conversion or exchange may be effected, including, without limitation, the initial conversion or exchange price or rate (or manner of calculation thereof), the portion that is convertible or exchangeable or the method by which any such portion shall be determined, the conversion or exchange period, provisions as to whether conversion or exchange will be at the option of the holders or at the option of the Company, the events requiring an adjustment of the conversion or exchange price and provisions affecting conversion or exchange in the event of the redemption of such Securities;

(23) whether such Securities will be secured or unsecured and if secured, the nature of the collateral securing the Securities;

- (24) the ranking of such Securities; and
- (25) any other terms of the series.

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All Securities of any one series shall be substantially identical, except as to denomination and except as may otherwise be provided in or pursuant to such Board Resolution and set forth in such Officers' Certificate or in any such indenture supplemental hereto. All Securities of any one series need not be issued at the same time and, unless otherwise provided, a series may be reopened, without the consent of the Holders, for issuances of additional Securities of such series.

If any of the form or terms of the Securities of any series are established by action taken pursuant to one or more Board Resolutions, a copy of an appropriate record of such action(s) shall be certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Company and delivered to the Trustee at or before the delivery of the Officers' Certificate setting forth the terms of the Securities of such series.

SECTION 302. DENOMINATIONS.

The Securities of each series shall be issuable in such denominations as shall be specified as contemplated by Section 301. With respect to Securities of any series denominated in Dollars, in the absence of any such provisions with respect to the Securities or any series, the Securities of such series shall be issuable in denominations of \$2,000 and any integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

SECTION 303. EXECUTION, AUTHENTICATION, DELIVERY AND DATING.

The Securities shall be executed on behalf of the Company by its Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, one of its Corporate Vice Presidents or Senior Vice Presidents or its Treasurer. The signature of any of these officers on the Securities may be manual or facsimile signatures of the present or any future such authorized officer and may be imprinted or otherwise reproduced on the Securities.

Securities bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the proper officers of the Company shall bind the Company, notwithstanding that such individuals or any of them have ceased to hold such offices before the authentication and delivery of such Securities or did not hold such offices at the date of such Securities.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Company may deliver Securities of any series, executed by the Company to the Trustee for authentication, together with a Company Order for the authentication and delivery of such Securities, and the Trustee in accordance with the Company Order shall authenticate and deliver such Securities.

If all the Securities of any series are not to be issued at one time and if the terms of such series as established in or pursuant to a Board Resolution or supplemental indenture shall so permit, such Company Order may set forth procedures acceptable to the Trustee for the issuance of such Securities and determining the terms of particular Securities of such series, such as interest rate or formula, maturity date, date of issuance and date from which interest shall accrue.

In authenticating Securities of any series, and accepting the additional responsibilities under this Indenture in relation to such Securities, the Trustee shall receive, and (subject to TIA Section 315(a) through 315(d)) shall be fully protected in relying upon,

(1) an Opinion of Counsel stating to the effect that:

- (A) the form or forms of such Securities have been established in conformity with the provisions of this Indenture;
- (B) the terms of such Securities have been established in conformity with the provisions of this Indenture; and

(C) such Securities, when completed by appropriate insertions and executed and delivered by the Company to the Trustee for authentication in accordance with this Indenture, authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture and issued by the Company in the manner and subject to any conditions specified in such Opinion of Counsel, will constitute legally valid and binding obligations of the Company, enforceable in accordance with their terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, preferences and other similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors to general equitable principles, limitations on enforceability where such provisions are contrary to public policy and other customary exceptions; and

(2) an Officers' Certificate stating that all conditions precedent provided for in this Indenture relating to the issuance of the Securities have been complied with and that, to the best of the knowledge of the signers of such certificate, no Event of Default with respect to any of the Securities shall have occurred and be continuing.

If such form or terms have been so established, the Trustee shall not be required to authenticate such Securities if the issue of such Securities pursuant to this Indenture will adversely affect the Trustee's own rights, duties, obligations or immunities under the Securities and this Indenture or otherwise in a manner which is not reasonably acceptable to the Trustee.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 301 and of the preceding paragraph, if all the Securities of any series are not to be issued at one time, it shall not be necessary to deliver an Officers' Certificate otherwise required pursuant to Section 301 or a Company Order or an Opinion of Counsel or an Officers' Certificate otherwise required pursuant to the preceding paragraph at the time of issuance of each Security of such series, but such order, opinion and certificates, with appropriate modifications to cover such future issuances, shall be delivered at or before the time of the first Security of such series.

Each Security shall be dated the date of its authentication.

No Security shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose unless there appears on such Security a certificate of authentication substantially in the form provided for herein duly executed by the Trustee by manual signature of an authorized signatory, and such certificate upon any Security shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that such security has been duly authenticated and delivered hereunder and is entitled to the benefits of this Indenture. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Security (including a Global Security) shall have been authenticated and delivered hereunder but never issued and sold by the Company, and the Company shall deliver such Security to the Trustee for cancellation as provided in Section 309 together with a written statement (which need not comply with Section 102 and need not be accompanied by an Opinion of Counsel) stating that such Security has never been issued and sold by the Company, for all purposes of this Indenture.

SECTION 304. TEMPORARY SECURITIES.

Pending the preparation of definitive Securities of any series, the Company may execute, and upon receipt of a Company Order the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, temporary Securities which are printed, lithographed, typewritten, or otherwise produced, in any authorized denomination, substantially of the tenor of the definitive Securities in lieu of which they are issued, in registered form, or, if authorized, in bearer form with one or more coupons or without coupons, and with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as the officers executing such Securities may determine, as conclusively evidenced by their execution of such Securities. In the case of Securities of any series, such temporary Securities may be in global form.

Except in the case of temporary Securities (which shall be exchanged as otherwise provided herein or as otherwise provided in or pursuant to a Board Resolution or supplemental indenture), if temporary Securities of any series are issued, the Company will cause definitive Securities of that series to be prepared without unreasonable delay. After the preparation of definitive Securities of such series, the temporary Securities of such series shall be exchangeable for definitive Securities of such series upon surrender of the temporary Securities of such series, the Company in a Place of Payment for that series, without charge to the Holder. Upon surrender for cancellation of any one or more temporary Securities of any series, the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a like principal amount of definitive Securities of the same series of authorized denominations. Until so exchanged, the temporary Securities of any series shall in all respects be entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as definitive Securities of such series.

Unless otherwise provided in or pursuant to a Board Resolution, the following provisions of this Section 304 shall govern the exchange of temporary Securities other than through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company (**"DTC"**). If any such temporary Security is issued in global form, then such temporary Global Security shall, unless otherwise provided therein, be delivered to the London office of a depositary or common depositary (the **"Common Depositary"**), for the benefit of Euroclear and Clearstream, for credit to the respective accounts of the beneficial owners of such Securities (or to such other accounts as they may direct).

Without unnecessary delay but in any event not later than the date specified in, or determined pursuant to the terms of, any such temporary Global Security (th**é**'Exchange **Date**"), the Company shall deliver to the Trustee definitive Securities, in aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of such temporary Global Security, executed by the Company. On or after the Exchange Date, such temporary Global Security shall be surrendered by the Common Depositary to the Trustee, as the Company's agent for such purpose, to be exchanged, in whole or from time to time in part, for definitive Securities without charge, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for each portion of such temporary Global Security, an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive Securities of the same series of authorized denominations and of like tenor as the portion of such temporary Global Security to be exchanged. The definitive Securities to be delivered in exchange for any such temporary Global Security shall be in bearer form, registered form, permanent global bearer form or permanent global registered form, or any combination thereof, as specified as contemplated by Section 301, and, if any combination thereof is so specified, as requested by the beneficial owner thereof;

provided, however, that, unless otherwise specified in such temporary Global Security, upon such presentation by the Common Depositary, such temporary Global Security is accompanied by a certificate dated the Exchange Date or a subsequent date and signed by Euroclear as to the portion of such temporary global security held for its account then to be exchanged and a certificate dated the Exchange Date or a subsequent date and signed by Clearstream as to the portion of such temporary Global Security held for its account then to be exchanged, each in the form set forth in Exhibit A-1 to this Indenture or in such other form as may be established pursuant to Section 301.

Unless otherwise specified in such temporary Global Security, the interest of a beneficial owner of Securities of a series in a temporary Global Security shall be exchanged for definitive Securities of the same series and of like tenor following the Exchange Date when the account holder instructs Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, to request such exchange on his behalf and delivers to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, a certificate in the form set forth in Exhibit A-1 to this Indenture (or in such other form as may be established pursuant to Section 301), dated no earlier than 15 days prior to the Exchange Date, copies of which certificate shall be available from the offices of Euroclear and Clearstream, the Trustee, any Authenticating Agent appointed for such series of Securities and each Paying Agent. Unless otherwise specified in such temporary Global Security, any such exchange shall be made free of charge to the beneficial owners of such temporary Global Security, except that a Person receiving definitive Securities in person at the offices of Euroclear or Clearstream. Definitive Securities in bearer form to be delivered in exchange for any portion of a temporary Global Security shall be delivered only outside the United States.

Until exchanged in full as hereinabove provided, the temporary Securities of any series shall in all respects be entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as definitive Securities of the same series and of like tenor authenticated and delivered hereunder, except that, unless otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 301, interest payable on a temporary Global Security on an Interest Payment Date for Securities of such series occurring prior to the applicable Exchange Date shall be payable to Euroclear and Clearstream on such Interest Payment Date upon delivery by Euroclear and Clearstream to the Trustee of a certificate or certificates in the form set forth in Exhibit A-1 to this Indenture (or in such other forms as may be established pursuant to Section 301), for credit without further interest on or after such Interest Payment Date to the respective accounts of Persons who are the beneficial owners of such temporary Global Security on such Interest Payment Date in the form set forth in Exhibit A-1 to this Indenture (or in such other forms as may be established pursuant to Section 301). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, the certifications made pursuant to this paragraph shall satisfy the certification requirements of the preceding two paragraphs and of the third paragraph or Section 303 and the interests of the Persons who are the beneficial owners of the temporary Global Security with respect to which such certification was made will be exchange for definitive Securities of the Persons who are the beneficial owners of the temporary Global Security with respect to which such certification was made will be exchange for definitive Securities of the Persons who are the beneficial owners of the temporary Global Security with respect to a beneficial interest in a temporary Global Security will be made unless and until such this paragraph, no payments of principal or interest owing with respect to a beneficial interest in a temporary Global Security will be made unless and unti

such temporary Global Security shall have been exchanged for an interest in a definitive Security. Any interest so received by Euroclear and Clearstream and not paid as herein provided shall be returned to the Trustee prior to the expiration of two years after such Interest Payment Date in order to be repaid to the Company.

SECTION 305. REGISTRATION, REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE.

The Company shall cause to be kept at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee or in any office or agency of the Company in a Place of Payment a register for each series of Securities (the registers maintained in such office or in any such office or agency of the Company in a Place of Payment being herein sometimes referred to collectively as the **"Security Register"**) in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Company shall provide for the registration of Securities and of transfers of Securities. The Security Register shall be in written form or any other form capable of being converted into written form within a reasonable time. The Trustee, at its Corporate Trust Office, is hereby initially appointed "Security Registrar" for the purpose of registering Securities and transfers of Securities on such Security Register as herein provided. If the Trustee shall cease to be Security Registrar, it shall have the right to examine the Security Register at all reasonable times.

Subject to the provisions of this Section 305, upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Security of any series at any office or agency of the Company in a Place of Payment for that series, the Company shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Securities of the same series, of any authorized denominations and of a like aggregate principal amount, bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding, and containing identical terms and provisions.

Subject to the provisions of this Section 305, at the option of the Holder, Securities of any series may be exchanged for other Securities of the same series, of any authorized denomination or denominations and of a like aggregate principal amount, containing identical terms and provisions, upon surrender of the Securities to be exchanged at any such office or agency. Whenever any such Securities are so surrendered for exchange, the Company shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Securities which the Holder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

Except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 301, any permanent Global Security shall be exchangeable only as provided in this paragraph. If the depositary for any permanent Global Security is DTC, then, unless the terms of such Global Security expressly permit such Global Security to be exchanged in whole or in part for definitive Securities, a Global Security may be transferred, in whole but not in part, only to a nominee of DTC, or by a nominee of DTC to DTC, or to a successor to DTC for such Global Security selected or approved by the Company or to a nominee of such successor to DTC. If at any time (i) DTC notifies the Company that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary or if DTC ceases to be a clearing agency registered as such under the Exchange Act at any time when the depositary is required to be so registered in order to act as depositary for the applicable Global Security and a successor depositary is not appointed within 90 days after the Company receives such notice or learns of such ineligibility, (ii) the Company determines that the Securities of a series shall no longer be represented by a

Global Security and executes and delivers to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate to such effect or (iii) an Event of Default with respect to the Securities of such series shall have occurred and be continuing and beneficial owners representing a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series advise DTC to cease acting as depositary for the applicable Global Security, then the Company shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, definitive Securities of like series, rank, tenor and terms in definitive form in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of such Global Security or Securities. If any beneficial owner of an interest in a permanent Global Security is otherwise entitled to exchange such interest for Securities of such series and of like tenor and principal amount of another authorized form and denomination, as specified as contemplated by Section 301 and provided that any applicable notice provided in the permanent Global Security shall have been given, then without unnecessary delay but in any event not later than the earliest date on which such interest may be so exchanged, the Company shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, definitive Securities in aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of such beneficial owner's interest in such permanent Global Security. On or after the earliest date on which such interests may be so exchanged, such permanent Global Security shall have been given, there depositary as shall be specified in the Company Order with respect thereto to the Trustee, as the Company's agent for such purpose. If a Registered Security is issued in exchange for any portion of a permanent Global Security after the close of business at the office or agency where such exchange occurs on (i) any Regular Record Date and before the opening of business at such office or agency on the relevant Interest Payment Date or proposed date for payment as the case may be, in respect of such Regist

All Securities issued upon any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities shall be the valid obligations of the Company, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Securities surrendered upon such registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Security presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or for exchange or redemption shall (if so required by the Company or the Security Registrar) be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer (including evidence of title and identity) in form satisfactory to the Company and the Security Registrar, duly executed by the Holder thereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities, but the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities, other than exchanges pursuant to Section 304, 1107 or 1305 or the second sentence of the third preceding paragraph not involving any transfer.

Neither the Company nor the Trustee shall be required to (1) issue, register the transfer of or exchange any Security if such Security may be among those selected for redemption during a



period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the mailing or first publication, as the case may be, of notice of redemption of such Securities and ending at the close of business on the day of the mailing of the relevant notice of redemption, or (2) register the transfer of or exchange any Security, or portion thereof, so selected for redemption in whole or in part, except, in the case of any Security to be redeemed in part, the portion thereof not to be redeemed, or (3) issue, register the transfer of or exchange any Security which has been surrendered for repayment at the option of the Holder, except the portion, if any, of such Security not to be so repaid.

SECTION 306. MUTILATED, DESTROYED, LOST AND STOLEN SECURITIES.

If any mutilated Security is surrendered to the Trustee or the Company, together with, in proper cases, such security or indemnity as may be required by the Company or the Trustee to save each of them or any agent of either of them harmless, the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a new Security of the same series and principal amount, containing identical terms and provisions and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

If there shall be delivered to the Company and to the Trustee (1) evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Security and (2) such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them and any agent of either of them harmless, then, in the absence of notice to the Company or the Trustee that such Security has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, the Company shall execute and upon its request the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in lieu of any such destroyed, lost or stolen Security, a new Security of the same series and principal amount, containing identical terms and provisions and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

Notwithstanding the provisions of the previous two paragraphs, in case any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Security has become or is about to become due and payable, the Company in its discretion may, instead of issuing a new Security, pay such Security.

Upon the issuance of any new Security under this Section 306, the Company may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected therewith.

Every new Security of any series issued pursuant to this Section 306 in lieu of any destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall constitute an original additional contractual obligation of the Company, whether or not the destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall be at any time enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with any and all other Securities of that series duly issued hereunder.

The provisions of this Section 306 are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights and remedies with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Securities.

SECTION 307. PAYMENT OF INTEREST; INTEREST RIGHTS PRESERVED.

Except as otherwise specified with respect to a series of Securities in accordance with the provisions of Section 301, interest on any Security that is payable, and is punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date shall be paid to the Person in whose name that Security (or one or more Predecessor Securities) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such interest in the relevant Security Register; *provided, however*, that, except as otherwise specified with respect to a series of Securities in accordance with the provisions of Section 301, each installment of interest on any Security may at the Company's option be paid by (1) mailing a check for such interest payable to or upon the written order of the Person entitled thereto, to the address of such Person as it appears on the Security Register or (2) wire transfer to an account maintained by the payee located inside the United States.

Unless otherwise provided as contemplated by Section 301, every permanent Global Security will provide that interest, if any, payable on any Interest Payment Date will be paid to DTC, Euroclear and/or Clearstream, as the case may be, with respect to that portion of such permanent Global Security held for its account by Cede & Co. or the Common Depositary or other nominee, as the case may be, for the purpose of permitting such party to credit the interest received by it in respect of such permanent Global Security to the accounts of the beneficial owners thereof.

Except as otherwise specified with respect to a series of Securities in accordance with the provisions of Section 301, any interest on any Security of any series that is payable, but is not punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date (herein called **"Defaulted Interest"**) shall forthwith cease to be payable to the registered Holder thereof on the relevant Regular Record Date by virtue of having been such Holder, and such Defaulted Interest may be paid by the Company, at its election, in each case as provided in clause (1) or (2) below:

(1) The Company may elect to make payment of any Defaulted Interest to the Persons in whose names the Securities of such series (or their respective Predecessor Securities) are registered at the close of business on a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest, which shall be fixed in the following manner. The Company shall notify the Trustee in writing of the amount of Defaulted Interest proposed to be paid on each Security of such series and the date of the proposed payment (which shall not be less than 20 days after such notice is received by the Trustee), and at the same time the Company shall deposit with the Trustee an amount of money in the currency or currencies, currency unit or units or composite currency or currencies in which the Securities of such series are payable (except as otherwise specified pursuant to Section 301 for the Securities of such series) equal to the aggregate amount proposed to be paid in respect of such Defaulted Interest or shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for such deposit on or prior to the date of the proposed payment, such money when deposited to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to such Defaulted Interest as in this clause provided. Thereupon the Trustee shall fix a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest which shall be not more than 15 days and not less than 10 days prior to the date of the proposed payment and not less than 10 days after the receipt by the Trustee of the notice of the proposed payment. The Trustee shall promptly notify the Company of such Special Record Date and, in the name and at the expense of the Company, shall cause notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor to be mailed,

first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of Securities of such series at his address as it appears in the Security Register not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date. Notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor having been mailed as aforesaid, such Defaulted Interest shall be paid to the Persons in whose names the Securities of such series (or their respective Predecessor Securities) are registered at the close of business on such Special Record Date and shall no longer be payable pursuant to the following clause (2).

(2) The Company may make payment of any Defaulted Interest on the Securities of any series in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which such Securities may be listed, and upon such notice as may be required by such exchange, if, after notice given by the Company to the Trustee of the proposed payment pursuant to this clause, such manner of payment shall be deemed practicable by the Trustee.

Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Section 307 and Section 305, each Security delivered under this Indenture upon registration of transfer of or in exchange for or in lieu of any other Security shall carry the rights to interest accrued and unpaid, and to accrue, which were carried by such other Security.

SECTION 308. PERSONS DEEMED OWNERS.

Prior to due presentment of a Security for registration of transfer, the Company, the Trustee and any agent of the Company or the Trustee may treat the Person in whose name such Security is registered as the owner of such Security for the purpose of receiving payment of principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11), such Security and for all other purposes whatsoever, whether or not such Security be overdue, and neither the Company, the Trustee nor any agent of the Company or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. All such payments so made to any such Person, or upon such Person's order, shall be valid, and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for money payable upon any such Security.

No holder of any beneficial interest in any Global Security held on its behalf by a depositary shall have any rights under this Indenture with respect to such Global Security and such depositary (or its nominee) shall be treated by the Company, the Trustee, and any agent of the Company or the Trustee as the owner of such Global Security for all purposes whatsoever. None of the Company, the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Security Registrar will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests of a Global Security or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to any Global Security, nothing herein shall prevent the Company, the Trustee, or any agent of the Company or the Trustee, from giving effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by any depositary (or its nominee), as a Holder, with respect to such Global Security or impair, as between such depositary and owners of beneficial interests in such Global Security, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of such depositary (or its nominee) as Holder of such Global Security.

SECTION 309. CANCELLATION.

All Securities surrendered for payment, redemption, repayment at the option of the Holder, registration of transfer or exchange or for credit against any sinking fund payment shall, if surrendered to any Person other than the Trustee, be delivered to the Trustee, and any such Securities and Securities surrendered directly to the Trustee for any such purpose shall be promptly cancelled by the Trustee. The Company may at any time deliver to the Trustee for cancellation any Securities previously authenticated and delivered hereunder which the Company may have acquired in any manner whatsoever, and may deliver to the Trustee (or to any other Person for delivery to the Trustee) for cancellation any Securities previously authenticated hereunder which the Company has not issued and sold, and all Securities so delivered shall be promptly cancelled by the Trustee. If the Company shall so acquire any of the Securities, however, such acquisition shall not operate as a redemption or satisfaction of the indebtedness represented by such Securities unless and until the same are surrendered to the Trustee for cancellation. No Securities shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Securities cancelled as provided in this Section 309, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. Cancelled Securities held by the Trustee shall be returned to the Company.

SECTION 310. COMPUTATION OF INTEREST.

Except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 301 with respect to Securities of any series, interest on the Securities of each series shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

SECTION 311. PAYING AGENT TO HOLD MONEY IN TRUST.

The Company shall require each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to agree in writing that the Paying Agent will hold in trust, for the benefit of Holders of Securities of any series, or the Trustee, all money held by the Paying Agent for the payment of principal of or interest on such the Securities of such series, and will notify the Trustee of any default by the Company in making any such payment. While any such default continues, the Trustee may require a Paying Agent to pay all money held by it to the Trustee. The Company at any time may require a Paying Agent to pay all money held by it to the Trustee. Upon payment over to the Trustee, the Paying Agent (if other than the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company) shall have no further liability for the money. If the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company acts as Paying Agent, it shall segregate and hold in a separate trust fund for the benefit of Holders of Securities of any Series all money held by it as Paying Agent. Upon any bankruptcy, reorganization or similar proceeding with respect to the Company, the Trustee shall serve as Paying Agent for the Securities.

ARTICLE 4

SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE; DEFEASANCE

SECTION 401. SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE.

This Indenture shall upon a Company Request cease to be of further effect with respect to any series of Securities specified in such Company Request (except as to (i) rights hereunder of

Holders of the Securities of such series to receive all amounts owing upon the Securities of such series and the other rights, duties and obligations of Holders of the Securities of such series, as beneficiaries hereof with respect to the amounts, if any, so deposited with the Trustee, (ii) the rights, obligations and immunities of the Trustee hereunder and (iii) as provided below in this Section 401), and the Trustee, upon demand of and at the expense of the Company, shall execute instruments in form and substance satisfactory to the Trustee and the Company acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture when:

(1) either

(i) all Securities of such series theretofore authenticated and delivered (other than (A) Securities which have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 306, and (B) Securities for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust or segregated and held in trust by the Company and thereafter repaid to the Company or discharged from such trust, as provided in Section 406) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(ii) all Securities of such series not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

(A) have become due and payable, or

(B) will become due and payable at their Maturity Date within one year, or

(C) are to be called for redemption on a Redemption Date within one year under irrevocable arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Company,

and the Company, in the case of (A), (B) or (C) above, has irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee, as trust funds in trust for such purpose, money in the currency in which such Securities are denominated (except as otherwise provided pursuant to Section 301) in an amount sufficient to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Securities of such series not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, including the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on such Securities, to the date of such deposit (in the case of Securities which have become due and payable) or to the Maturity Date or such Redemption Date, as the case may be;

(2) the Company has paid or caused to be paid all other sums payable to the Trustee hereunder by the Company; and

(3) the Company has delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to such series have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, if money shall have been deposited with the Trustee pursuant to this Section 401, then the provisions of Sections 305, 306,

309, 607, 608(5), 1002, 1003 and 1010 and this Article 4 (other than Section 402) and, if the Securities of such series will be paid on a Redemption Date, Article 11 shall survive and remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 402. DEFEASANCE AND COVENANT DEFEASANCE.

(1) The Company may at its option by Board Resolution, at any time, elect to have Section 402(2) or Section 402(3) be applied to the Outstanding Securities of any particular series specified in such Board Resolution upon compliance with the conditions set forth below in this Section 402.

(2) Upon the Company's exercise of the above option applicable to this Section 402(2), the Company shall be deemed to have been discharged from its obligations with respect to the Outstanding Securities of such series on the date the conditions set forth in this Section 402(2) are satisfied (hereinafter, **"legal defeasance"**). For this purpose, such legal defeasance means that the Company shall be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire indebtedness represented by the Outstanding Securities of such series, which shall thereafter be deemed to be "Outstanding" only for the purposes of Sections 403 and 404 and the other provisions of this Indenture referred to below in this paragraph, and to have satisfied all of its other obligations under the Securities of such series and this Indenture insofar as the Securities of such series are concerned (and the Trustee, at the expense of the Company, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging the same), except for the following provisions hereof, which shall survive such legal defeasance and remain in full force and effect with respect to the Securities of such series: (i) the rights of Holders of the Securities of such series, solely from the trust fund described in Section 402(4)(i), payments in respect of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on the Securities of such series will be paid on a Redemption Date, Article 11, and (iii) the rights, obligations and immunities of the Trustee hereunder. The Company may exercise its option under this Section 402(2) notwithstanding the prior exercise of its option under Section 402(3).

(3) Upon the Company's exercise of the above option applicable to this Section 402(3) with respect to the Securities of any particular series, the Company shall be released from its obligations under Section 1004 with respect to such Securities to keep in full force and effect its rights (charter and statutory) and franchises (but, for the avoidance of doubt, shall not be released from their respective obligations with respect to such Securities to do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve and keep in full force and effect their respective existences (except as permitted under Article 8)) and Section 1005, inclusive on and after the date the conditions set forth in Section 402(4) are satisfied (hereinafter, "covenant defeasance"), and the Securities of such series shall thereafter be deemed to be not "Outstanding" for the purposes of any direction, waiver, consent or declaration or Act of Holders (and the consequences of any thereof) in connection with any such covenant, but shall continue to be deemed "Outstanding" for a particular series, the Company may omit to comply with, and shall have no liability in respect of, any term, condition or limitation set forth in any such Section, whether directly or indirectly, by reason of any reference elsewhere herein to any

such Section or by reason of reference in any such Section or to any other provision herein or in any other document and such omission to comply shall not constitute a default or an Event of Default under Section 501(3) or otherwise, as the case may be, but, except as specified above, the remainder of this Indenture, the Securities of such series shall be unaffected thereby.

(4) The following shall be the conditions to the effectiveness of legal defeasance pursuant to Section 402(2), and covenant defeasance pursuant to Section 402(3), to any Outstanding Securities of a series:

(i) The Company shall irrevocably have deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee as trust funds in trust for the purpose of making the following payments, specifically pledged as security for, and dedicated solely to, the benefit of the Holders of such Securities, (A) an amount in U.S. dollars, or (B) Government Obligations which through the scheduled payment of principal and interest in respect thereof in accordance with their terms will provide, not later than one day before the due date of any payment of principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on such Securities, money in an amount, or (C) a combination thereof, in any case, in an amount, sufficient, without consideration of any reinvestment of such principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest to Article 11), in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee, to pay and discharge, and which shall be applied by the Trustee to pay and discharge, the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest on such Securities on the Stated Maturity of such principal or installment of principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest and the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11 on the applicable Redemption Date, as the case may be, in accordance with the terms of this Indenture and such Securities.

(ii) In the case of legal defeasance pursuant to Section 402(2) with respect to Securities of a particular series, the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel reasonably acceptable to the Trustee stating that (x) the Company has received from, or there has been published by, the Internal Revenue Service a ruling, or (y) since the date of this Indenture there has been a change in applicable federal income tax law, in either case to the effect that, and based thereon such Opinion of Counsel shall confirm that, the Holders of such Securities will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such legal defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such legal defeasance had not occurred; or, in the case of covenant defeasance pursuant to Section 402(3), the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel reasonably acceptable to the assessing that the Holders of such Securities will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such legal defeasance had not occurred; or, in the case of covenant defeasance pursuant to Section 402(3), the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel reasonably acceptable to the Trustee and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such covenant defeasance had not occurred.

(iii) Such legal defeasance or covenant defeasance shall not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, this Indenture or any other material agreement or instrument to which the Company is a party or by which it is bound.

(iv) No Event of Default or event which with notice or lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing on the date of such deposit, and no Event of Default or event which with notice or lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default under Section 501(5) or 501(6) shall have occurred and be continuing at any time during the period ending on and including the 91st day after the date of such deposit.

(v) The Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent to the legal defeasance or covenant defeasance, as the case may be, under this Indenture have been complied with.

(vi) If the monies or Government Obligations or combination thereof, as the case may be, deposited under Section 402(4)(i) above are sufficient to pay the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on such Securities provided such Securities are redeemed on a particular Redemption Date, the Company shall have given the Trustee irrevocable instructions to redeem such Securities on such date and to provide notice of such redemption to Holders as provided in or pursuant to this Indenture.

(vii) Such legal defeasance or covenant defeasance will not cause the Trustee to have a conflicting interest for the purposes of the Trust Indenture Act with respect any of the Company's securities.

(viii) Such legal defeasance or covenant defeasance will not cause any securities listed on any registered national securities exchange under the Exchange Act to be delisted.

(ix) Such legal defeasance or covenant defeasance will be effected in compliance with any additional terms, conditions or limitations which may be imposed on the Company in connection therewith.

(5) The Company shall pay and indemnify the Trustee against any tax, fee or other charge, imposed on or assessed against the Government Obligations deposited pursuant to this Section 402 of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) received in respect thereof other than any such tax, fee or other charge which by law is for the account of the Holders of such Securities.

(6) Anything in this Section 402 to the contrary notwithstanding, the Trustee shall deliver or pay to the Company from time to time upon a Company Request any money or Government Obligations (or any proceeds therefrom) held by it as provided in Section 402(2)(i) which, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee, are in excess of the amount thereof which would then be required to be deposited to effect a legal defeasance or covenant defeasance, as applicable, in accordance with this Section 402.

SECTION 403. APPLICATION OF TRUST MONEY.

Subject to the provisions of Section 405, all money and Government Obligations (and proceeds therefrom) deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 401 or 402 in respect of Outstanding Securities of any series shall be held in trust and applied by it, in accordance with the provisions of such Securities and this Indenture, to the payment, either directly or through any Paying Agent (other than the Company or any of its Affiliates or Subsidiaries) as the Trustee may determine, to the Persons entitled thereto, of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) for whose payment such money has or Government Obligations have been deposited with or received by the Trustee; but such money and Government Obligations need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law.

SECTION 404. APPLICATION OF MONIES HELD.

Subject to the provisions of Section 405, the Trustee or a Paying Agent shall hold in trust, for the benefit of the Holders of Securities of a particular series, all money and Government Obligations (and proceeds therefrom) deposited with it pursuant to Sections 401 and 402 shall apply the deposited money and Government Obligations (and proceeds therefrom) in accordance with this Indenture and such Securities to the payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on such Securities.

SECTION 405. RETURN OF UNCLAIMED MONIES.

Subject to the restrictions of applicable law, the Trustee and each Paying Agent shall pay to the Company upon request any money held by them for the payment of principal (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) that remains unclaimed for two years after a right to such money has matured; *provided, however*, that the Trustee or such Paying Agent, before being required to make any such payment may, at the expense of the Company, cause to be mailed to each Holder entitled to such money, notice that such money remains unclaimed and that after a date specified therein, which shall be at least 30 calendar days from the date of such mailing, any unclaimed balance of such money then remaining will be repaid to the Company. After payment to the Company, Holders entitled to that money must look to the Company for payment as general creditors unless an applicable abandoned property law designates another person, and the Trustee and each Paying Agent shall be relieved of all liability with respect to such money.

SECTION 406. REINSTATEMENT.

If the Trustee or any Paying Agent is unable to apply any moneys or Government Obligations deposited pursuant to Section 401(1)(i) or 402(4)(i) to pay any principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on the Securities of a particular series by reason of any legal proceeding or any order or judgment of any court or governmental authority enjoining, restraining or otherwise prohibiting such

application, then the Company's obligations under this Indenture and such Securities shall be revived and reinstated as though no such deposit had occurred, until such time as the Trustee or Paying Agent is permitted to apply all such moneys and Government Obligations to pay the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on such Securities as contemplated by Section 401 or 402, as the case may be, and Section 403; *provided, however,* that if the Company makes any payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on such Securities following the reinstatement of its obligations as aforesaid, the Company shall be subrogated to the rights of the Holders of such Securities to receive such payment from the funds held by the Trustee or Paying Agent in trust.

ARTICLE 5

REMEDIES

SECTION 501. EVENTS OF DEFAULT.

In case any one or more of the following (each, an "Event of Default") (whatever the reason for such Event of Default and whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary or be effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body) shall have occurred and be continuing with respect to the Securities of any particular series:

(1) default in the payment of any Interest on the Securities of such series when such Interest becomes due and payable and continuance of such default for a period of 30 days;

(2) default in the payment of any principal (and premium, if any) (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) with respect to the Securities of such series, when due and payable, on the Maturity Date, upon acceleration, upon redemption or otherwise;

(3) default in the observance or performance of any other covenant or agreement of the Company in this Indenture (other than a covenant or warranty a default in whose performance or whose breach is elsewhere in this Section specifically dealt with or which has expressly been included in this Indenture solely for the benefit of a series of Securities other than that series) and continuance of such default for a period of 60 days after the Company receives written notice specifying the default (and demanding that such default be remedied) from the Trustee or the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such series then Outstanding and stating that such notice is a **"Notice of Default"** hereunder;

(4) default under any Indebtedness of the Company or of any or its Subsidiaries, having an aggregate principal amount outstanding of at least \$50,000,000, which default shall have resulted in such Indebtedness becoming or being declared due and payable prior to the date on which it would otherwise have become due and payable, without such Indebtedness having been discharged, or such acceleration having been rescinded or annulled, within the greater of (i) the period specified in such instrument and (ii) 60 days after written notice to the Company by the Trustee or Holders of at least 25% of the principal amount of the Securities of such series Outstanding;

(5) the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries pursuant to or under or within meaning of any Bankruptcy Law:

(i) commences a voluntary case; or

(ii) consents to the entry of an order for relief against it in an involuntary case; or

(iii) consents to the appointment of any receiver, trustee, assignee, liquidator or other similar official under any Bankruptcy Law of it or for all or substantially of its property; or

(iv) makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors; or

(6) a court of competent jurisdiction enters an order or decree under any Bankruptcy Law that:

(i) is for relief against the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries in an involuntary case; or

(ii) appoints a trustee, receiver, liquidator, custodian or other similar official of the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries or for all or substantially all of its property; or

(iii) orders the liquidation of the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries;

and, in each case in this clause (6), the order or decree remains unstayed and in effect for 90 calendar days;

then, and in each and every such case (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 501(5) and Section 501(6)), unless the principal of all of the Securities of such series shall have already become due and payable, either the Trustee or the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such series then Outstanding, by notice in writing to the Company (and to the Trustee if given by Holders of Securities), specifying the respective Event of Default and that such notice is a "notice of acceleration," may declare the principal amount of and premium, if any, as applicable, and Interest accrued and unpaid on, all the Securities of such series to be immediately due and payable, and upon any such declaration the same shall be immediately due and payable.

If an Event of Default specified in Section 501(5) or Section 501(6) occurs and is continuing, then the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest accrued and unpaid (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on all the Securities of such series shall be immediately due and payable without any declaration or other action on the part of the Trustee or any Holder of Securities of such series.

If, at any time after the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on the Securities of a particular series shall have been so declared due and payable, and before any judgment or decree for the payment of the monies due shall have been obtained or entered as hereinafter provided, Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such series then Outstanding on behalf of the Holders of all of the Securities of such series then Outstanding, by written notice to the Company and to the Trustee, may waive all defaults or Events of Default and rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences, subject in all respects to Section 507, if: (a) all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) that have been due solely because of such acceleration, have been cured or waived; (b) the Company shall have deposited with the Trustee as sum sufficient to pay all overdue Interest, including Interest on overdue principal and (to the extent that payment of such Interest is lawful) overdue installments of Interest, and all principal which has become due otherwise than by such acceleration; and (c) the Company has paid the Trustee its reasonable compensation and reimbursed the Trustee for its expenses, disbursements and advances pursuant to Section 606. No such waiver or rescission and annulment shall extend to or shall affect any subsequent default or Event of Default, or shall impair any right consequent thereon.

In case the Trustee shall have proceeded to enforce any right under this Indenture with respect to the Securities of a particular series and such proceedings shall have been discontinued or abandoned because of such waiver or rescission and annulment or for any other reason or shall have been determined adversely to the Trustee, then and in every such case the Company, the Holders of the Securities of such series, and the Trustee shall be restored respectively to their several positions and rights hereunder, and all rights, remedies and powers of the Company, the Holders of the Securities of such series, and the Trustee shall continue as though no such proceeding had been taken.

Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, Interest on any overdue installments of principal of and premium, if any, as applicable, and (to the extent that payment of such Interest is lawful) Interest on the Securities of a particular series shall accrue and be payable at the same rate as Interest is otherwise payable on such Securities.

SECTION 502. PAYMENTS OF SECURITIES ON DEFAULT; SUIT THEREFOR.

The Company covenants that in the case of an Event of Default with respect to Securities of a particular series pursuant to Section 501(1) or 501(2), upon demand of the Trustee, the Company will pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of such series, (i) the whole amount that then shall be due and payable on all such Securities for principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11), as the case may be, with Interest upon overdue principal and (to the extent that payment of such Interest is enforceable under applicable law) the overdue installments of accrued and unpaid Interest at the rate borne by such Securities from the required payment date and, (ii) in addition thereto, any amounts due the Trustee under Section 606. Until such demand by the Trustee, the Company may pay the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on the Securities to the registered Holders, whether or not such payments in respect of the Securities are overdue.

In case the Company shall fail forthwith to pay such amounts upon such demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as trustee of an express trust, shall be entitled and empowered to institute any actions or proceedings at law or in equity for the collection of the sums so due and unpaid, and may prosecute any such action or proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce any such final judgment or final decree against the Company or any other obligor on the Securities of such series and collect in the manner provided by law out of the property of the Company or any other obligor on the Securities of such series wherever situated the monies adjudged or decreed to be payable.

In case of the pendency of any receivership, insolvency, liquidation, bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, composition or other judicial proceeding relative to the Company or any other obligor upon the Securities of any particular series or the property of the Company or of such other obligor or their creditors, the Trustee (irrespective of whether the principal of the Securities of such series shall then be due and payable as therein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether the Trustee shall have made any demand on the Company for the payment of overdue principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on such Securities shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such proceeding or otherwise: (1) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including Interest on overdue principal and (to the extent that payment of such Interest is lawful) overdue Interest) and including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11, owing and unpaid in respect of such Securities and to file such other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel) and of the Holders of such Securities allowed in such judicial proceeding, and (ii) to collect and receive any moneys 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 Holder of such Securities to make such payments to the Trustee, and in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Holders of such Securities, to pay to the Trustee any amount due to it for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and any predecessor Trustee, their agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Trustee or any predecessor Trustee under Section 606. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Holder of a Security of any series any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Securities of such series or the rights of any Holder thereof, or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any Holder of Securities of such series in any such proceeding; provided, however, that the Trustee may, on behalf of the Holders of Securities, vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar official and may be a member of the creditors' committee.

All rights of action and of asserting claims under this Indenture, or under the Securities of any series, may be enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Securities of such series, or the production thereof at any trial or other proceeding relative thereto, and any such suit or proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall, after provision for the payment of the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel, be for the ratable benefit of the Holders of the Securities of such series.

In any proceedings brought by the Trustee (and in any proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party) the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Holders of the Securities, and it shall not be necessary to make any Holders of the Securities parties to any such proceedings.

SECTION 503. APPLICATION OF MONIES COLLECTED BY TRUSTEE.

Any monies collected by the Trustee pursuant to this Article 5 shall be applied in the following order, at the date or dates fixed by the Trustee for the distribution of such monies, upon presentation of the several Securities, and stamping thereon the payment, if only partially paid, and upon surrender thereof, if fully paid:

- FIRST: To the payment of costs and expenses of collection, including all sums paid or advanced by the Trustee hereunder and the reasonable compensation, expenses and disbursements of the Trustee, its agents and counsel all other amounts due the Trustee and any predecessor Trustee under Section 606;
- SECOND: To the payment of the amounts then due and unpaid upon the Securities for principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11), in respect of which or for the benefit of which such money has been collected, ratably, without preference or priority of any kind, according to the aggregate amounts due and payable on the Securities for principal (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11), respectively; and
- THIRD: To the payment of the remainder, if any, to the Company.

SECTION 504. PROCEEDINGS BY HOLDERS OF SECURITIES.

No Holder of any Security of any series shall have any right by virtue of or by reference to any provision of this Indenture to institute any suit, action or proceeding in equity or at law upon or under or with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver, trustee, liquidator, custodian or other similar official, or for any other remedy hereunder, except in the case of a default in the payment of principal (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on such Securities, unless (a) such Holder previously shall have given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default and of the continuance thereof with respect to the Securities of such series, as hereinbefore provided, (b) the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such series then Outstanding shall have made written request upon the Trustee to institute such action, suit or proceeding in its own name as Trustee hereunder and shall have offered to the Trustee such reasonable indemnity as it may require against the costs, liabilities or expenses to be incurred therein or thereby, (c) the Trustee for 60 calendar days after the receipt of such notice, request and offer of indemnity, shall have failed to institute any such action, suit or proceeding and (d)

no direction inconsistent with such written request shall have been given to the Trustee by Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of Securities of such series then Outstanding in accordance with Section 507; it being understood and intended, and being expressly covenanted by the taker and Holder of every Security with every other taker and Holder and the Trustee, that no one or more Holders of Securities shall have any right in any manner whatever by virtue of or by reference to any provision of this Indenture to affect, disturb or prejudice the rights of any other Holder of Securities, or to obtain or seek to obtain priority over or preference to any other such Holder, or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner herein provided and for the equal, ratable and common benefit of all Holders of Securities (except as otherwise provided herein). For the protection and enforcement of this Section 504, each and every Holder of Securities and the Trustee shall be entitled to such relief as can be given either at law or in equity.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture and any provision of any Security of any series, the right of any Holder of any Security of any series to receive payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on such Security, on or after the respective due dates expressed in such Security or in the event of redemption, or to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after such respective dates against the Company, shall not be impaired or affected without the consent of such Holder.

SECTION 505. PROCEEDINGS BY TRUSTEE.

If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing with respect to the Securities of any particular series, the Trustee may in its discretion proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Holders of such Securities by such appropriate judicial proceedings as the Trustee shall deem most effectual to protect and enforce any such rights, whether for the specific enforcement of any covenant or agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted herein, or to enforce any other proper remedy.

SECTION 506. REMEDIES CUMULATIVE AND CONTINUING.

To the extent permitted by law, all powers and remedies given by this Article5 to the Trustee or to the Holders of Securities of any particular series shall be deemed cumulative and not exclusive of any thereof or of any other powers and remedies available to the Trustee or the Holders of the Securities, by judicial proceedings or otherwise, to enforce the performance or observance of the covenants and agreements contained in this Indenture, and no delay or omission of the Trustee or of any Holder of any Securities of any particular series to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default or Event of Default occurring and continuing as aforesaid shall impair any such right or power, or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such default or any acquiescence therein, and, subject to the provisions of Section 504, every power and remedy given by this Article 5 or by law to the Trustee or to the Holders of such Securities may be exercised from time to time, and as often as shall be deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the Holders of such Securities.

SECTION 507. DIRECTION OF PROCEEDINGS AND WAIVER OF DEFAULTS BY MAJORITY OF HOLDERS OF SECURITIES.

The Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of a particular series at the time Outstanding shall have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee with respect to the Securities of such series; *provided* that (a) such direction shall not be in conflict with any rule of law or with this Indenture, (b) the Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee which is not inconsistent with such direction, and (c) the Trustee need not take any action which might involve it in personal liability or be unduly prejudicial to the Holders of such Securities not joining therein, it being understood that (subject to Section 602) the Trustee shall have no duty to ascertain whether or not such actions or forbearance are unduly prejudicial to such Holders.

The Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of any particular series at the time Outstanding may, on behalf of the Holders of all of the Securities of such series, waive any past default or Event of Default with respect to Securities of such series hereunder and its consequences *except* (i) a default in the payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on the Securities of such series, (ii) a default in the payment of the Redemption Price or any Interest on the Securities of such series called for redemption on a Redemption Date pursuant to Article 11, or (iii) a default in respect of a covenant or provisions hereof, which under Article 9 cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the Holders of all Securities of such series then Outstanding or each Security of such series affected thereby.

Upon any such waiver, such default with respect to such Securities shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default with respect to such Securities arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured, for every purpose of this Indenture; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other default or Event of Default with respect to such Securities or impair any right consequent thereon.

SECTION 508. UNDERTAKING TO PAY COSTS.

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of a Security of any particular series by its acceptance thereof shall be deemed to have agreed, that any court may, in its discretion, require, in any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee, the filing by any party litigant in such suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of such suit and that such court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses, against any party litigant in such suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by such party litigant; *provided that* the provisions of this Section 508 (to the extent permitted by law) shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee, to any suit instituted by any Holder of Securities of such series, or group of Holders of such series, so the enforcement of the payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on such Security on or after the due date expressed in such Security.

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ARTICLE 6

THE TRUSTEE

SECTION 601. NOTICE OF DEFAULTS.

Within 90 calendar days after the occurrence of any default hereunder, the Trustee shall transmit in the manner and to the extent provided in TIA Section 313(c), notice of such default hereunder known to a Responsible Officer of the Trustee, unless such default shall have been cured or *waived; provided, however*, that, except in the case of a default in the payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on any Security of a particular series, the Trustee shall be protected in withholding such notice if and so long as Responsible Officers of the Trustee in good faith determine that the withholding of such notice is in the interests of the Holders of the Securities of such series; and *provided further that* in the case of any default or breach with respect to Securities of any series of the character specified in Section 501(6), no such notice to Holders of Securities of such series shall be given until at least 60 days after the occurrence thereof.

SECTION 602. CERTAIN RIGHTS OF TRUSTEE.

Subject to the provisions of TIA Section 315(a) through 315(d):

(1) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, Officers' Certificate, certificate, statement, instrument, Opinion of Counsel, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, debenture, note, coupon or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(2) any request or direction of the Company mentioned herein shall be sufficiently evidenced by a Company Request or Company Order (other than delivery of any Security to the Trustee for authentication and delivery pursuant to Section 303 which shall be sufficiently evidenced as provided therein) and any resolution of the Board of Directors may be sufficiently evidenced by a Board Resolution;

(3) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee shall deem it desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering or omitting any action hereunder, the Trustee (unless other evidence be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely upon an Officers' Certificate;

(4) before the Trustee acts or refrains from acting, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the written advice of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken, suffered or omitted by it hereunder in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(5) the Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Holders of Outstanding Securities pursuant to this Indenture, unless such Holders shall have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred by it in compliance with such request or direction;

(6) the Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, debenture, note, coupon or other paper or document, unless requested in writing so to do by the Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of any series; *provided that*, if the payment within a reasonable time to the Trustee of the costs, expenses or liabilities likely to be incurred by it in the making of such investigation is, in the opinion of the Trustee, not reasonably assured to the Trustee by the security afforded to it by the terms of this Indenture, the Trustee may require reasonable indemnity agains such expenses or liabilities as a condition to proceeding; the reasonable expenses of every such examination shall be paid by the Holders or, if paid by the Trustee, shall be repaid by the Holders upon demand. The Trustee, in its discretion, may make such further inquiry or investigation, it shall be entitled to examine the books, records and premises of the Company relevant to the facts or matters that are the subject of its inquiry, personally or by agent or attorney;

(7) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents or attorneys and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any agent or attorney appointed with due care by it hereunder;

(8) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action taken, suffered or omitted by it in good faith and reasonably believed by it to be authorized or within the discretion, rights or powers conferred upon it by this Indenture;

(9) the Trustee shall not be required to give any bond or surety in respect of the performance of its powers and duties hereunder;

(10) the permissive rights of the Trustee to do things enumerated in this Indenture shall not be construed as a duty and the Trustee shall not be answerable for other than its negligence or willful misconduct; and

(11) except for (i) a default under Sections 501(1) or 501(2) hereof, or (ii) any other event of which a Responsible Officer of the Trustee has "actual knowledge" and which event constitutes or, with the giving of notice or the passage of time or both, would constitute an Event of Default under this Indenture with respect to Securities of any particular series, the Trustee shall not be deemed to have notice of any default or Event of Default unless specifically notified in writing of such event by the Company or the Holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such series then Outstanding; as used herein, the term**"actual knowledge"** means the actual fact or statement of knowing, without any duty to make any investigation with regard thereto.

The Trustee shall not be required to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers, if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it. Except during the continuance of an Event of Default, the Trustee undertakes to perform only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee. Other than with respect to Section 1001, the Trustee will have no duty to monitor, inquire as to or ascertain compliance with the covenants set forth in Article 10 or in indentures supplemental hereto in accordance with Article 9.

SECTION 603. NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR RECITALS OR ISSUANCE OF SECURITIES.

The recitals contained herein and in the Securities, except the Trustee's certificate of authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Company, and neither the Trustee nor any Authenticating Agent assumes any responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representations as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture or of the Securities, except that the Trustee represents that it is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture, authenticate the Securities and perform its obligations hereunder. Neither the Trustee nor any Authenticating Agent shall be accountable for the use or application by the Company of Securities or the proceeds thereof.

SECTION 604. MAY HOLD SECURITIES AND COMMON STOCK.

The Trustee, any Paying Agent, Security Registrar, Authenticating Agent or any other agent of the Company, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Securities or Common Stock and, subject to TIA Sections 310(b) and 311, may otherwise deal with the Company with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Security Registrar, Authenticating Agent or such other agent.

SECTION 605. MONEY HELD IN TRUST.

Money held by the Trustee in trust hereunder need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it hereunder except as otherwise agreed with the Company.

SECTION 606. COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT.

The Company agrees:

(1) to pay to the Trustee from time to time, and the Trustee shall be entitled to, reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it hereunder (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(2) except as otherwise expressly provided herein, to reimburse each of the Trustee and any predecessor Trustee upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with any provision of this Indenture (including the reasonable compensation and the reasonable expenses and disbursements of its agents and counsel), except any such expense, disbursement or advance as may be attributable to its negligence or willful misconduct; and

(3) to indemnify each of the Trustee and any predecessor Trustee for, and to hold it harmless against, any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence or willful misconduct on its part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the trust or trusts hereunder, including the costs and expenses of defending itself against or investigating any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of its powers or duties hereunder.

When the Trustee incurs expenses or renders services in connection with an Event of Default specified in Sections 501(5) or 501(6), the expenses (including the reasonable charges and expenses of its counsel) and the compensation for the services are intended to constitute expenses of administration under any applicable federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law.

As security for the performance of the obligations of the Company under this Section, the Trustee shall have a lien prior to the Securities upon all property and funds held or collected by the Trustee as such, except funds held in trust for the payment of principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on any Securities. The provisions of this Section shall survive the termination of this Indenture or the earlier resignation or removal of the Trustee.

SECTION 607. CORPORATE TRUSTEE REQUIRED; ELIGIBILITY; CONFLICTING INTERESTS.

There shall at all times be a Trustee hereunder which shall be eligible to act as Trustee under TIA Section 310(a)(1) and shall have a combined capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000. If such corporation publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or the requirements of federal, state, territorial or District of Columbia supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section, the combined capital and surplus of such corporation shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. If at any time the Trustee shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect hereinafter specified in this Article. The Trustee shall comply with the provisions of Section 310(b) of the Trust Indenture Act. Neither the Company nor any Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the Company shall serve as Trustee.

If and when the Trustee shall be or become a creditor of the Company or any other obligor under the Securities, the Trustee shall be subject to the provisions of the TIA regarding the collection of claims against the Company or any such other obligor, as the case may be.

SECTION 608. RESIGNATION AND REMOVAL; APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR.

(1) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee in accordance with the applicable requirements of Section 609.

(2) The Trustee may resign at any time by giving written notice thereof to the Company. If an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee shall not have been delivered to the Trustee within 30 days after the giving of such notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(3) The Trustee may be removed upon thirty days' written notice with respect to the Securities of any series by Act of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series delivered to the Trustee and to the Company.

(4) If at any time:

(i) the Trustee shall fail to comply with the provisions of TIA Section 310(b) after written request therefor by the Company or by any Holder of a Security who has been a bona fide Holder of a Security for at least six months, or

(ii) the Trustee shall cease to be eligible under Section 607 and shall fail to resign after written request therefor by the Company or by any Holder of a Security who has been a bona fide Holder of a Security for at least six months, or

(iii) the Trustee shall become incapable of acting or shall be adjudged a bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver of the Trustee or of its property shall be appointed or any public officer shall take charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation,

then, in any such case, (A) the Company by or pursuant to a Board Resolution may remove the Trustee and appoint a successor Trustee, or (B) subject to TIA Section $\Im 5(e)$, any Holder of a Security who has been a bona fide Holder of a Security for at least six months may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee with respect to all Securities and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

(5) If the Trustee shall resign, be removed or become incapable of acting, or if a vacancy shall occur in the office of Trustee for any cause with respect to the Securities of one or more series, the Company, by or pursuant to a Board Resolution, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee or Trustees with respect to the Securities of that or those series (it being understood that any such successor Trustee may be appointed with respect to the Securities of one or more or all of such series and that at any time there shall be only one Trustee with respect to the Securities of any particular series). If, within one year after such resignation, removal or incapability, or the occurrence of such vacancy, a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of any particular series). If, within one year after such resignation, removal or incapability, or the occurrence of such vacancy, a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of any particular series shall be appointed by Act of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series delivered to the Company and the retiring Trustee, the successor Trustee so appointed shall, forthwith upon its acceptance of such appointment, become the successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of such series and to that extent supersede the successor Trustee appointed by the Company. If no successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of such series shall have been so appointed by the Company or the Holders of such series and accepted appointment in the manner hereinafter provided, any Holder of Securities of such series who has been a bona fide Holder of Securities of such series for at least six months may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.



(6) Subject to Section 1002, the Company shall give notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing or causing to be mailed such notice to the Holders of Securities of such series as they appear on the Security Register. Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee with respect to such series and the address of its Corporate Trust Office.

SECTION 609. ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT BY SUCCESSOR.

(1) In case of the appointment hereunder of a successor Trustee with respect to all Securities, every such successor Trustee so appointed shall execute, acknowledge and deliver to the Company and to the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting such appointment, and thereupon the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and such successor Trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Company or the successor Trustee, such retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of its charges, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to such successor Trustee all the rights, powers and trusts of the retiring Trustee, and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to such successor Trustee all property and money held by such retiring Trustee hereunder, subject nevertheless to its claim, if any, provided for in Section 606.

(2) In case of the appointment hereunder of a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of one or more (but not all) series, the Company, the retiring Trustee and each successor Trustee shall execute and deliver an indenture supplemental hereto, pursuant to Article 9 hereof, wherein each successor Trustee shall accept such appointment and which (i) shall contain such provisions as shall be necessary or desirable to transfer and confirm to, and to vest in, each successor Trustee all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Trustee with respect to Securities of that or those series to which the appointment of such successor Trustee relates, (ii) if the retiring Trustee is not retiring as to all Outstanding Securities of that or those series to which the retiring Trustee is not retiring shall contain use the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to provide for or facilitate the administration of the trusts hereunder by more than one Trustee, it being understood that nothing herein or in such supplemental indenture shall constitute such Trustees of the same trust and that each such Trustee shall be trustee of a trust or trusts hereunder separate and apart from any trust or trusts hereunder administered by any other such Trustee; and upon the execution and delivery of such supplemental indenture the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective to the extent provided therein and each successor Trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Trustee shall become vested with espect to the Securities of that or those series to which the appointment of such successor Trustee shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Trustee is not retiring Trustee is not retiring trustee is not retiring trustee is not retire and upon the execution and delivery of such supplemental indenture the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become

(3) Upon request of any such successor Trustee, the Company shall execute any and all instruments for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor Trustee all such rights, powers and trusts referred to in paragraph (1) or (2) of this Section 609, as the case may be.

(4) No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of such acceptance such successor Trustee shall be qualified and eligible under this Article.

SECTION 610. MERGER, CONVERSION, CONSOLIDATION OR SUCCESSION TO BUSINESS.

Any corporation into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee shall be a party, or any corporation succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee hereunder, *provided* such corporation shall be otherwise qualified and eligible under this Article, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. In case any Securities shall have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to such authenticating Trustee may adopt such authenticated by such predecessor Trustee, any successor Trustee may authenticate and deliver such Securities. In case any Securities shall not have been authenticated by such predecessor Trustee, any such successor Trustee may authenticate and deliver such Securities, in either its own name or that of its predecessor Trustee, with the full force and effect which this Indenture provides for the certificate of authentication of the Trustee.

SECTION 611. APPOINTMENT OF AUTHENTICATING AGENT.

At any time when any of the Securities remain Outstanding, the Trustee may appoint an Authenticating Agent or Agents with respect to one or more series of Securities which shall be authorized to act on behalf of the Trustee to authenticate Securities of such series issued upon exchange, registration of transfer or partial redemption thereof, and such Securities so authenticated shall be entitled to the benefits of this Indenture and shall be valid and obligatory for all purposes as if authenticated by the Trustee hereunder. Any such appointment shall be evidenced by an instrument in writing signed by a Responsible Officer of the Trustee, a copy of which instrument shall be promptly furnished to the Company. Wherever reference is made in this Indenture to the authentication and delivery of Securities by the Trustee or the Trustee's certificate of authentication, such reference shall be deemed to include authentication and delivery on behalf of the Trustee by an Authenticating Agent. Each Authenticating Agent shall be acceptable to the Company and shall at all times be a bank or trust company or corporation organized and doing business and in good standing under the laws of the United States of America or of any state or the District of Columbia, authorized under such laws to act as Authenticating Agent, having a combined capital and surplus of not less than \$50,000,000 and subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authorities. If such Authenticating

Agent publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or the requirements of the aforesaid supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section, the combined capital and surplus of such Authenticating Agent shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. In case at any time an Authenticating Agent shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section, such Authenticating Agent shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in this Section.

Any corporation into which an Authenticating Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which such Authenticating Agent shall be a party, or any corporation succeeding to the corporate agency or corporate trust business of an Authenticating Agent, shall continue to be an Authenticating Agent, *provided* such corporation shall be otherwise eligible under this Section, without the execution or filing of any paper or further act on the part of the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent.

An Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and to the Company. The Trustee for any series of Securities may at any time terminate the agency of an Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to such Authenticating Agent and to the Company. Upon receiving such a notice of resignation or upon such a termination, or in case at any time such Authenticating Agent shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section, the Trustee may appoint a successor Authenticating Agent which shall be acceptable to the Company and shall give notice of such appointment to all Holders of Securities of the series with respect to which such Authenticating Agent will serve in the manner set forth in Section 106 by mailing or causing to be mailed such notice to the Holders of Securities of such series as they appear on the Security Register. Any successor Authenticating Agent upon acceptance of its appointment hereunder shall become vested with all the rights, powers and duties of its predecessor hereunder, with like effect as if originally named as an Authenticating Agent herein. No successor Authenticating Agent shall be appointed unless eligible under the provisions of this Section.

The Company agrees to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation including reimbursement of its reasonable expenses for its services under this Section.

If an appointment with respect to one or more series is made pursuant to this Section, the Securities may have endorsed thereon, in addition to or in lieu of the Trustee's certificate of authentication, an alternate certificate of authentication substantially in the following form:

"This is one of the Securities designated therein referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

By:

as Authenticating Agent

By:

Authorized Signatory

Dated:

SECTION 612. CERTAIN DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEE.

(1) With respect to the Securities, except during the continuance of an Event of Default with respect to any particular series of Securities:

(i) the Trustee undertakes to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Indenture, and imposed by the Trust Indenture Act and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

(ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; but in the case of any such certificates or opinions which by any provision hereof are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee, the Trustee shall be under a duty to examine the same to determine whether or not they conform to the requirements of this Indenture, but shall not be under any duty to verify the contents or accuracy thereof.

(2) In case an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise, as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of such person's own affairs.

(3) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own grossly negligent action, its own grossly negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) this Subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of Subsection (1) of this Section;

(ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer, unless it shall be proved that the Trustee was grossly negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

(iii) the Trustee shall not be liable to Holders of Securities of any particular series with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series relating to the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Trustee, under this Indenture;

(iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers, if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; and

(v) except as explicitly specified otherwise herein, the Company will be responsible for making all calculations required under this Indenture and the Securities. The Company will make all these calculations in good faith and, absent manifest error, the Company's calculations will be final and binding on Holders of the Securities. The Company will provide a schedule of its calculations to the Trustee, and the Trustee is entitled to rely upon the accuracy of the Company's calculations without independent verification. The Trustee will forward the Company's calculations to any Holder of the Securities upon request.

(4) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to the provisions of this Section 612.

ARTICLE 7

HOLDERS' LISTS AND REPORTS BY TRUSTEE AND COMPANY

SECTION 701. DISCLOSURE OF NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF HOLDERS.

Every Holder of Securities, by receiving and holding the same, agrees with the Company and the Trustee that neither the Company nor the Trustee nor any Authenticating Agent nor any Paying Agent nor any Security Registrar shall be held accountable by reason of the disclosure of any information as to the names and addresses of the Holders of Securities in accordance with TIA Section 312, regardless of the source from which such information was derived, and that the Trustee shall not be held accountable by reason of mailing any material pursuant to a request made under TIA Section 312(b).

SECTION 702. REPORTS BY TRUSTEE.

Within 60 days after May 15 of each year commencing with the first May 15 after the first issuance of Securities pursuant to this Indenture, the Trustee shall transmit by mail to all Holders of Securities as provided in TIA Section 313(c) a brief report dated as of such May 15 if required by TIA Section 313(a). A copy of each such report at the time of its mailing to Holders of Securities of any series shall be filed with the Commission and each national securities exchange on which the Securities of such series are listed. The Company shall promptly notify the Trustee when Securities of any series are listed on any national securities exchange.

SECTION 703. REPORTS BY THE COMPANY.

So long as any Securities are Outstanding, the Company will:

(1) file with the Trustee, within 15 days after the Company is required to file the same with the Commission, copies of the annual reports and information, documents and other reports which the Company may be required to file with the Commission pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act; or if the Company is not required to file information, documents or reports pursuant to those Sections, then the Company will file with the Trustee, such of the supplementary and periodic information, documents and reports which Section 13 of the Exchange Act may require with respect to a security listed and registered on a national securities exchange;

(2) file with the Trustee and the Commission, in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed from time to time by the Commission, such additional information, documents and reports with respect to compliance by the Company with the conditions and covenants of the Indenture as may be required from time to time by such rules and regulations; and

(3) transmit by mail to the Holders of Notes, within 30 days after the filing thereof with the Trustee, in the manner and to the extent required by TIA Section 313(c), such summaries of any information, documents and reports required to be filed by the Company pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2) of this Section as may be required by rules and regulations prescribed from time to time by the Commission.

Reports, information and documents filed with the Commission via the Commission's Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval system (**'EDGAR''**) will be deemed to be delivered to the Trustee as of the time of such filing via EDGAR for purposes of this covenant; provided, however, that the Trustee shall have no obligation whatsoever to determine whether or not such information, documents or reports have been filed via EDGAR. If, notwithstanding the foregoing, the Commission will not accept the required filings through EDGAR for any reason, the Company may make the reports referred to in clauses (1) and (2) above available on its website within fifteen (15) days after the Company would be required to file such reports with the Commission, and such reports will be deemed to be delivered to the Trustee as of the time they are made available.

Delivery of reports, information and documents to the Trustee under this Section 703 is for informational purposes only and the Trustee's receipt of the foregoing shall not imply a duty to review and shall not constitute constructive notice of any information contained therein, including the Company's compliance with any of its covenants hereunder.

SECTION 704. COMPANY TO FURNISH TRUSTEE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF HOLDERS.

The Company will furnish or cause to be furnished to the Trustee:

(1) semiannually, not later than 15 days after the Regular Record Date for interest for each series of Securities, a list, in such form as the Trustee may reasonably require, of the names

and addresses of the Holders of Securities of such series as of such Regular Record Date or, if there is no Regular Record Date for interest for such series of Securities, semiannually, upon such dates as are set forth in or established pursuant to the Board Resolution or indenture supplemental hereto authorizing such series, and

(2) at such other times as the Trustee may request in writing, within 30 days after the receipt by the Company of any such request a list of similar form and content as of a date not more than 15 days prior to the time such list is furnished, *provided, however*, that, so long as the Trustee is the Security Registrar, no such list shall be required to be furnished.

ARTICLE 8

CONSOLIDATION, MERGER, SALE, LEASE OR CONVEYANCE

SECTION 801. COMPANY MAY CONSOLIDATE ON CERTAIN TERMS.

(1) The Company shall not merge into or consolidate with any other Person or Persons or sell, lease, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any other Person or Persons, unless:

(i) the successor Person is a corporation organized under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia;

(ii) the successor Person expressly assumes, by an indenture supplemental hereto, executed and delivered to the Trustee, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, the Company's obligation for the due and punctual payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest on the Securities and the performance and observance of the covenants and conditions of the Securities and this Indenture on the part of the Company to be performed or observed;

(iii) immediately after giving effect to such transaction, no Event of Default, and no event which, after notice or the lapse of time, or both, would become an Event of Default, shall have occurred and be continuing; and

(iv) the Company or the successor Person, as the case may be, shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and Opinion of Counsel stating that such consolidation, merger, sale, conveyance, transfer, lease or other disposition and, if a supplemental indenture is required in connection with such transaction, such supplemental indenture complies with this Article and that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to such transaction have been complied with.

(2) The restrictions in Section 801(1) hereof shall not be applicable to the merger, amalgamation, arrangement or consolidation of the Company with a Subsidiary of the Company if the Company's Board of Directors determines in good faith that the purpose of such transaction is principally to change the state of incorporation of the Company or convert the form of organization of the Company to another form.

(3) No consolidation, merger, sale, conveyance, transfer or lease shall be permitted by this Section 801 unless prior thereto the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate of the Company and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that the Company's obligations hereunder and under the Securities shall remain in full force and effect thereafter.

SECTION 802. COMPANY SUCCESSOR TO BE SUBSTITUTED.

Upon any consolidation of the Company with, or merger of the Company into, any other Person or any sale, transfer, lease or other conveyance of its properties and assets substantially as an entirety in accordance with Section 801(1), the successor Person formed by such consolidation or into which the Company is merged or to which such sale, transfer, lease or other conveyance is made shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Company under this Indenture with the same effect as if such successor Person had been named as the Company herein, and thereafter, except in the case of a lease, the predecessor Person shall be released of all obligations to pay principal and Interest on the Securities and all other obligations and covenants under the Indenture and the Securities.

ARTICLE 9

SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

SECTION 901. SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES WITHOUT CONSENT OF HOLDERS OF SECURITIES.

The Company, when authorized by a Board Resolution, and the Trustee may from time to time, and at any time, enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto without the consent of any Holder of the Securities for any of the following purposes:

(1) to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency;

(2) to comply with the requirements of the Commission in order to effect or maintain the qualification of the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act;

(3) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee;

(4) to conform the terms of this Indenture and/or the Securities to any provision or other description of the Securities contained in the applicable prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement;

(5) to provide for the assumption by a successor corporation, partnership, trust or limited liability company of the Company's obligations under this Indenture and the Securities, in each case in compliance with the provisions thereof;

(6) to establish the form or terms of Securities of any series as permitted by Section 201 or 301;

(7) to comply with the rules of any applicable securities depository;

(8) to make any change that would provide any additional rights or benefits to the Holders of Securities of all or any series (including to secure the Securities of such series, and guarantees with respect thereto, transfer any property to or with the Trustee, add to the Company's covenants for the benefit of the Holders of Securities of such series, add any additional Events of Default, or surrender any right or power conferred upon the Company) or that does not adversely affect the legal rights hereunder of any Holder of the Securities of any series in any respect; or

(9) supplement any provision of this Indenture as shall be necessary to permit or facilitate the defeasance or discharge of the Securities of all or any series in accordance with this Indenture; provided that such action shall not adversely affect the interests of any Holder of the Securities of any series in any material respect.

Upon the written request of the Company, accompanied by Board Resolutions authorizing the execution of any supplemental indenture, the Trustee is hereby authorized to join with the Company in the execution of any such supplemental indenture, to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be therein contained and to accept the conveyance, transfer and assignment of any property thereunder, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to, but may in its discretion, enter into any supplemental indenture that affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise.

Any supplemental indenture authorized by the provisions of this Section 901 may be executed by the Company and the Trustee without the consent of the Holders of any of the Securities at the time Outstanding, notwithstanding any of the provisions of Section 902.

SECTION 902. SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE WITH CONSENT OF HOLDERS OF SECURITIES.

With the consent (evidenced as provided in Article 7) of the Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of all Outstanding Securities of each series affected by such supplemental indenture voting separately, the Company, when authorized by a Board Resolution, and the Trustee may, from time to time and at any time, enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto for the purpose of adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of this Indenture or any supplemental indenture or modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Securities; *provided* that no such supplemental indenture shall, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security of each such series affected by such supplemental indenture:

(1) reduce the percentage of Outstanding Securities necessary to modify or amend this Indenture, to waive compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults and their consequences provided in this Indenture, or to reduce the quorum or change voting requirements set forth in this Indenture;

(2) reduce the rate of, or change or have the effect of changing the time for payment of Interest, including Defaulted Interest, on any Security;

(3) reduce the principal amount of, or change or have the effect of changing the Stated Maturity of any Security, or adversely change the date on which any Security may be subject to redemption or reduce the Redemption Price therefor;

(4) make any Security payable in currency other than that stated in such Security or change the place of payment of any Security from that stated in such Security or in this Indenture;

(5) make any change in provisions of this Indenture protecting the right of each Holder of a Security to receive payment of principal of and Interest on such Security on or after the due date thereof or to bring suit to enforce such payment, or permitting Holders holding a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities to waive defaults or Events of Default;

(6) make any change to or modify the ranking of any Security that would adversely affect the Holders of such Security; or

(7) modify any of this Section 902 or any of the second paragraph of Section 507, except to increase the required percentage to effect the action or to provide that certain other provisions may not be modified or waived without the consent of the Holders of each of the Outstanding Securities affected thereby.

Upon the written request of the Company, accompanied by Board Resolutions authorizing the execution of any supplemental indenture, and upon the filing with the Trustee of evidence of the consent of Holders of Securities as aforesaid, the Trustee shall join with the Company in the execution of such supplemental indenture unless such supplemental indenture affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, in which case the Trustee may in its discretion, but shall not be obligated to, enter into such supplemental indenture.

It shall not be necessary for the consent of the Holders of Securities under this Section 902 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if such consent shall approve the substance thereof.

SECTION 903. EFFECT OF SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE.

Any supplemental indenture executed pursuant to the provisions of this Article 9 shall comply with the Trust Indenture Act, as then in effect*provided* that this Section 903 shall not require such supplemental indenture or the Truste to be qualified under the Trust Indenture Act prior to the time, if ever, such qualification is in fact required under the terms of the Trust Indenture Act or this Indenture has been qualified under the Trust Indenture Act, nor shall it constitute any admission or acknowledgment by any party to such supplemental indenture that any such qualification is required prior to the time, if ever, such qualification is in fact required under the Trust Indenture Act or this Indenture that any such qualification is required prior to the time, if ever, such qualification is in fact required under the terms of the Trust Indenture Act or this Indenture has been qualified under the Trust Indenture Act. Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to the provisions of this Article 9, this Indenture shall be and be deemed to be modified and amended in accordance therewith and the respective rights, limitation of rights, obligations, duties and immunities under this Indenture of the Trustee, the Company and the Holders of Securities shall thereafter be

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determined, exercised and enforced hereunder, subject in all respects to such modifications and amendments and all the terms and conditions of any such supplemental indenture shall be and be deemed to be part of the terms and conditions of this Indenture for any and all purposes.

SECTION 904. NOTATION ON SECURITIES.

Securities authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to the provisions of this Article 9 may bear a notation in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in such supplemental indenture. If the Company or the Trustee shall so determine, new Securities so modified as to conform, in the opinion of the Trustee and the Board of Directors, to any modification of this Indenture contained in any such supplemental indenture may, at the Company's expense, be prepared and executed by the Company, authenticated by the Trustee (or an authenticating agent duly appointed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 611) and delivered in exchange for the Securities then Outstanding.

SECTION 905. EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE OF SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE TO BE FURNISHED TO TRUSTEE.

Prior to entering into any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article 9, the Trustee shall be provided with an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel as conclusive evidence that any supplemental indenture executed pursuant hereto complies with the requirements of this Article 9 and is otherwise authorized or permitted by this Indenture.

ARTICLE 10

COVENANTS

SECTION 1001. PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST.

The Company covenants and agrees for the benefit of the Holders of each series of Securities that it will duly and punctually pay or cause to be paid when due the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) payable in respect of the Securities of that series in accordance with the terms of such series of Securities and this Indenture.

SECTION 1002. MAINTENANCE OF OFFICE OR AGENCY.

The Company shall maintain in each Place of Payment for such series of Securities an office or agency where Securities of that series may be presented or surrendered for payment, where Securities of that series may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange and where notices and demands to or upon the Company in respect of the Securities of that series and this Indenture may be served. The Company will give prompt written notice to the Trustee of the location, and any change in the location, of each such office or agency. If at any time the Company shall fail to maintain any such required office or agency or shall fail to furnish the Trustee with the address thereof, such presentations, surrenders, notices and demands may be made or served at the Corporate Trust Office, and the Company hereby appoints the same as its agent to receive such respective presentations, surrenders, notices and demands.

The Company may from time to time designate one or more other offices or agencies where the Securities of one or more series may be presented or surrendered for any or all of such purposes, and may from time to time rescind such designations; *provided, however*, that no such designation or rescission shall in any manner relieve the Company of its obligation to maintain an office or agency in accordance with the requirements set forth above for Securities of any series for such purposes. The Company will give prompt written notice to the Trustee of any such designation or rescission and of any change in the location of any such other office or agency. Unless otherwise specified with respect to any Securities pursuant to Section 301 with respect to a series of Securities, the Company hereby designates as a Place of Payment for each series of Securities the Corporate Trust Office, and initially appoints the Trustee at its Corporate Trust Office as Paying Agent and as its agent to receive all such presentations, surrenders, notices and demands.

Unless otherwise specified with respect to any Securities pursuant to Section 301, if and so long as the Securities of any series (1) are denominated in a Foreign Currency or (2) may be payable in a Foreign Currency, or so long as it is required under any other provision of this Indenture, then the Company will maintain with respect to each such series of Securities, or as so required, at least one exchange rate agent.

So long as the Trustee is the Securities Registrar, the Trustee agrees to mail, or cause to be mailed, the notices set forth in Section 608(6). If co-registrars have been appointed in accordance with this Section, the Trustee shall mail such notices only to the Company and the Holders of Outstanding Securities it can identify from its records.

SECTION 1003. MONEY FOR SECURITIES PAYMENTS TO BE HELD IN TRUST.

If the Company shall at any time act as its own Paying Agent with respect to any series of any Securities, it will, on or before each due date of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) in respect of, any of the Securities of that series, segregate and hold in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled thereto a sum in the currency or currencies, currency unit or units or composite currency or currencies in which the Securities of such series are payable (except as otherwise specified pursuant to Section 301 for the Securities of such series) sufficient to pay the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) so becoming due until such sums shall be paid to such Persons or otherwise disposed of as herein provided, and will promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act.

Whenever the Company shall have one or more Paying Agents for any series of Securities, it will, on or before each due date of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) in respect of, any Securities of that series, deposit with a Paying Agent a sum (in the currency or currencies, currency unit or units or composite currency or currencies described in the preceding paragraph) sufficient to pay the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) so becoming due, such sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to such principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) and (unless such Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Company will promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act.

The Company will cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which such Paying Agent shall agree with the Trustee, subject to the provisions of this Section 1003, that such Paying Agent will

(1) hold all sums held by it for the payment of principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on Securities in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled thereto until such sums shall be paid to such Persons or otherwise disposed of as herein provided;

(2) give the Trustee notice of any default by the Company (or any other obligor upon the Securities) in the making of any such payment of principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) on the Securities of that series; and

(3) at any time during the continuance of any such default upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by such Paying Agent.

The Company may at any time, for the purpose of obtaining the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, pay, or by delivery of a Company Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Company or such Paying Agent, such sums to be held by the Trustee upon the same terms as those upon which such sums were held by the Company or such Paying Agent; and, upon such payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, such Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to such sums.

Except as otherwise provided in the Securities of any series, any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent, or then held by the Company, in trust for the payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) in respect of, any Security of any such series and remaining unclaimed for two years after such principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) have become due and payable shall be paid to the Company upon Company Request or (if then held by the Company) shall be discharged from such trust; and the Holder of such Security shall thereafter, as an unsecured general creditor, look only to the Company for payment of such principal of (and premium, if any) and Interest (including the Redemption Price upon redemption pursuant to Article 11) in respect of, such Security, without interest thereon, and all liability of the Trustee or such Paying Agent, before being required to make any such repayment, may at the expense of the Company cause to be mailed to Holders of Registered Securities, or both, notice that such money remains unclaimed and that, after a date specified therein, which shall not be less than 30 days from the date of such notice, any unclaimed balance of such money then remaining will be repaid to the Company.

SECTION 1004. EXISTENCE.

Except as permitted under Article 8 the Company will do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve and keep in full force and effect its existence, rights (charter and statutory) and franchises. However, the Company will not be required to preserve any right or franchise if the

Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee of that Board of Directors) of the Company determines that the preservation of the right or franchise is no longer desirable in the conduct of the business of the Company.

SECTION 1005. PAYMENT OF TAXES AND OTHER CLAIMS.

The Company will pay or discharge or cause to be paid or discharged before it becomes delinquent:

(1) all taxes, assessments and governmental charges levied or imposed on it or any of its Subsidiaries or on its or any such Subsidiary's income, profits or property; and

(2) all lawful claims for labor, materials and supplies that, if unpaid, might by law become a Lien upon its property or the property of any of its Subsidiaries.

However, the Company will not be required to pay or discharge or cause to be paid or discharged any tax, assessment, charge or claim the amount, applicability or validity of which is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings.

SECTION 1006. APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES IN TRUSTEE'S OFFICE.

The Company, whenever necessary to avoid or fill a vacancy in the office of Trustee, will appoint, upon the terms and conditions and otherwise as provided in Section 608, a Trustee, so that there shall at all times be a Trustee hereunder.

SECTION 1007. STATEMENT AS TO COMPLIANCE.

The Company will deliver to the Trustee, within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year, an Officers' Certificate as to such officers' knowledge of the Company's compliance with all conditions and covenants under the Indenture and, in the event of any noncompliance, specifying such noncompliance and the nature and status thereof. For purposes of this Section 1007, such compliance shall be determined without regard to any period of grace or requirement of notice under the Indenture.

The Company will deliver to the Trustee, promptly upon becoming aware of (i) any default in the performance or observance of any covenant, agreement or condition contained in the Indenture, or (ii) any Event of Default, an Officers' Certificate specifying with particularity such default or Event of Default and further stating what action the Company has taken, is taking or proposes to take with respect thereto.

Any notice required to be given under this Section 1007 shall be delivered to a Responsible Officer of the Trustee at its Corporate Trust Office.

SECTION 1008. ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS.

If any Securities of a series provide for the payment of Additional Amounts, the Company will pay to the Holder of any Security of such series Additional Amounts as may be specified as contemplated by Section 301. Whenever in this Indenture there is mentioned the payment of the

principal of or any premium or interest on, or in respect of, any Security of any series, such mention shall be deemed to include mention of the payment of Additional Amounts provided by the terms of such series established pursuant to Section 301 to the extent that, in such context, Additional Amounts are, were or would be payable in respect thereof pursuant to such terms and express mention of the payment of Additional Amounts (if applicable) in any provisions hereof shall not be construed as excluding Additional Amounts in those provisions hereof where such express mention is not made.

Except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 301, if the Securities of a series provide for the payment of Additional Amounts, at least 10 days prior to the first Interest Payment Date with respect to that series of Securities (or if the Securities of that series will not bear interest prior to the Maturity Date, the first day on which a payment of principal and any premium is made), and at least 10 days prior to each date of payment of principal and any premium or interest if there has been any change with respect to the matters set forth in the below-mentioned Officers' Certificate, the Company will furnish the Trustee and the Company's principal Paying Agent or Paying Agents, if other than the Trustee, with an Officers' Certificate instructing the Trustee and such Paying Agent or Paying Agent such payment of principal of and any premium or interest on the Securities of that series shall be made to Holders of Securities of the series. If any such withholding shall be required, then such Officers' Certificate shall specify by country the amount, if any, required to be withheld on such payments to such Holders of Securities of that series and the Company will pay to the Trustee or such Paying Agent the Additional Amounts required by the terms of such Securities. If the Trustee or any Paying Agent, as the case may be, shall not so receive the above-mentioned Officers' Certificate, then the Trustee or such Paying Agent shall be entitled (1) to assume that no such withholding or deduction is required with respect to any payment of principal, premium or Interest with respect to any Securities of a series until it shall have received a certificate advising otherwise and (2) to make all payments of principal, premium and Interest with respect to the Securities of a series without withholding or deductions until otherwise advising out of or in connection with actions taken or omitted by any of them pursuant to this Section 1008 or in reliance on any Officers' Certificate furnished pursuant to this Section

SECTION 1009. WAIVER OF CERTAIN COVENANTS.

The Company may omit in any particular instance to comply with any term, provision or condition set forth in Sections 1004 to 1006, inclusive, with respect to the Securities of any series if before or after the time for such compliance the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of all Outstanding Securities of such series, by act of such Holders, either waive such compliance in such instance or generally waive compliance with such covenant or condition, but no such waiver shall extend to or affect such covenant or condition except to the extent so expressly waived, and, until such waiver shall become effective, the obligations of the Company and the duties of the Trustee in respect of any such term, provision or condition shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 1010. WAIVER OF USURY, STAY OR EXTENSION LAWS.

The Company covenants (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) that it will not at any time insist upon, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any usury, stay or extension law wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, which may affect the covenants or the performance of this Indenture or the Securities; and the Company (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waives all benefit or advantage of any such law and covenants that it will not hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee, but will suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law had been enacted.

ARTICLE 11

REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES

SECTION 1101. APPLICABILITY OF ARTICLE.

Securities of any series which are redeemable before their Stated Maturity shall be redeemable in accordance with their terms and (except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 301 for Securities of any series) in accordance with this Article 11.

SECTION 1102. ELECTION TO REDEEM; NOTICE TO TRUSTEE.

In case of any redemption at the election of the Company of the Securities of any series, the Company shall, at least three (3) days prior (unless a shorter notice shall be satisfactory to the Trustee) to the giving of the notice of redemption in Section 1104, notify the Trustee of such Redemption Date and of the principal amount of Securities of such series to be redeemed. In the case of any redemption of Securities prior to the expiration of any restriction on such redemption provided in the terms of such Securities or elsewhere in this Indenture, the Company shall furnish the Trustee with an Officers' Certificate evidencing compliance with such restriction.

SECTION 1103. SELECTION BY TRUSTEE OF SECURITIES TO BE REDEEMED.

If less than all the Securities of any series originally issued with the same terms are to be redeemed, the particular Securities to be redeemed shall be selected by such method as the Trustee shall deem fair and appropriate and which may provide for the selection for redemption of portions (equal to the minimum authorized denomination for Securities of that series or any integral multiple thereof) of the principal amount of Securities of such series of a denomination larger than the minimum authorized denomination for Securities of that *series; provided, however*, that so long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of a Global Security, such Global Security will be redeemed in accordance with the requirements of DTC.

The Trustee shall promptly notify the Company and the Security Registrar (if other than itself) in writing of the Securities selected for redemption and, in the case of any Securities selected for partial redemption, the principal amount thereof to be redeemed.

For all purposes of this Indenture, unless the context otherwise requires, all provisions relating to the redemption of Securities shall relate, in the case of any Security redeemed or to be redeemed only in part, to the portion of the principal amount of such Security which has been or is to be redeemed.

SECTION 1104. NOTICE OF REDEMPTION.

Notice of redemption shall be given in the manner provided in Section 106, not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date, unless a shorter period is specified by the terms of such series established pursuant to Section 301, to each Holder of Securities to be redeemed, but failure to give such notice in the manner herein provided to the Holder of any Security designated for redemption as a whole or in part, or any defect in the notice to any such Holder, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any other Security or portion thereof.

Any notice that is mailed to the Holders of Securities in the manner herein provided shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given, whether or not the Holder receives the notice.

All notices of redemption shall state:

(1) the Redemption Date;

(2) the Redemption Price and Additional Amounts, if any, payable upon redemption;

(3) if less than all Outstanding Securities of any series are to be redeemed, the identification (and, in the case of partial redemption, the principal amount) of the particular Security or Security or Securities to be redeemed;

(4) in case any Security is to be redeemed in part only, that on and after the Redemption Date, upon surrender of such Security, the holder will receive, without a charge, a new Security or Securities of authorized denominations for the principal amount thereof remaining unredeemed;

(5) that on the Redemption Date the Redemption Price and accrued interest to the Redemption Date payable as provided in Section 1106, if any, will become due and payable upon each such Security, or the portion thereof, to be redeemed and, if applicable, that interest thereon shall cease to accrue on and after said date;

(6) the Place or Places of Payment where such Securities are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest, if any;

(7) that the redemption is for a sinking fund, if such is the case; and

(8) the CUSIP number of such Securities, if any.

Notice of redemption of Securities to be redeemed at the election of the Company shall be given by the Company or, at the Company's request, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Company.

SECTION 1105. DEPOSIT OF REDEMPTION PRICE.

On or before any Redemption Date, the Company shall deposit or cause to be deposited with the Trustee or with a Paying Agent (or, if the Company is acting as its own Paying Agent, which it may not do in the case of a sinking fund payment under Article 12, segregate and hold in trust as provided in Section 1003) an amount of money in the currency or currencies, currency unit or units or composite currency or currencies in which the Securities of such series are payable (except as otherwise specified pursuant to Section 301 for the Securities of such series) sufficient to pay on the Redemption Date the Redemption Price of, and (except if the Redemption Date shall be an Interest Payment Date) accrued interest on, all the Securities or portions thereof which are to be redeemed on that date.

SECTION 1106. SECURITIES PAYABLE ON REDEMPTION DATE.

Notice of redemption having been given as aforesaid, the Securities so to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become due and payable at a redemption price therein specified (the **"Redemption Price"**) in the currency or currencies, currency unit or units or composite currency or currencies in which the Securities of such series are payable (except as otherwise specified pursuant to Section 301 for the Securities of such series) (together with accrued interest, if any, to the Redemption Date), and from and after such date (unless the Company shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) such Securities shall, if the same were interest-bearing, cease to bear interest. Upon surrender of any such Security for redemption in accordance with said notice, such Securities whose Stated Maturity is on or prior to the Redemption Date however that installments of interest on Securities whose Stated Maturity is on or prior to the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Holders of such Securities, or one or more Predecessor Securities, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant record dates according to their terms and the provisions of Section 307.

If any Security called for redemption shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for redemption, the principal (and premium, if any) shall, until paid, bear interest from the Redemption Date at the rate borne by or provided in, as the case may be, the Security.

SECTION 1107. SECURITIES REDEEMED IN PART.

Any Security which is to be redeemed only in part (pursuant to the provisions of this Article 11 or of Article 12) shall be surrendered at a Place of Payment therefor (with, if the Company or the Trustee so requires, due endorsement by, or a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Company and the Trustee duly executed by, the Holder thereof or his or her attorney duly authorized in writing) and the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Holder of such Security without service charge a new Security or Securities of the same series of any authorized denomination as requested by such Holder in aggregate principal amount equal to and in exchange for the unredeemed portion of the principal of the Security so surrendered. If a Global Security is so surrendered, the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the depositary, without service charge, a new Global Security in a denomination equal to and in exchange for the unredeemed portion of the principal of the principal of the Global Security so surrendered.



ARTICLE 12

SINKING FUNDS

SECTION 1201. APPLICABILITY OF ARTICLE.

The provisions of this Article 12 shall be applicable to any sinking fund for the retirement of Securities of a series except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 301 for Securities of such series.

The minimum amount of any sinking fund payment provided for by the terms of Securities of any series is herein referred to as a **"mandatory sinking fund payment,"** and any payment in excess of such minimum amount provided for by the terms of such Securities of any series is herein referred to as an **"optional sinking fund payment."** If provided for by the terms of any Securities of any series, the cash amount of any mandatory sinking fund payment may be subject to reduction as provided in Section 1202. Each sinking fund payment shall be applied to the redemption of Securities of any series as provided for by the terms of Securities of such series.

SECTION 1202. SATISFACTION OF SINKING FUND PAYMENTS WITH SECURITIES.

The Company may, in satisfaction of all or any part of any mandatory sinking fund payment with respect to the Securities of a series, (1) deliver Outstanding Securities of such series (other than any previously called for redemption) and (2) apply as a credit Securities of such series which have been redeemed either at the election of the Company pursuant to the terms of such Securities or through the application of permitted optional sinking fund payments pursuant to the terms of such Securities, as provided for by the terms of such Securities, or which have otherwise been acquired by the Company; *provided, however*, that such Securities so delivered or applied as a credit have not been previously so credited. Such Securities shall be received and credited for such purpose by the Trustee at the applicable Redemption Price specified in such Securities for redemption through operation of the sinking fund and the amount of such mandatory sinking fund payment shall be reduced accordingly.

SECTION 1203. REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES FOR SINKING FUND.

Not less than 60 days prior to each sinking fund payment date for Securities of any series, the Company will deliver to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate specifying the amount of the next ensuing mandatory sinking fund payment for that series pursuant to the terms of that series, the portion thereof, if any, which is to be satisfied by payment of cash in the currency or currencies, currency unit or units or composite currency or currencies in which the Securities of such series are payable (except as otherwise specified pursuant to Section 301 for the Securities of such series) and the portion thereof, if any, which is to be satisfied by delivering and crediting Securities of that series pursuant to Section 1202, and the optional amount, if any, to be added in cash to the next ensuing mandatory sinking fund payment, and will also deliver to the Trustee any Securities to be so delivered and credited. If such Officers' Certificate shall specify an optional amount to be added in cash to the next ensuing mandatory sinking fund payment, the Company shall thereupon be obligated to pay the amount therein specified. Not less than 30

days before each such sinking fund payment date the Trustee shall select the Securities to be redeemed upon such sinking fund payment date in the manner specified in Section 1103 and cause notice of the redemption thereof to be given in the name of and at the expense of the Company in the manner provided in Section 1104. Such notice having been duly given, the redemption of such Securities shall be made upon the terms and in the manner stated in Sections 1106 and 1107.

ARTICLE 13

REPAYMENT AT THE OPTION OF HOLDERS

SECTION 1301. APPLICABILITY OF ARTICLE.

Repayment of Securities of any series before their Stated Maturity at the option of Holders thereof shall be made in accordance with the applicable terms, if any, of such Securities and (except as otherwise specified by the terms of such series established pursuant to Section 301) in accordance with this Article 13.

SECTION 1302. REPAYMENT OF SECURITIES.

Securities of any series subject to repayment in whole or in part at the option of the Holders thereof will, unless otherwise provided in the terms of such Securities, be repaid at a price equal to the principal amount thereof, together with Interest, if any, thereon accrued to the Repayment Date specified in or pursuant to the terms of such Securities. The Company covenants that on or prior to the Repayment Date it will deposit with the Trustee or with a Paying Agent (or, if the Company is acting as its own Paying Agent, segregate and hold in trust as provided in Section 1003) an amount of money in the currency or currencies, currency unit or units or composite currency or currencies in which the Securities of such series are payable (except as otherwise specified pursuant to Section 301 for the Securities of such series) sufficient to pay the principal (or, if so provided by the terms of the Securities of such series, a percentage of the principal) of, and (except if the Repayment Date shall be an Interest Payment Date) accrued Interest on, all the Securities or portions thereof, as the case may be, to be repaid on such date.

SECTION 1303. EXERCISE OF OPTION.

Securities of any series subject to repayment at the option of the Holders thereof will contain an "Option to Elect Repayment" form on the reverse of such Securities. The principal amount of any Security providing for repayment at the option of the Holder thereof may not be repaid in part if, following such repayment, the unpaid principal amount of such Security would be less than the minimum authorized denomination of Securities of the series of which such Security to be repaid is a part. Except as otherwise may be provided by the terms of any Security providing for repayment at the option of the Holder thereof, exercise or the repayment option by the Holder shall be irrevocable unless waived by the Company.

SECTION 1304. WHEN SECURITIES PRESENTED FOR REPAYMENT BECOME DUE AND PAYABLE.

If Securities of any series providing for repayment at the option of the Holders thereof shall have been surrendered as provided in this Article 13 and as provided by or pursuant to the terms of such Securities, such Securities or the portions thereof, as the case may be, to be repaid shall become due and payable and shall be paid by the Company on the Repayment Date therein specified, and on and after such Repayment Date (unless the Company shall default in the payment of such Securities on such Repayment Date) such Securities shall, if the same were interest-bearing, cease to bear Interest. Upon surrender of any such Security for repayment in accordance with such provisions, the principal amount of such Security so to be repaid shall be paid by the Company, together with accrued Interest, if any, to the Repayment Date; and *provided however* that installments of Interest, if any, whose Stated Maturity is on or prior to the Repayment Date shall be payable (but without Interest thereon, unless the Company shall default in the payment thereof) to the Holders of such Securities, or one or more Predecessor Securities, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant record dates according to their terms and the provisions of Section 307.

If the principal amount of any Security surrendered for repayment shall not be so repaid upon surrender thereof, such principal amount (together with Interest, if any, thereon accrued to such Repayment Date) shall, until paid, bear interest from the Repayment Date at the rate of Interest borne by or provided in, as the case may be, such Security.

SECTION 1305. SECURITIES REPAID IN PART.

Upon surrender of any Security which is to be repaid in part only, the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Holder of such Security, without service charge and at the expense of the Company, a new Security or Securities of the same series, of any authorized denomination specified by the Holder, in an aggregate principal amount equal to and in exchange for the portion of the principal of such Security so surrendered which is not to be repaid.

ARTICLE 14

MEETINGS OF HOLDERS OF SECURITIES

SECTION 1401. PURPOSE FOR WHICH MEETINGS MAY BE CALLED.

A meeting of Holders of Securities of any particular series may be called at any time and from time to time pursuant to this Article 14 to make, give or take any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be made, given or taken by Holders of Securities of such series.

SECTION 1402. CALL, NOTICE AND PLACE OF MEETINGS.

(1) The Trustee may at any time call a meeting of Holders of Securities of any particular series for any purpose specified in Section 1401, to be held at such time and at such place as the Trustee shall determine. Notice of every meeting of Holders of Securities of any

particular series, setting forth the time and the place of such meeting and in general terms the action proposed to be taken at such meeting, shall be given, in the manner provided in Section 106, not less than 20 nor more than 180 days prior to the date fixed for the meeting.

(2) In case at any time the Company, pursuant to a Board Resolution, or the Holders of at least25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of any particular series shall have requested the Trustee to call a meeting of the Holders of Securities of such series for any purpose specified in Section 1401, by written request setting forth in reasonable detail the action proposed to be taken at the meeting, and the Trustee shall not have made the first publication of the notice of such meeting within 20 days after receipt of such request or shall not thereafter proceed to cause the meeting to be held as provided herein, then the Company or the Holders of Securities of such series in the amount above specified, as the case may be, may determine the time and the place for such meeting and may call such meeting for such purposes by giving notice thereof as provided in clause (1) of this Section 1402.

SECTION 1403. PERSONS ENTITLED TO VOTE AT MEETINGS.

To be entitled to vote at any meeting of Holders of Securities of any particular series, a Person shall be (1) a Holder of one or more Outstanding Securities of such series or (2) a Person appointed by an instrument in writing as proxy for a Holder or Holders of one or more Outstanding Securities of such series by such Holder or Holders. The only Persons who shall be entitled to be present or to speak at any meeting of Holders of Securities of any particular series shall be the Persons entitled to vote at such meeting and their counsel, any representatives of the Trustee and its counsel and any representatives of the Company and its counsel.

SECTION 1404. QUORUM; ACTION.

The Persons entitled to vote a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of a series shall constitute a quorum for a meeting of Holders of Securities of such series; *provided, however*, that if any action is to be taken at such meeting with respect to a request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action which this Indenture expressly provides may be given by the Holders of not less than a specified percentage in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of a series, the Persons entitled to vote such specified percentage in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series shall constitute a quorum within 30 minutes after the time appointed for any such meeting, the meeting shall, if convened at the request of Holders of Securities of such series, be dissolved. In any other case the meeting may be adjourned for a period of not less than 10 days as determined by the chairman of the meeting prior to the adjournment of such meeting. In the absence of a quorum at the reconvening of any such adjourned meeting, such adjourned meeting may be further adjourned for a period of not less than 10 days; at the reconvening of any meeting adjourned or further adjourned for lack of a quorum, the persons entitled to vote 25% in aggregate principal amount of the then Outstanding Securities of such set is shall constitute a quorum for the taking of any action set forth in the notice of the original meeting. Notice of the reconvening of any adjourned meeting shall be given as provided in Section 1402(2), except that such notice need be given only once not less than five days prior to the date on which the meeting is scheduled to be reconvend.

Except as limited by the proviso to Section 902, any resolution presented to a meeting or adjourned meeting duly reconvened at which a quorum is present as aforesaid may be adopted by the affirmative vote of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of that series; *provided, however*, that, except as limited by the proviso to Section 902, any resolution with respect to any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action which this Indenture expressly provides may be made, given or taken by the Holders of a specified percentage, which is less than a majority, in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of a series may be adopted at a meeting or an adjourned meeting duly reconvened and at which a quorum is present as aforesaid by the affirmative vote of the Holders of such specified percentage in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of that series.

Any resolution passed or decision taken at any meeting of Holders of Securities of particular any series duly held in accordance with this Section 1404 shall be binding on all the Holders of Securities of such series, whether or not present or represented at the meeting.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 1404, if any action is to be taken at a meeting of Holders of Securities of any particular series with respect to any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action that this Indenture expressly provides may be made, given or taken by the Holders of such series and one or more additional series:

(1) there shall be no minimum quorum requirement for such meeting and

(2) the aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of all such series that are entitled to vote in favor of such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action shall be taken into account in determining whether such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action has been made, given or taken under this Indenture.

SECTION 1405. DETERMINATION OF VOTING RIGHTS, CONDUCT AND ADJOURNMENT OF MEETINGS.

(1) Notwithstanding any provisions of this Indenture, the Trustee may make such reasonable regulations as it may deem advisable for any meeting of Holders of Securities of a series in regard to proof of the holding of Securities of such series and of the appointment of proxies and in regard to the appointment and duties of inspector of elections, the submission and examination of proxies, certificates and other evidence of the right to vote, and such other matters concerning the conduct of the meeting as it shall deem appropriate. Such regulations may provide that written instruments appointing proxies, regular on their face, may be presumed valid and genuine without the proof specified in Section 104 or other proof.

(2) The Trustee shall, by an instrument in writing appoint a temporary chairman of the meeting, unless the meeting shall have been called by the Company or by Holders of Securities as provided in Section 1402(2), in which case the Company or the Holders of Securities of the series calling the meeting, as the case may be, shall in like manner appoint a temporary chairman. A permanent chairman and a permanent secretary of the meeting shall be elected by vote of the Persons entitled to vote a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series represented at the meeting.

(3) At any meeting each Holder of a Security of such series or proxy shall be entitled to one vote for each \$1,000 principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series held or represented by him; *provided, however*, that no vote shall be cast or counted at any meeting in respect of any Security challenged as not Outstanding and ruled by the chairman of the meeting to be not Outstanding. The chairman of the meeting shall have no right to vote, except as a Holder of a Security of such series or proxy.

(4) Any meeting of Holders of Securities of any particular series duly called pursuant to Section 1402 at which a quorum is present may be adjourned from time to time by Persons entitled to vote a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series represented at the meeting, and the meeting may be held as so adjourned without further notice.

SECTION 1406. COUNTING VOTES AND RECORDING ACTION OF MEETINGS.

The vote upon any resolution submitted to any meeting of Holders of Securities of any particular series shall be by written ballots on which shall be subscribed the signatures of the Holders of Securities of such series or of their representatives by proxy and the principal amounts and serial numbers of the Outstanding Securities of such series held or represented by them. The permanent chairman of the meeting shall appoint two inspectors of votes who shall count all votes cast at the meeting for or against any resolution and who shall make and file with the secretary of the meeting their verified written reports in duplicate of all votes cast at the meeting. A record, at least in duplicate, of the proceedings of each meeting of Holders of Securities of any particular series shall be prepared by the secretary of the meeting and there shall be attached to said record the original reports of the inspectors of votes on any vote by ballot taken thereat and affidavits by one or more persons having knowledge of the fact, setting forth a copy of the affidavits of the permanent chairman and secretary of the meeting and one such copy shall be delivered to the Company and another to the Trustee to be preserved by the Trustee, the latter to have attached thereto the ballots voted at the meeting. Any record so signed and verified shall be conclusive evidence of the matters therein stated.

SIGNATURES

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Indenture to be duly executed all as of the day and year first above written.

EQUIFAX INC.

By: /s/ Mark E. Young

 Name:
 Mark E. Young

 Title:
 Senior Vice President and Treasurer

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

By: /s/ David Ferrell

Name: David Ferrell Title: Vice President

EXHIBIT A-1

FORMS OF CERTIFICATION

FORM OF CERTIFICATE TO BE GIVEN BY EUROCLEAR AND CLEARSTREAM S.A. IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXCHANGE OF A PORTION OF A TEMPORARY GLOBAL SECURITY OR TO OBTAIN INTEREST PAYABLE PRIOR TO THE EXCHANGE DATE

CERTIFICATE

[Insert title or sufficient description of Securities to be delivered]

This is to certify that, based solely on written certifications that we have received in writing, by tested telex or by electronic transmission from each of the persons appearing in our records as persons entitled to a portion of the principal amount set forth below (our "Member Organizations") substantially in the form attached hereto, as of the date hereof, [US\$] principal amount of the above-captioned Securities is owned by (i) person(s) that are not citizens or residents of the United States, domestic partnerships, domestic corporations or any estate or trust the income of which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of its source ("United States Person(s)"), (ii) United States Person(s) that are (a) foreign branches of United States financial institutions (financial institutions, as defined in United States Treasury Regulations Section 1.165-12(c)(1)(v), are herein referred to as "financial institutions") purchasing for their own account or for resale or (b) United States Person(s) who acquired the Securities through foreign branches of United States financial institutions such that we may advise Equifax Inc. or its agent that such financial institution will comply with the requirements of Section 1.65(j)(3)(A), (B) or (C) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations thereunder), or (iii) United States or foreign financial institutions (s) for purposes of resale during the restricted period (as defined in United States Treasury Regulations Section 1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(D)(7)), and, to the further effect, that financial institutions described in clause (iii) (whether or not also described in clause (i) or (ii)) have certified that they have not acquired the Securities for purposes of resale directly or indirectly to a United States Person or to a person within the United States or its possessions.

As used herein, "United States" means the United States of America (including the states and the District of Columbia); and its "possessions" include Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, Wake Island and the Northern Mariana Islands.

We further certify that (i) we are not making available herewith for exchange (or, if relevant, collection of any interest) any portion of the temporary Global Security representing the above-captioned Securities excepted in the above-referenced certificates of Member Organizations and (ii) as of the date hereof we have not received any notification from any of our Member Organizations to the effect that the statements made by such Member Organizations with respect to any portion of the part submitted herewith for exchange (or, if relevant, collection of any interest) are no longer true and cannot be relied upon as of the date hereof.

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We understand that this certification is required in connection with certain tax legislation in the United States. If administrative or legal proceedings are commenced or threatened in connection with which this certificate is or would be relevant, we irrevocably authorize you to produce this certificate or a copy thereof to any interested party in such proceedings.

Dated:

[To be dated no earlier than the Exchange Date or the relevant Interest Payment Date occurring prior to the Exchange Date, as applicable]

[Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, Brussels Office,] as Operator of the Euroclear System [Clearstream S.A.]

By:

EQUIFAX INC., AS ISSUER

AND

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE

FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

DATED AS OF MAY 12, 2016

FIRST SUPPLEMENT TO INDENTURE, DATED AS OF MAY 12, 2016, BETWEEN EQUIFAX INC. AND U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, dated as of May 12, 2016, between EQUIFAX INC., a Georgia corporation (the <u>'Issuer</u>"), having its principal office at 1550 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30309, and U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as trustee (the <u>"Trustee</u>"), having its Corporate Trust Office at 1349 W. Peachtree Street, NE, Suite 1050, Atlanta, Georgia 30309, under the Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016, between the Issuer and the Trustee (the <u>"Original Indenture</u>").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Issuer executed and delivered its Original Indenture to the Trustee to issue from time to time for its lawful purposes debt securities evidencing its indebtedness.

WHEREAS, the Original Indenture provides that by means of a supplemental indenture, the Issuer may create one or more series of its debt securities and establish the form and terms and conditions thereof.

WHEREAS, the Issuer desires to issue a series of senior debt securities under the Original Indenture, and has duly authorized the creation and issuance of such series of debt securities and the execution and delivery of this First Supplemental Indenture to modify the Original Indenture and provide certain additional provisions as hereinafter described;

WHEREAS, the Issuer and the Trustee deem it advisable to enter into this First Supplemental Indenture for the purposes of establishing the terms of such series of debt securities and providing for the rights, obligations and duties of the Trustee with respect to such debt securities;

WHEREAS, all conditions and requirements of the Original Indenture necessary to make this First Supplemental Indenture a valid, binding and legal instrument in accordance with its terms have been performed and fulfilled by the parties hereto and the execution and delivery thereof have been in all respects duly authorized by the parties hereto;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Issuer, acting through authority delegated to certain of its executive officers, has approved the creation of the Notes (as hereinafter defined) and the form, terms and conditions thereof;

WHEREAS, concurrently with the execution hereof, the Issuer has delivered an Officers' Certificate and has caused its counsel to deliver to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the consent of Holders to the execution and delivery of this First Supplemental Indenture is not required, and all other actions required to be taken under the Original Indenture with respect to this First Supplemental Indenture have been taken.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS AGREED:

ARTICLE ONE

Creation of The Notes

Section 1.1. <u>Designation of Series</u>. Pursuant to the terms hereof and <u>Section 301</u> of the Original Indenture, the Issuer hereby creates a series of its debt securities which shall be known as the "2.300% Senior Notes due 2021" (the "<u>Notes</u>"), which Notes shall be deemed "Securities" for all purposes under the Original Indenture.

Section 1.2. Form and Denomination of Notes. The definitive form of the Notes shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, which is incorporated herein and made part hereof. The Notes shall be ar interest, be payable and have such other terms as are stated in the form of Note and in the Original Indenture, as supplemented by this First Supplemental Indenture. The Notes shall be issued in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

Section 1.3. <u>Amount of Series</u>. Subject to <u>Section 1.9</u> hereof, the aggregate principal amount of the Notes that may be issued under this First Supplemental Indenture is initially limited to \$500,000,000. The Notes may, upon the execution and delivery of this First Supplemental Indenture or from time to time thereafter, be executed by the Issuer and delivered to the Trustee for authentication, and the Trustee shall thereupon authenticate and deliver said Notes upon the delivery of a Company Order.

Section 1.4. <u>Rank</u>. The Notes are unsecured and unsubordinated and shall rank equally in right of payment among themselves and with all of the Issuer's other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness.

Section 1.5. No Sinking Fund. No sinking fund shall be provided with respect to the Notes.

Section 1.6. Optional Redemption.

(a) Except as otherwise may be specified in this First Supplemental Indenture and in the Notes, Article Eleven of the Original Indenture shall be applicable to the Notes.

(b) Prior to May 1, 2021, the Issuer shall have the right to redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at a redemption price (the Optional Redemption Price") equal to the greater of:

(i) 100% of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the Redemption Date; and

(ii) the sum of the present values of the Remaining Scheduled Payments of principal and interest (exclusive of interest accrued to the Redemption Date) discounted to the Redemption Date on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate *plus* 20 basis points, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount being redeemed to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

(c) On or after May 1, 2021, the Issuer shall have the right to redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at the Issuer's option, for an amount in cash equal to 100% of the principal amount *plus* any accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount being redeemed to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

(d) The Issuer will mail notice of such redemption to the registered holders of the Notes to be redeemed not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date. If Notes are only partially redeemed pursuant to this <u>Section 1.6</u>, the Notes to be redeemed will be selected by the Trustee in such manner as in its sole discretion it shall deem appropriate and fair; *provided*, that if at the time of redemption the Notes to be redeemed are registered as a Global Note, the Depository shall determine, in accordance with its procedures, the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed held by each of its participants that holds a position in such Notes. The Optional Redemption Price shall be paid prior to

12:00 noon, New York time, on the Redemption Date or at such later time on such date as is then permitted by the rules of the Depository for the Notes (if then registered as a Global Note); *provided*, that the Issuer shall deposit with the Trustee an amount sufficient to pay the Optional Redemption Price by 10:00 a.m., New York time, on the date such Optional Redemption Price is to be paid.

Section 1.7. Definitions. For all purposes of this First Supplemental Indenture:

(a) Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings set forth in the Original Indenture;

(b) a term defined anywhere in this First Supplemental Indenture (including the exhibits hereto) has the same meaning throughout;

(c) the singular includes the plural and vice versa;

(d) headings are for convenience of reference only and do not affect interpretation;

(e) the following terms have the meanings given to them in this Section 1.7(e):

"Business Day" means, unless otherwise specified, any calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in New York, New York and on which commercial banks are open for business in New York, New York.

"<u>Comparable Treasury Issue</u>" means the United States Treasury security selected by an Independent Investment Banker as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term ("<u>Remaining Life</u>") of the Notes to be redeemed that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of the Notes.

"<u>Comparable Treasury Price</u>" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, (A) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such Redemption Date, or (B) if the Independent Investment Banker obtains fewer than three such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all such Quotations or, if only one such Quotation is obtained, such Quotation.

"Depository" means a clearing agency registered under Section 17A of the Exchange Act that is designated to act as Depository for the Notes.

"Independent Investment Banker" means an independent investment banking institution of national standing appointed by the Issuer, which may be one of the Reference Treasury Dealers.

"Redemption Date" means, with respect to any optional redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 1.6 hereof, the date fixed for such redemption pursuant to the Original Indenture and such Notes.

"<u>Reference Treasury Dealer</u>" means J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and their respective successors; *provided* that if any of the foregoing or any such successor shall cease to be a primary U.S. government securities dealer in New York City (a <u>Primary Treasury Dealer</u>"), the Issuer will substitute therefor another Primary Treasury Dealer.

"Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations" means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any Redemption Date, the average, as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, of the bid

and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Independent Investment Banker by the Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m. on the third Business Day preceding such Redemption Date.

"<u>Remaining Scheduled Payments</u>" means, with respect to the Notes to be redeemed, the remaining scheduled payments of the principal thereof and interest thereon that would be due at the related Redemption Date but before such redemption; provided, however, that if such Redemption Date is not an interest payment date, with respect to the Notes, the amount of the next succeeding scheduled interest payment thereon will be deemed to be reduced by the amount of interest accrued thereon to such Redemption Date.

"Treasury Rate" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, (i) the yield, under the heading which represents the average for the immediately preceding week, appearing in the most recently published statistical release designated "H.15(519)" or any successor publication which is published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and which establishes yields on actively traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity under the caption "Treasury Constant Maturities," for the maturity corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue (if no maturity is within three months before or after the Remaining Life, yields for the two published maturities most closely corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue shall be determined and the Treasury Rate shall be interpolated or extrapolated from such yields on a straight line basis, rounding to the nearest month), (ii) if the period from the Redemption Date to the Maturity Date of the Notes to be redeemed is less than one year, the weekly average yield on actually traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to a constant maturity of one year shall be used, or (iii) if such release (or any successor release) is not published during the week preceding the calculation date or does not contain such yields, the rate per annum equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated using a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such Redemption Date. The Treasury Rate shall be calculated by the Issuer on the third Business Day preceding such Redemption Date. The Trustee shall not be responsible for any such calculation.

Section 1.8. Notes Not Convertible or Exchangeable The Notes shall not be convertible or exchangeable for other securities or property.

Section 1.9. Issuance of Notes; Selection of Depository. The Notes shall be issued as Registered Securities in permanent global form, without coupons. The initial Depository for the Notes shall be The Depository Trust Company.

Section 1.10. <u>Issuance of Additional Notes</u>. From time to time subsequent to the date hereof, without the consent of the Holders of the Notes, the Issuer may create and issue additional Notes (the "Additional Notes") under the terms of the Original Indenture and this First Supplemental Indenture (and without need to execute any additional supplemental indenture). The Additional Notes shall be issued as part of the existing series of Notes issued pursuant to this First Supplemental Indenture and shall have terms identical in all material respects (except for the public offering price and the issue date and, if applicable, the initial interest accrual date and the initial Interest Payment Date) to any Outstanding Notes issued hereunder shall rank equally and ratably with the Notes originally issued pursuant to this First Supplemental Indenture, shall have the same CUSIP number (except for such Additional Notes that are not fungible with the Notes of the series for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which shall have a separate CUSIP number) and shall trade interchangeably with such Notes and shall otherwise constitute Notes for all other purposes hereof. Any Additional Notes may be issued pursuant to authorization provided by one or more Board Resolutions. No Additional Notes shall be issued at any time that there is an Event of Default under the Original Indenture with respect to the Notes that has occurred and is continuing.

Section 1.11. <u>Issuance of Additional Debt Securities</u>. In addition to the Notes, the Issuer may, from time to time, issue other series of debt securities under the Original Indenture consisting of debentures, notes or other unsecured, unsubordinated evidences of indebtedness, but such other series will be separate from and independent of the Notes. The Original Indenture does not limit the amount of debt securities or any other debt (whether secured or unsecured) which the Issuer may incur.

ARTICLE TWO

Appointment of the Trustee For the Notes

Section 2.1. <u>Appointment of Trustee</u>; <u>Acceptance by Trustee</u>. Pursuant and subject to the Original Indenture, the Issuer hereby appoints U.S. Bank National Association to act on behalf of the Holders of the Notes. By execution, acknowledgment and delivery of this First Supplemental Indenture, the Trustee hereby accepts appointment as trustee with respect to the Notes, and agrees to perform the duties and obligations of the Trustee with respect to the Notes upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Original Indenture and in this First Supplemental Indenture.

Section 2.2. <u>Rights, Powers, Duties and Obligations of the Trustee</u> Any rights, powers, duties and obligations by any provisions of the Original Indenture conferred or imposed upon the Trustee shall, insofar as permitted by law, be conferred or imposed upon and exercised or performed by the Trustee with respect to the Notes.

Section 2.3. <u>Rights in Indenture Applicable to Trustee</u>. U.S. Bank National Association, in its capacity as Trustee, shall be afforded all of the rights, powers, immunities and indemnities of the Trustee as set forth in the Original Indenture as if such rights, powers, immunities and indemnities were specifically set forth herein.

ARTICLE THREE

Change of Control Offer

Section 3.1. Change of Control Offer.

(a) If a Change of Control Triggering Event occurs, unless the Issuer has exercised its option to redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall be required to make an offer (the "<u>Change of Control Offer</u>") to each Holder of the Notes to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof) of that Holder's Notes on the terms set forth herein.

(b) In the Change of Control Offer, the Issuer shall be required to offer payment in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of Notes repurchased*plus* accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on the Notes of this series repurchased to the date of repurchase (the <u>Change of Control Payment</u>"). Within 30 days following any Change of Control Triggering Event or, at the Issuer's option, prior to any Change of Control, but after public announcement of the transaction that constitutes or may constitute the Change of Control Triggering Event and offering to repurchase such Notes on the date specified in the notice, which date shall be no earlier than 30 days and no later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed (the <u>"Change of Control Payment Date</u>"). The notice shall, if mailed prior to the date of consummation of the Change of Control, state that the offer to purchase is conditioned on the Change of Control Triggering Event occurring on or prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

(c) In order to accept the Change of Control Offer, the Holder must deliver to the Paying Agent, at least three Business Days prior to the Change of Control Payment Date, this Security together with the form entitled "Election Form" (which form is annexed hereto) duly completed, or a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or a letter from a member of a national securities exchange, or the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., or a commercial bank or trust company in the United States setting forth:

(i) the name of the Holder of the Note;

(ii) the principal amount of the Note;

(iii) the principal amount of the Note to be repurchased;

(iv) the certificate number or a description of the tenor and terms of the Note;

(v) a statement that the Holder is accepting the Change of Control Offer; and

(vi) a guarantee that the Note, together with the form entitled "Election Form" duly completed, will be received by the Paying Agent at least three Business Days prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

(d) Any exercise by a Holder of its election to accept the Change of Control Offer shall be irrevocable. The Change of Control Offer may be accepted for less than the entire principal amount of the Notes, but in that event the principal amount of the Notes remaining outstanding after repurchase must be equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

(e) On the Change of Control Payment Date, the Issuer shall, to the extent lawful:

(i) accept for payment all Notes of this series or portions of such Notes properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer;

(ii) deposit with the Paying Agent an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all Notes of this series or portions of such Notes properly tendered; and

(iii) deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Notes of this series properly accepted together with an Officers' Certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of Notes of this series or portions of such Notes being repurchased.

(f) The Issuer shall not be required to make a Change of Control Offer upon the occurrence of a Change of Control Triggering Event if a third party makes such an offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements for an offer made by the Issuer and the third party purchases all Notes of this series properly tendered and not withdrawn under its offer. In addition, the Issuer shall not repurchase any Notes if there has occurred and is continuing on the Change of Control Payment Date an Event of Default under the Indenture with respect to the Notes, other than a default in the payment of the Change of Control Payment upon a Change of Control Triggering Event.

(g) The Issuer shall comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the 'Exchange Act''), and any other securities laws and regulations

thereunder to the extent those laws and regulations are applicable in connection with the repurchase of the Notes as a result of a Change of Control Triggering Event. To the extent that the provisions of any such securities laws or regulations conflict with the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Notes, the Issuer shall comply with those securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Notes by virtue of any such conflict.

Section 3.2. Additional Definitions. For purposes of the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Securities of this series, the following terms are applicable:

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following: (1) the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) (other than the Issuer or a Subsidiary) becomes the beneficial owner (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Issuer's Voting Stock or other Voting Stock into which the Issuer's Voting Stock is reclassified, consolidated, exchanged or changed, measured by voting power rather than number of shares; (2) the direct or indirect sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or more series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer's Board of Directors are not Continuing Directors. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction shall not be deemed to involve a Change of Control if (1) the Issuer set ad itransaction are substantially the same as the holders of the Issuer's Voting Stock is not "Dot indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of a holding company and (2)(A) the direct or indirect or that transaction or (B) immediately following that transaction no "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) (other than the Issuer or a Subsidiary), other than a holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holdin

"Change of Control Triggering Event" means the occurrence of both a Change of Control and a Rating Event.

"<u>Continuing Directors</u>" means, as of any date of determination, any member of the Issuer's Board of Directors who (1) was a member of such Board of Directors on the date the Securities of this series were issued or (2) was nominated for election, elected or appointed to such Board of Directors with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of such Board of Directors at the time of such nomination, election or appointment (either by a specific vote or by approval of the Issuer's proxy statement in which such member was named as a nominee for election as a director, without objection to such nomination).

"Investment Grade Rating" means a rating equal to or higher than Baa3 (or the equivalent) by Moody's and BBB- (or the equivalent) by S&P, and the equivalent investment grade credit rating from any additional rating agency or rating agencies selected by the Issuer.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"<u>Rating Agencies</u>" means (1) each of Moody's and S&P; and (2) if any of Moody's or S&P ceases to rate the Securities of this series or fails to make a rating of such Securities publicly available for reasons outside of the Issuer's control, a "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" within the meaning of Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act selected by the Issuer (as certified by a resolution of the Issuer's Board of Directors) as a replacement agency for Moody's or S&P, or all of them, as the case may be.

"<u>Rating Event</u>" means the rating on the Notes is lowered by each of the Rating Agencies and the Notes are rated below an Investment Grade Rating by each of the Rating Agencies on any day within the 60-day period (which 60-day period shall be extended so long as the rating of the Notes is under publicly announced consideration for a possible downgrade by any of the Rating Agencies) after the earlier of (1) the occurrence of a Change of Control and (2) public notice of the occurrence of a Change of Control or the Issuer's intention to effect a Change of Control.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Rating Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

"Voting Stock" means, with respect to any specified "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) as of any date, the capital stock of such person that is at the time entitled to vote generally in the election of the board of directors of such person.

ARTICLE FOUR

Defeasance

Section 4.1. <u>Defeasance Applicable to Notes</u>. Pursuant to <u>Section 301(18)</u> of the Original Indenture, provision is hereby made for both (i) defeasance of the Notes under <u>Section 402(2)</u> of the Original Indenture and (ii) covenant defeasance of the Notes under <u>Section 301(18)</u> of the Original Indenture, in each case, upon the terms and conditions contained in Article Four of the Original Indenture. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to <u>Section 301(18)</u> of the Original Indenture, <u>Section 402(4)(ii)</u> of the Original Indenture is hereby amended by (A) replacing the phrase "an Opinion of Counsel" with the phrase "a legal opinion of outside counsel," (B) replacing the phrase "such Opinion of Counsel," with the phrase "beneficial owners."

ARTICLE FIVE

Defaults and Remedies

Section 5.1. Events of Default. Except as provided below, Section 501 of the Original Indenture shall be applicable to the Notes. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to Section 301(15) of the Original Indenture, Section 501(4) of the Original Indenture is hereby amended by deleting such section in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

(4) default (i) in the payment when due after giving effect to any applicable grace period of any scheduled principal on any Indebtedness of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries, having an aggregate principal amount outstanding of at least \$50,000,000, or (ii) in the performance of any other term or provision of any such Indebtedness which default shall have resulted in such Indebtedness becoming or being declared due and payable prior to the date on which it would otherwise have become due and payable, without such Indebtedness having been discharged, or such acceleration having been rescinded or annulled within the later of (i) the period specified in such instrument and (ii) 15 days after written notice to the Issuer by the Trustee or Holders of at least 25% of the aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such series then Outstanding.

ARTICLE SIX

Amendments and Waivers

Section 6.1. <u>Modification and Amendment with Consent of Holders of the Notes</u> Except as provided below, <u>Section 902</u> of the Original Indenture shall be applicable to the Notes. After the Issuer's obligation to purchase the Notes arises under Article Three of this First Supplemental Indenture, the Issuer shall not, without the consent of each of the Holders of the then Outstanding Notes, amend, change or modify in any material respect the Issuer's obligation to make and consummate a Change of Control Offer in the event of a Change of Control Triggering Event or, after such Change of Control Triggering Event has occurred, modify any of the provisions or definitions with respect thereto.

Section 6.2. <u>Modification and Amendment without Consent of Holders of the Notes</u> Except as provided below, <u>Section 901</u> of the Original Indenture shall be applicable to the Notes. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to <u>Section 301(15)</u> of the Original Indenture, <u>Section 901(1)</u> of the Original Indenture is hereby amended by deleting such section in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

(1) to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency; provided that this action shall not adversely affect the interests of holders of the notes in any material respect.

ARTICLE SEVEN

Covenants

Section 7.1. <u>Covenants</u>. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to <u>Section 301(15)</u> of the Original Indenture, Article 10 of the Original Indenture is hereby supplemented by incorporating therein the following additional covenants which the Issuer shall observe solely for the benefit of the Holders for so long as any Note is Outstanding:

(a) Limitation on Mortgages and Liens. The Issuer will not at any time directly or indirectly create or assume and will not cause or permit a Subsidiary directly or indirectly to create or assume, otherwise than in favor of the Issuer or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary, any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance upon any Principal Facility or any interest it may have therein or upon any stock of any Subsidiary or any indebtedness of any Subsidiary to the Issuer or any other Subsidiary, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, without making effective provision (and the Issuer covenants that in such case it will make or cause to be made, effective provision) whereby the Outstanding Securities and any other indebtedness of the Issuer there entitled thereto shall be secured by such mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance equally and ratably with any and all other obligations and indebtedness thereby secured, so long as any such other obligations and indebtedness shall be so secured (provided, that for the purpose of providing such equal and ratable security, the principal amount of Outstanding Securities of any series of Discount Securities shall be such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of that series); *provided, however*, that the foregoing covenant shall not be applicable to the following:

(i) (A) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance on any such property hereafter acquired or constructed by the Issuer or a Subsidiary, or on which property so constructed is located, and created prior to, contemporaneously with or within 360 days after, such acquisition or construction or the commencement of commercial operation of such property to secure or provide for the payment of any part of the purchase or construction price of such property, or (B) the acquisition by the Issuer or a Subsidiary of such property subject to any mortgage, pledge, or other lien or encumbrance upon such property existing at the time of acquisition thereof, whether or not assumed by the Issuer or such Subsidiary, or (C) any

mortgage, pledge, or other lien or encumbrance existing on the property, shares of stock or indebtedness of a corporation at the time such corporation shall become a Subsidiary, or (D) any conditional sales agreement or other title retention agreement with respect to any property hereafter acquired or constructed; *provided* that, in the case of <u>subclauses (A)</u> through (D) of this <u>clause (i)</u>, the lien of any such mortgage, pledge or other lien does not spread to property owned prior to such acquisition or constructed or to other property thereafter acquired or constructed other than additions to such acquired or constructed property and other than property on which property so constructed is located; and *provided*, *further*, that if a firm commitment from a bank, insurance company or other lender or investor (not including the Issuer) for the financing of the acquisition or construction of property is made prior to, contemporaneously with or within the 360-day period hereinabove referred to, the applicable mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance shall be deemed to be permitted by this <u>clause (i)</u> whether or not created or assumed within such period;

(ii) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance created for the sole purpose of extending, renewing or refunding any mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance permitted by <u>clause (i)</u> of this <u>subsection (a)</u>; *provided, however*, that the principal amount of indebtedness secured thereby shall not exceed the principal amount of indebtedness so secured at the time of such extension, renewal or refunding and that such extension, renewal or refunding mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance shall be limited to all or any part of the same property that secured the mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance extended, renewed or refunded;

(iii) liens for taxes or assessments or governmental charges or levies not then due and delinquent or the validity of which is being contested in good faith, and against which an adequate reserve has been established; liens on any such property created in connection with pledges or deposits to secure public or statutory obligations or to secure performance in connection with bids or contracts; materialmen's, mechanics', carrier's, workmen's, repairmen's or other like liens; or liens on any such property created in connection with deposits to obtain the release of such liens; liens on any such property created in connection with deposits to secure surety, stay, appeal or customs bonds; liens created by or resulting from any litigation or legal proceeding which is currently being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings; leases and liens, rights of reverter and other possessory rights of the lessor thereunder; zoning restrictions, easements, rights-of-way or other restrictions on the use of real property or minor irregularities in the tile thereto; and any other liens and encumbrances similar to those described in this <u>clause (iii)</u>, the existence of which does not, in the opinion of the Issuer, materially impair the use by the Issuer or a Subsidiary of the affected property in the operation of the business of the Issuer or a Subsidiary, or the value of such property for the purposes of such business;

(iv) any contracts for production, research or development with or for the Government, directly or indirectly, providing for advance, partial or progress payments on such contracts and for a lien, paramount to all other liens, upon money advanced or paid pursuant to such contracts, or upon any material or supplies in connection with the performance of such contracts to secure such payments to the Government; and liens or other evidences of interest in favor of the Government, paramount to all other liens, on any equipment, tools, machinery, land or buildings hereafter constructed, installed or purchased by the Issuer or a Subsidiary primarily for the purpose of manufacturing or producing any product or performing any development work, directly or indirectly, for the Government to secure indebtedness incurred and owing to the Government for the construction, installation or purchase of such equipment, tools, machinery, land or buildings. For the purpose of this <u>clause (iv)</u>, "Government" shall mean the Government of the United States of America and any department, agency or political subdivision thereof;

(v) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance created after the date of this First Supplemental Indenture on any property leased to or purchased by the Issuer or a Subsidiary after that date and securing, directly or indirectly, obligations issued by a state, a territory or a possession of the United States, or any political subdivision of any of the foregoing, or the District of Columbia, to finance the cost of acquisition or cost of construction of such property, provided that the interest paid on such obligations is entitled to be excluded from gross income of the recipient pursuant to Section 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or any successor to such provision), as in effect at the time of the issuance of such obligations;

(vi) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance on any property now owned or hereafter acquired or constructed by the Issuer or a Subsidiary, or on which property so owned, acquired or constructed is located, to secure or provide for the payment of any part of the construction price or cost of improvements of such property, and created prior to, contemporaneously with or within 360 days after, such construction or improvement; provided, that if a firm commitment from a bank, insurance company or other lender or investor (not including the Issuer, a Subsidiary or an Affiliate of the Issuer) for the financing of the acquisition or construction of property is made prior to, contemporaneously with or within the 360-day period hereinabove referred to, the applicable mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance shall be deemed to be permitted by this <u>clause (vi)</u> whether or not created or assumed within such period; and

(vii) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance not otherwise permitted under this <u>Section 7.1(a)</u>; *provided*, the aggregate amount of indebtedness secured by all such mortgages, pledges, liens or encumbrances, together with the aggregate sale price of property involved in sale and leaseback transactions not otherwise permitted except under <u>Section 7.1(b)(i)</u> does not exceed 15% of Consolidated Stockholders' Equity.

(b) <u>Limitation on Sale and Leaseback Transactions</u>. The Issuer will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, sell or transfer (except to the Issuer or one or more Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries, or both) any Principal Facility owned by it on the date of this Indenture with the intention of taking back a lease of such property, other than a lease for a temporary period (not exceeding 36 months) with the intent that the use by the Issuer or such Subsidiary of such property will be discontinued at or before the expiration of such period, unless either:

(i) the sum of the aggregate sale price of property involved in sale and leaseback transactions not otherwise permitted under this <u>Section 7.1(b)</u> plus the aggregate amount of indebtedness secured by all mortgages, pledges, liens and encumbrances not otherwise permitted except under <u>Section 7.1(a)(vii)</u> does not exceed 15% of Consolidated Stockholders' Equity; or

(ii) the Issuer within 120 days after the sale or transfer shall have been made by the Issuer or by any such Subsidiary applies an amount equal to the greater of (A) the net proceeds of the sale of the Principal Facility sold and leased back pursuant to such arrangement or (B) the fair market value of the Principal Facility sold and leased back at the time of entering into such arrangement (which may be conclusively determined by the Board of Directors of the Issuer) to the retirement of Securities or other Funded Debt of the Issuer ranking on a parity with the Securities; provided, that the amount required to be applied to the retirement of Outstanding Securities or other Funded Debt of the Issuer pursuant to this <u>subclause (ii)</u> shall be reduced by (1) the principal amount (or, if the Securities of that series are Discount Securities, such portion

of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of that series) of any Securities delivered within 120 days after such sale to the Trustee for retirement and cancellation, and (2) the principal amount of any other Funded Debt of the Issuer ranking on a parity with the Securities voluntarily retired by the Issuer within 120 days after such sale, whether or not any such retirement of Funded Debt shall be specified as being made pursuant to this <u>subclause (ii)</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no retirement referred to in this <u>clause (ii)</u> may be effected by payment at maturity or pursuant to any mandatory sinking fund payment or any mandatory prepayment provision.

Section 7.2. Additional Definitions. For purposes of the covenants set forth in Section 7.1 hereof, the following terms are applicable:

"Consolidated Stockholders' Equity," at any time, means the total stockholders' equity of the Issuer and its consolidated subsidiaries, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, as of the end of the most recently completed fiscal quarter of the Issuer for which financial information is then available.

"Discount Security" means any Security which is issued with "original issue discount" within the meaning of Section 1273(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations thereunder.

"Funded Debt" means any indebtedness for money borrowed, created, issued, incurred, assumed or guaranteed which would, in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice, be classified as long-term debt, but in any event including all indebtedness for money borrowed, whether secured or unsecured, maturing more than one year or extendible at the option of the obligor to a date more than one year, after the date of determination thereof (excluding any amount thereof included in current liabilities).

"Principal Facility" means the real property, fixtures, machinery and equipment relating to any facility owned by the Issuer or any Subsidiary, except for any facility that, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, is not of material importance to the business conducted by the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

"Wholly-Owned Subsidiary" means a Subsidiary of which all of the outstanding voting stock (other than directors' qualifying shares) is at the time, directly or indirectly, owned by the Issuer, or by one or more Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries of the Issuer or by the Issuer and one or more Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries.

ARTICLE EIGHT

Miscellaneous

Section 8.1. Effect of Supplemental Indenture. Except as expressly modified or amended hereby, the Original Indenture continues in full force and effect and is in all respects confirmed, ratified and preserved. This First Supplemental Indenture and all its provisions shall be deemed a part of the Original Indenture in the manner and to the extent herein and therein provided.

Section 8.2. <u>Application of First Supplemental Indenture</u>. Each and every term and condition contained in this First Supplemental Indenture that modifies, amends or supplements the terms and conditions of the Original Indenture shall apply only to the Notes created hereby and not to any existing or future series of Securities established under the Original Indenture.

Section 8.3. <u>Benefits of First Supplemental Indenture</u>. Nothing contained in this First Supplemental Indenture shall be construed to confer upon any person other than a Holder of the Notes, the Issuer, the Trustee and the calculation agent any right or interest to avail itself, himself or herself as the case may be, of any benefit under any provision of the Original Indenture or this First Supplemental Indenture.

Section 8.4. Effective Date. This First Supplemental Indenture shall be effective as of the date first above written and upon the execution and delivery hereof by each of the parties hereto.

Section 8.5. Governing Law. This First Supplemental Indenture shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

Section 8.6. <u>Counterparts</u>. This First Supplemental Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 8.7. Effect of Headings. The Article and Section headings herein are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

Section 8.8. <u>Separability Clause</u>. In case any provision in this First Supplemental Indenture or in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 8.9. <u>Satisfaction and Discharge; Defeasance</u>. The Issuer shall be deemed to have satisfied and discharged all of its obligations under the Indenture upon compliance with the provisions of <u>Section 401</u> of the Original Indenture. The provisions of <u>Section 402(2)</u> and <u>Section 402(3)</u> of the Original Indenture relating to defeasance shall be applied to the Notes upon compliance with the conditions set forth in such provisions.

Section 8.10. The Trustee makes no representation or warranty as to the validity or sufficiency of this First Supplemental Indenture.

Section 8.11. In no event shall the Trustee be responsible or liable for special, indirect, or consequential loss or damage of any kind whatsoever (including, but not limited to, loss of profit) irrespective of whether the Trustee has been advised of the likelihood of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action.

Section 8.12. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE TRUSTEE HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, THE INDENTURE, THE NOTES OR THE TRANSACTION CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

Section 8.13. In no event shall the Trustee be responsible or liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations hereunder arising out of or caused by, directly or indirectly, forces beyond its control, including, without limitation, strikes, work stoppages, accidents, acts of war or terrorism, civil or military disturbances, nuclear or natural catastrophes or acts of God, and interruptions, loss or malfunctions of utilities, communications or computer (software and hardware) services; it being understood that the Trustee shall use reasonable efforts which are consistent with accepted practices in the banking industry to resume performance as soon as practicable under the circumstances.

Section 8.14. The Trustee agrees to accept and act upon instructions or directions pursuant to this Indenture sent by unsecurede-mail, pdf, facsimile transmission or other similar unsecured electronic methods, provided, however, that the Trustee shall have received an incumbency certificate listing persons designated to give such instructions or directions and containing specimen signatures of such designated persons, which such incumbency certificate shall be amended and replaced whenever a person is to be added or deleted from the listing. If the Issuer elects to give the Trustee e-mail or facsimile instructions (or instructions by a similar electronic method) and the Trustee in its discretion elects to act upon such instructions, the Trustee's understanding of such instructions shall be deemed controlling. The Trustee shall not be liable for any losses, costs or expenses arising directly or indirectly from the Trustee's reliance upon and compliance with such instructions notwithstanding such instructions to the Trustee, including without limitation the risk of the Trustee acting on unauthorized instructions, and the risk or interception and misuse by third parties.

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

EQUIFAX INC. as Issuer

 By:
 /s/ Mark E. Young

 Name:
 Mark E. Young

 Title:
 Senior Vice President and Treasurer

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Trustee

By: /s/ David Ferrell

Name: David Ferrell Title: Vice President

[Equifax Inc. – First Supplemental Indenture]

[FACE OF NOTE]

THIS NOTE IS A SECURITY IN GLOBAL FORM ("GLOBAL SECURITY") WITHIN THE MEANING OF <u>SECTION 203</u> OF THE ORIGINAL INDENTURE HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AND IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, A NEW YORK CORPORATION (THE "DEPOSITORY"), OR A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITORY, WHICH MAY BE TREATED BY THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY AGENT THEREOF AS OWNER AND HOLDER OF THIS NOTE FOR ALL PURPOSES.

UNLESS THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, A NEW YORK CORPORATION ("DTC"), TO THE ISSUER OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC, ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

UNLESS AND UNTIL THIS CERTIFICATE IS EXCHANGED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FOR NOTES IN CERTIFICATED FORM, THIS CERTIFICATE MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT AS A WHOLE BY DTC TO A NOMINEE THEREOF OR BY A NOMINEE THEREOF TO DTC OR ANOTHER NOMINEE OF DTC OR BY DTC OR ANY SUCH NOMINEE TO A SUCCESSOR OF DTC OR A NOMINEE OF SUCH SUCCESSOR.

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EQUIFAX INC.

2.300% Senior Notes due 2021

Equifax Inc., a Georgia corporation (the "<u>Issuer</u>," which term includes any successor under the Original Indenture hereinafter referred to), for value received, hereby promises to pay to Cede & Co. or its registered assigns, the principal sum of [___] Dollars on June 1, 2021 (the "Maturity Date"), and to pay interest thereon from May 12, 2016 (or from the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for) in U.S. dollars semi-annually in arrears on June 1 and December 1 of each year, each, an "Interest Payment Date", commencing on December 1, 2016, and on the Maturity Date, at the rate of 2.300% per annum, until payment of said principal sum has been made or duly provided for.

The interest so payable and punctually paid or duly provided for on any Interest Payment Date and on the Maturity Date will be paid to the Holder in whose name this Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) is registered at the close of business on the "Record Date" for such payment, which will be May 15 and November 15 (regardless of whether such day is a Business Day (as defined below)). Any interest not so punctually paid or duly provided for shall forthwith cease to be payable to the Holder on such record date, and shall be paid to the Holder in whose name this Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) is registered at the close of business Day (as defined below)). Any interest not so punctually paid or duly provided for shall forthwith cease to be payable to the Holder on such record date, and shall be paid to the Holder in whose name this Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) is registered at the close of business on a subsequent record date for the payment of such defaulted interest (which shall be not less than five Business Days (as defined below) prior to the date of the payment of such defaulted interest) established by notice given by mail by or on behalf of the Issuer to the Holders of the Notes not less than 15 days preceding such subsequent record date. Interest on this Note will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

The principal of this Note payable on the Maturity Date will be paid against presentation and surrender of this Note at the office or agency of the Issuer maintained for that purpose in The Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York. The Issuer hereby initially designates the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee in the City of New York as the office to be maintained by it where Notes may be presented for payment, registration of transfer, or exchange and where notices or demands to or upon the Issuer in respect of the Notes or the Original Indenture referred to on the reverse hereof may be served.

Interest payable on this Note on any Interest Payment Date and on the Maturity Date, as the case may be, will be the amount of interest accrued from and including the immediately preceding Interest Payment Date (or from and including May 12, 2016, in the case of the initial Interest Payment Date) to but excluding the applicable Interest Payment Date or the Maturity Date or the Maturity Date falls on a day that is not a Business Day (as defined below), the required payment of interest or principal or both, as the case may be, will be made on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if it were made on the date such payment was due and no interest will accrue on the amount so payable for the period from and after such Interest Payment Date or the Maturity Date, as the case may be. "Business Day" means any calendar day, that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in New York, New York and on which commercial banks are open for business in New York, New York.

Payments of principal and interest in respect of this Note will be made by wire transfer of immediately available funds in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

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Reference is made to the further provisions of this Note set forth on the reverse hereof. Such further provisions shall for all purposes have the same effect as though fully set forth at this place.

This Note shall not be entitled to the benefits of the Original Indenture referred to on the reverse hereof or be valid or become obligatory for any purpose until the certificate of authentication hereon shall have been signed by the Trustee under such Indenture.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer has caused this instrument to be signed manually or by facsimile by its authorized officers.

Dated as of May 12, 2016

EQUIFAX INC.,	
as Issuer	

By: Name: Title:

TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This is one of the Securities of the series designated herein referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

Date: _____

By:

[REVERSE OF NOTE]

EQUIFAX INC.

2.300% Senior Notes due 2021

This security is one of a duly authorized issue of debentures, notes, bonds, or other evidences of indebtedness of the Issuer (hereinafter called the '<u>Original Indenture</u>''), duly executed and delivered by the Issuer to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee (hereinafter called the '<u>Trustee</u>.'' which term includes any successor trustee under the Original Indenture with respect to the series of Securities of which this Note is a part), and a First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016, between the Issuer and the Trustee (the '<u>First Supplemental Indenture</u>.'' the Original Indenture as modified and supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture is herein called the '<u>Indenture</u>'') to which the Original Indenture supplemental thereto relating to this security reference is hereby made for a description of the rights, limitations of rights, obligations, duties, and immunities thereunder of the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Holders of the Securities, and of the terms upon which the Securities may be issued in various aggregate principal amounts, may mature at different times, may be ariterest (if any) at different rates, may be subject to different redemption provisions (if any), and may otherwise vary as provided in the Original Indenture or any indenture supplemental thereto. This security is one of a series designated as the 2.300% Senior Notes due 2021 of the Issuer (the '<u>Notes</u>''), initially limited in aggregate principal amount to \$500,000,000.

In case an Event of Default with respect to this security shall have occurred and be continuing, the principal hereof together with accrued interest to the date of declaration, if any, may be declared, and upon such declaration shall become, due and payable, in the manner, with the effect, and subject to the conditions provided in the Original Indenture.

Except as otherwise may be specified herein or in the First Supplemental Indenture, prior to May 1, 2021, the Issuer shall have the right to redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at a redemption price (the "Optional Redemption Price") equal to the greater of (i) 100% of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the Redemption Date, and (ii) the sum of the present values of the Remaining Scheduled Payments of principal and interest (exclusive of interest accrued to the Redemption Date) discounted to the Redemption Date on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate *plus* 20 basis points, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount being redeemed to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

On or after May 1, 2021, the Issuer shall have the right to redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at the Issuer's option, for an amount in cash equal to 100% of the principal amount *plus* any accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount being redeemed to, but excluding the Redemption Date.

The Issuer will mail notice of such redemption to the registered holders of the Notes to be redeemed not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date. If Notes are only partially redeemed pursuant to the First Supplemental Indenture, the Notes to be redeemed will be selected by the Trustee in such manner as in its sole discretion it shall deem appropriate and fair; *provided*, that if at the time of redemption the Notes to be redeemed are registered as a Global Note, the Depository shall

determine, in accordance with its procedures, the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed held by each of its participants that holds a position in such Notes. The Optional Redemption Price shall be paid prior to 12:00 noon, New York time, on the Redemption Date or at such later time on such date as is then permitted by the rules of the Depository for the Notes (if then registered as a Global Note); *provided*, that the Issuer shall deposit with the Trustee an amount sufficient to pay the Optional Redemption Price by 10:00 a.m., New York time, on the date such Optional Redemption Price is to be paid.

If a Change of Control Triggering Event occurs, unless the Issuer has exercised its option to redeem the Securities of this series, the Issuer shall be required to make an offer (the "Change of Control Offer") to each Holder of the Notes of this series to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof) of that Holder's Notes on the terms set forth herein. In the Change of Control Offer, the Issuer shall be required to offer payment in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of Notes of this series repurchased, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on the Notes of this series repurchase (the <u>Change of Control Payment</u>"). Within 30 days following any Change of Control Triggering Event or, at the Issuer's option, prior to any Change of Control, but after public announcement of the transaction that constitutes or may constitute the Change of Control, a notice shall be mailed to Holders of the Notes of this series describing the transaction that constitutes or may constitute the Change of Control Triggering Event and offering to repurchase such Securities on the date specified in the notice, which date shall be no earlier than 30 days and no later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed (the "Change of Control Payment Date"). The notice shall, if mailed prior to the date of control, state that the offer to purchase is conditioned on the Change of Control Triggering Event occurring on or prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

In order to accept the Change of Control Offer, the Holder must deliver to the Paying Agent, at least three Business Days prior to the Change of Control Payment Date, this Security together with the form entitled "Election Form" (which form is annexed hereto) duly completed, or a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or a letter from a member of a national securities exchange, or the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., or a commercial bank or trust company in the United States setting forth:

- (i) the name of the Holder of the Note;
- (ii) the principal amount of the Note;
- (iii) the principal amount of the Note to be repurchased;
- (iv) the certificate number or a description of the tenor and terms of the Note;
- (v) a statement that the Holder is accepting the Change of Control Offer; and

(vi) a guarantee that the Note, together with the form entitled "Election Form" duly completed, will be received by the Paying Agent at least three Business Days prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

Any exercise by a Holder of its election to accept the Change of Control Offer shall be irrevocable. The Change of Control Offer may be accepted for less than the entire principal amount of the Notes, but in that event the principal amount of the Notes remaining outstanding after repurchase must be equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof. On the Change of Control Payment Date, the Issuer shall, to the extent lawful (1) accept for payment all Notes of this series or portions of such Notes properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer, (2) deposit with the Paying Agent

an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all Notes of this series or portions of such Notes properly tendered, and (3) deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Notes of this series properly accepted together with an Officers' Certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of Notes of this series or portions of such Securities being repurchased.

The Issuer shall not be required to make a Change of Control Offer upon the occurrence of a Change of Control Triggering Event if a third party makes such an offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements for an offer made by the Issuer and the third party purchases all Notes of this series properly tendered and not withdrawn under its offer. In addition, the Issuer shall not repurchase any Securities of this series if there has occurred and is continuing on the Change of Control Payment Date an Event of Default under the Indenture with respect to the Notes, other than a default in the payment of the Change of Control Payment upon a Change of Control Triggering Event.

The Issuer shall comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the 'Exchange Act'), and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent those laws and regulations are applicable in connection with the repurchase of the Securities of this series as a result of a Change of Control Triggering Event. To the extent that the provisions of any such securities laws or regulations conflict with the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Notes of this series, the Issuer shall comply with those securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Securities of this series by virtue of any such conflict.

The following terms have the meanings given to them in this Note:

"Business Day" means, unless otherwise specified, any calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in New York, New York and on which commercial banks are open for business in New York, New York.

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following: (1) the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) (other than the Issuer or a Subsidiary) becomes the beneficial owner (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Issuer's Voting Stock or other Voting Stock into which the Issuer's Voting Stock is reclassified, consolidated, exchanged or changed, measured by voting power rather than number of shares; (2) the direct or indirect sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or more series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer's Board of Directors are not Continuing Directors. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction shall not be deemed to involve a Change of Control if (1) the Issuer's Board of indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of a holding company and (2)(A) the direct or indirect holders of the Voting Stock of such holding company immediately following that transaction are substantially the same as the holders of the Issuer's Voting Stock is mediately prior to that transaction or (B) immediately following that transaction no "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) (other than the Issuer or a Subsidiary), other than a holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the bene

"Change of Control Triggering Event" means the occurrence of both a Change of Control and a Rating Event.

"Comparable Treasury Issue" means the United States Treasury security selected by an Independent Investment Banker as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term ("Remaining Life") of the Notes to be redeemed that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of such Notes.

"<u>Comparable Treasury Price</u>" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, (A) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such Redemption Date, or (B) if the Independent Investment Banker obtains fewer than three such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all such Quotations or, if only one such Quotation is obtained, such Quotation.

"<u>Continuing Directors</u>" means, as of any date of determination, any member of the Issuer's Board of Directors who (1) was a member of such Board of Directors on the date the Notes were issued or (2) was nominated for election, elected or appointed to such Board of Directors with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of such Board of Directors at the time of such nomination, election or appointment (either by a specific vote or by approval of the Issuer's proxy statement in which such member was named as a nominee for election as a director, without objection to such nomination).

"Depository" means a clearing agency registered under Section 17A of the Exchange Act that is designated to act as Depository for the Notes.

"Independent Investment Banker" means an independent investment banking institution of national standing appointed by the Issuer, which may be one of the Reference Treasury Dealers.

"Investment Grade Rating" means a rating equal to or higher than Baa3 (or the equivalent) by Moody's and BBB- (or the equivalent) by S&P, and the equivalent investment grade credit rating from any additional rating agency or rating agencies selected by the Issuer.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"<u>Rating Agencies</u>" means (1) each of Moody's and S&P; and (2) if any of Moody's or S&P ceases to rate the Securities of this series or fails to make a rating of such Securities publicly available for reasons outside of the Issuer's control, a "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" within the meaning of Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act selected by the Issuer (as certified by a resolution of the Issuer's Board of Directors) as a replacement agency for Moody's or S&P, or all of them, as the case may be.

"<u>Rating Event</u>" means the rating on the Notes is lowered by each of the Rating Agencies and the Notes are rated below an Investment Grade Rating by each of the Rating Agencies on any day within the 60-day period (which 60-day period shall be extended so long as the rating of the Securities of this series is under publicly announced consideration for a possible downgrade by any of the Rating Agencies) after the earlier of (1) the occurrence of a Change of Control and (2) public notice of the occurrence of a Change of Control or the Issuer's intention to effect a Change of Control.

"Redemption Date" means, with respect to any optional redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 1.6 of the First Supplemental Indenture, the date fixed for such redemption pursuant to the Original Indenture and such Notes.

"<u>Reference Treasury Dealer</u>" means J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and their respective successors; *provided* that if any of the foregoing or any such successor shall cease to be a primary U.S. government securities dealer in New York City (a <u>Primary Treasury Dealer</u>"), the Issuer will substitute therefor another Primary Treasury Dealer.

"<u>Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations</u>" means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any Redemption Date, the average, as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Independent Investment Banker by the Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m. on the third Business Day preceding such Redemption Date.

"<u>Remaining Scheduled Payments</u>" means, with respect to the Notes to be redeemed, the remaining scheduled payments of the principal thereof and interest thereon that would be due at the related Redemption Date but before such redemption; provided, however, that if such Redemption Date is not an interest payment date, with respect to the Notes, the amount of the next succeeding scheduled interest payment thereon will be deemed to be reduced by the amount of interest accrued thereon to such Redemption Date.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Rating Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

"Treasury Rate" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, (i) the yield, under the heading which represents the average for the immediately preceding week, appearing in the most recently published statistical release designated "H.15(519)" or any successor publication which is published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and which establishes yields on actively traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity under the caption "Treasury Constant Maturities," for the maturity corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue (if no maturity is within three months before or after the Remaining Life, yields for the two published maturities most closely corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue shall be determined and the Treasury Rate shall be interpolated or extrapolated from such yields on a straight line basis, rounding to the nearest month), (ii) if the period from the Redemption Date to the Maturity Date of the Notes to be redeemed is less than one year, the weekly average yield on actually traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to a constant maturity of one year shall be used, or (iii) if such release (or any successor release) is not published during the week preceding the calculation date or does not contain such yields, the rate per annum equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated using a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such Redemption Date. The Treasury Rate shall be calculated by the Issuer on the third Business Day preceding such Redemption Date. The Trustee shall not be responsible for any such calculation.

"Voting Stock" means, with respect to any specified "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) as of any date, the capital stock of such person that is at the time entitled to vote generally in the election of the board of directors of such person.

The Original Indenture contains provisions permitting the Issuer and the Trustee, with the consent of the Holders of not less than a majority of the aggregate principal amount of all Outstanding Securities of each series to be affected (voting separately), evidenced as provided in the Original Indenture, to execute supplemental indentures for the purpose of adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of the Original Indenture or of any supplemental indenture or modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Securities of each series; *provided* that no such supplemental indenture shall, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security of each such series affected by such supplemental indenture, (1) reduce the percentage of Outstanding Securities

necessary to modify or amend the Original Indenture, to waive compliance with certain provisions of the Original Indenture or certain defaults and their consequences provided in the Original Indenture, or to reduce the quorum or change voting requirements set forth in the Original Indenture; (2) reduce the rate of, or change or have the effect of changing the time for payment of Interest, including Defaulted Interest, on any Security; (3) reduce the principal amount of, or change or have the effect of changing the Stated Maturity of any Security, or adversely change the date on which any Security may be subject to redemption or reduce the Redemption Price therefor; (4) make any Security payable in currency other than that stated in such Security or change the place of payment of any Security from that stated in such Security or in the Original Indenture; (5) make any change in provisions of this Indenture protecting the right of each Holder of a Security to receive payment of principal of and Interest on such Security on or after the due date thereof or to bring suit to enforce such payment, or permitting Holders holding a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Security; or (7) modify any of Section 902 of the Original Indenture or any of the second paragraph of Section 507 of the Original Indenture, except to increase the required percentage to effect the action or to provide that certain other provisions may not be modified or waived without the consent of the Holders of each of the Outstanding Securities affected thereby.

It is also provided in the Original Indenture that, with respect to certain defaults or Events of Default regarding the Securities of any series, the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount outstanding of the Securities of such series (or, in the case of certain defaults or Events of Default, all series of Securities) may on behalf of the Holders of all the Securities of such series (or all of the Securities, as the case may be) waive any such past default or Event of Default and its consequences, prior to any declaration accelerating the maturity of such Securities, or, subject to certain conditions, may rescind a declaration of acceleration and its consequences with respect to such Securities. Any such consent or waiver by the Holder of this Security (unless revoked as provided in the Original Indenture) shall be conclusive and binding upon such Holder and upon all future Holders and owners of the security and any securities that may be issued in exchange or substitution herefor, irrespective of whether or not any notation thereof is made upon this security or such other securities.

No reference herein to the Original Indenture and no provision of this security or of the Original Indenture shall alter or impair the obligation of the Issuer, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the principal of and interest on this Security in the manner, at the respective times, at the rate and in the coin or currency herein prescribed.

This Security is issuable only in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. Securities may be exchanged for a like aggregate principal amount of securities of this series of other authorized denominations at the office or agency of the Issuer in The Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, in the manner and subject to the limitations provided in the Original Indenture, but without the payment of any service charge except for any tax or other governmental charge imposed in connection therewith.

Upon due presentment for registration of transfer of Securities at the office or agency of the Issuer in The Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, one or more new Securities of the same series of authorized denominations in an equal aggregate principal amount will be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor, subject to the limitations provided in the Original Indenture, without charge except for any tax or other governmental charge imposed in connection therewith.

The Issuer, the Trustee or any authorized agent of the Issuer or the Trustee may deem and treat the Person in whose name this security is registered as the absolute owner of this security (whether or not this security shall be overdue and notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing hereon), for

the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal hereof or Optional Redemption Price, if any, and subject to the provisions on the face hereof, interest hereon, and for all other purposes, and neither the Issuer nor the Trustee nor any authorized agent of the Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

The Original Indenture and each Security shall be deemed to be a contract under the laws of the State of New York, and for all purposes shall be construed in accordance with the laws of such state, except as may otherwise be required by mandatory provisions of law.

Capitalized terms used herein which are not otherwise defined shall have the respective meanings assigned to them in the Original Indenture and all indentures supplemental thereto relating to this security.

OPTION OF HOLDER TO ELECT PURCHASE

If you want to elect to have this Note purchased by the Issuer pursuant to Article Three of the First Supplemental Indenture, check the box: 🗆

If you want to elect to have only part of this Note purchased by the Issuer pursuant to Article Three of the First Supplemental Indenture, state the amount in principal amount that you elect to have purchased: \$

Dated:

Your Signature:

(Sign exactly as your name appears on the other side of this Note.)

Signature Guarantee:

(Signature must be guaranteed)

Signatures must be guaranteed by an "eligible guarantor institution" meeting the requirements of the Registrar, which requirements include membership or participation in the Security Transfer Agent Medallion Program ("STAMP") or such other "signature guarantee program" as may be determined by the Registrar in addition to, or in substitution for, STAMP, all in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

EQUIFAX INC., AS ISSUER

AND

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

DATED AS OF MAY 12, 2016

SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO INDENTURE, DATED AS OF MAY 12, 2016, BETWEEN EQUIFAX INC. AND U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, dated as of May 12, 2016, between EQUIFAX INC., a Georgia corporation (the '<u>Issuer</u>"), having its principal office at 1550 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30309, and U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as trustee (the '<u>Trustee</u>"), having its Corporate Trust Office at 1349 W. Peachtree Street, NE, Suite 1050, Atlanta, Georgia 30309, under the Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016, between the Issuer and the Trustee (the '<u>Original Indenture</u>").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Issuer executed and delivered its Original Indenture to the Trustee to issue from time to time for its lawful purposes debt securities evidencing its indebtedness.

WHEREAS, the Original Indenture provides that by means of a supplemental indenture, the Issuer may create one or more series of its debt securities and establish the form and terms and conditions thereof.

WHEREAS, the Issuer desires to issue a series of senior debt securities under the Original Indenture, and has duly authorized the creation and issuance of such series of debt securities and the execution and delivery of this Second Supplemental Indenture to modify the Original Indenture and provide certain additional provisions as hereinafter described;

WHEREAS, the Issuer and the Trustee deem it advisable to enter into this Second Supplemental Indenture for the purposes of establishing the terms of such series of debt securities and providing for the rights, obligations and duties of the Trustee with respect to such debt securities;

WHEREAS, all conditions and requirements of the Original Indenture necessary to make this Second Supplemental Indenture a valid, binding and legal instrument in accordance with its terms have been performed and fulfilled by the parties hereto and the execution and delivery thereof have been in all respects duly authorized by the parties hereto;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Issuer, acting through authority delegated to certain of its executive officers, has approved the creation of the Notes (as hereinafter defined) and the form, terms and conditions thereof;

WHEREAS, concurrently with the execution hereof, the Issuer has delivered an Officers' Certificate and has caused its counsel to deliver to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the consent of Holders to the execution and delivery of this Second Supplemental Indenture is not required, and all other actions required to be taken under the Original Indenture with respect to this Second Supplemental Indenture have been taken.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS AGREED:

ARTICLE ONE

Creation of The Notes

Section 1.1. Designation of Series. Pursuant to the terms hereof and Section 301 of the Original Indenture, the Issuer hereby creates a series of its debt securities which shall be known as the "3.250% Senior Notes due 2026" (the "Notes"), which Notes shall be deemed "Securities" for all purposes under the Original Indenture.

Section 1.2. Form and Denomination of Notes. The definitive form of the Notes shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, which is incorporated herein and made part hereof. The Notes shall be interest, be payable and have such other terms as are stated in the form of Note and in the Original Indenture, as supplemented by this Second Supplemental Indenture. The Notes shall be issued in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

Section 1.3. <u>Amount of Series</u>. Subject to <u>Section 1.9</u> hereof, the aggregate principal amount of the Notes that may be issued under this Second Supplemental Indenture is initially limited to \$275,000,000. The Notes may, upon the execution and delivery of this Second Supplemental Indenture or from time to time thereafter, be executed by the Issuer and delivered to the Trustee for authentication, and the Trustee shall thereupon authenticate and deliver said Notes upon the delivery of a Company Order.

Section 1.4. <u>Rank</u>. The Notes are unsecured and unsubordinated and shall rank equally in right of payment among themselves and with all of the Issuer's other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness.

Section 1.5. No Sinking Fund. No sinking fund shall be provided with respect to the Notes.

Section 1.6. Optional Redemption.

(a) Except as otherwise may be specified in this Second Supplemental Indenture and in the Notes, Article Eleven of the Original Indenture shall be applicable to the Notes.

(b) Prior to March 1, 2026, the Issuer shall have the right to redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at a redemption price (the <u>Optional</u> <u>Redemption Price</u>") equal to the greater of:

(i) 100% of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the Redemption Date; and

(ii) the sum of the present values of the Remaining Scheduled Payments of principal and interest (exclusive of interest accrued to the Redemption Date) discounted to the Redemption Date on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate *plus* 25 basis points, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount being redeemed to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

(c) On or after March 1, 2026, the Issuer shall have the right to redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at the Issuer's option, for an amount in cash equal to 100% of the principal amount *plus* any accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount being redeemed to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

(d) The Issuer will mail notice of such redemption to the registered holders of the Notes to be redeemed not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date. If Notes are only partially redeemed pursuant to this <u>Section 1.6</u>, the Notes to be redeemed will be selected by the Trustee in such manner as in its sole discretion it shall deem appropriate and fair; *provided*, that if at the time of redemption the Notes to be redeemed are registered as a Global Note, the Depository shall determine, in accordance with its procedures, the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed held by each of its

participants that holds a position in such Notes. The Optional Redemption Price shall be paid prior to 12:00 noon, New York time, on the Redemption Date or at such later time on such date as is then permitted by the rules of the Depository for the Notes (if then registered as a Global Note); *provided*, that the Issuer shall deposit with the Trustee an amount sufficient to pay the Optional Redemption Price by 10:00 a.m., New York time, on the date such Optional Redemption Price is to be paid.

Section 1.7. Definitions. For all purposes of this Second Supplemental Indenture:

(a) Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings set forth in the Original Indenture;

(b) a term defined anywhere in this Second Supplemental Indenture (including the exhibits hereto) has the same meaning throughout;

(c) the singular includes the plural and vice versa;

(d) headings are for convenience of reference only and do not affect interpretation;

(e) the following terms have the meanings given to them in this Section 1.7(e):

"Business Day" means, unless otherwise specified, any calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in New York, New York and on which commercial banks are open for business in New York, New York.

"Comparable Treasury Issue" means the United States Treasury security selected by an Independent Investment Banker as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term ("Remaining Life") of the Notes to be redeemed that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of the Notes.

"<u>Comparable Treasury Price</u>" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, (A) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such Redemption Date, or (B) if the Independent Investment Banker obtains fewer than three such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all such Quotations or, if only one such Quotation is obtained, such Quotation.

"Depository" means a clearing agency registered under Section 17A of the Exchange Act that is designated to act as Depository for the Notes.

"Independent Investment Banker" means an independent investment banking institution of national standing appointed by the Issuer, which may be one of the Reference Treasury Dealers.

"Redemption Date" means, with respect to any optional redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 1.6 hereof, the date fixed for such redemption pursuant to the Original Indenture and such Notes.

"<u>Reference Treasury Dealer</u>" means J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and their respective successors; *provided* that if any of the foregoing or any such successor shall cease to be a primary U.S. government securities dealer in New York City (a <u>Primary Treasury Dealer</u>"), the Issuer will substitute therefor another Primary Treasury Dealer.

"<u>Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations</u>" means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any Redemption Date, the average, as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Independent Investment Banker by the Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m. on the third Business Day preceding such Redemption Date.

"<u>Remaining Scheduled Payments</u>" means, with respect to the Notes to be redeemed, the remaining scheduled payments of the principal thereof and interest thereon that would be due at the related Redemption Date but before such redemption; provided, however, that if such Redemption Date is not an interest payment date, with respect to the Notes, the amount of the next succeeding scheduled interest payment thereon will be deemed to be reduced by the amount of interest accrued thereon to such Redemption Date.

"Treasury Rate" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, (i) the yield, under the heading which represents the average for the immediately preceding week, appearing in the most recently published statistical release designated "H.15(519)" or any successor publication which is published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and which establishes yields on actively traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity under the caption "Treasury Constant Maturities," for the maturity corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue (if no maturity is within three months before or after the Remaining Life, yields for the two published maturities most closely corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue shall be determined and the Treasury Rate shall be interpolated or extrapolated from such yields on a straight line basis, rounding to the nearest month), (ii) if the period from the Redemption Date to the Maturity Date of the Notes to be redeemed is less than one year, the weekly average yield on actually traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to a constant maturity of one year shall be used, or (iii) if such release (or any successor release) is not published during the week preceding the calculation date or does not contain such yields, the rate per annum equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated using a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such Redemption Date. The Treasury Rate shall be calculated by the Issuer on the third Business Day preceding such Redemption Date. The Trustee shall not be responsible for any such calculation.

Section 1.8. Notes Not Convertible or Exchangeable. The Notes shall not be convertible or exchangeable for other securities or property.

Section 1.9. Issuance of Notes; Selection of Depository. The Notes shall be issued as Registered Securities in permanent global form, without coupons. The initial Depository for the Notes shall be The Depository Trust Company.

Section 1.10. <u>Issuance of Additional Notes</u>. From time to time subsequent to the date hereof, without the consent of the Holders of the Notes, the Issuer may create and issue additional Notes (the "Additional Notes") under the terms of the Original Indenture and this Second Supplemental Indenture (and without need to execute any additional supplemental indenture). The Additional Notes shall be issued as part of the existing series of Notes issued pursuant to this Second Supplemental Indenture and shall have terms identical in all material respects (except for the public offering price and the issue date and, if applicable, the initial interest accrual date and the initial Interest Payment Date) to any Outstanding Notes and shall be treated together with any Outstanding Notes as a single issue of Notes original Indenture and this Second Supplemental Indenture, shall have the same CUSIP number (except for such Additional Notes that are not fungible with the Notes of this series for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which shall have a separate CUSIP number) and shall

trade interchangeably with such Notes and shall otherwise constitute Notes for all other purposes hereof. Any Additional Notes may be issued pursuant to authorization provided by one or more Board Resolutions. No Additional Notes shall be issued at any time that there is an Event of Default under the Original Indenture with respect to the Notes that has occurred and is continuing.

Section 1.11. <u>Issuance of Additional Debt Securities</u>. In addition to the Notes, the Issuer may, from time to time, issue other series of debt securities under the Original Indenture consisting of debentures, notes or other unsecured, unsubordinated evidences of indebtedness, but such other series will be separate from and independent of the Notes. The Original Indenture does not limit the amount of debt securities or any other debt (whether secured or unsecured) which the Issuer may incur.

ARTICLE TWO

Appointment of the Trustee For the Notes

Section 2.1. <u>Appointment of Trustee</u>: Acceptance by <u>Trustee</u>. Pursuant and subject to the Original Indenture, the Issuer hereby appoints U.S. Bank National Association to act on behalf of the Holders of the Notes. By execution, acknowledgment and delivery of this Second Supplemental Indenture, the Trustee hereby accepts appointment as trustee with respect to the Notes, and agrees to perform the duties and obligations of the Trustee with respect to the Notes upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Original Indenture and in this Second Supplemental Indenture.

Section 2.2. <u>Rights, Powers, Duties and Obligations of the Trustee</u>. Any rights, powers, duties and obligations by any provisions of the Original Indenture conferred or imposed upon the Trustee shall, insofar as permitted by law, be conferred or imposed upon and exercised or performed by the Trustee with respect to the Notes.

Section 2.3. <u>Rights in Indenture Applicable to Trustee</u>. U.S. Bank National Association, in its capacity as Trustee, shall be afforded all of the rights, powers, immunities and indemnities of the Trustee as set forth in the Original Indenture as if such rights, powers, immunities and indemnities were specifically set forth herein.

ARTICLE THREE

Change of Control Offer

Section 3.1. Change of Control Offer.

(a) If a Change of Control Triggering Event occurs, unless the Issuer has exercised its option to redeem the Notes, the Issuer shall be required to make an offer (the "<u>Change of Control Offer</u>") to each Holder of the Notes to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof) of that Holder's Notes on the terms set forth herein.

(b) In the Change of Control Offer, the Issuer shall be required to offer payment in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of Notes repurchasedplus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on the Notes of this series repurchased to the date of repurchase (the <u>Change of Control Payment</u>"). Within 30 days following any Change of Control Triggering Event or, at the Issuer's option, prior to any Change of Control, but after public announcement of the transaction that constitutes or may constitute the Change of Control, the Issuer shall mail a notice to Holders of the Notes describing the transaction that constitutes or may constitute the Change of Control Triggering Event and offering to repurchase such Notes on the date specified in the notice, which date shall be no earlier than 30 days and

no later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed (the "<u>Change of Control Payment Date</u>"). The notice shall, if mailed prior to the date of consummation of the Change of Control, state that the offer to purchase is conditioned on the Change of Control Triggering Event occurring on or prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

(c) In order to accept the Change of Control Offer, the Holder must deliver to the Paying Agent, at least three Business Days prior to the Change of Control Payment Date, this Security together with the form entitled "Election Form" (which form is annexed hereto) duly completed, or a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or a letter from a member of a national securities exchange, or the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., or a commercial bank or trust company in the United States setting forth:

(i) the name of the Holder of the Note;

(ii) the principal amount of the Note;

(iii) the principal amount of the Note to be repurchased;

(iv) the certificate number or a description of the tenor and terms of the Note;

(v) a statement that the Holder is accepting the Change of Control Offer; and

(vi) a guarantee that the Note, together with the form entitled "Election Form" duly completed, will be received by the Paying Agent at least three Business Days prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

(d) Any exercise by a Holder of its election to accept the Change of Control Offer shall be irrevocable. The Change of Control Offer may be accepted for less than the entire principal amount of the Notes, but in that event the principal amount of the Notes remaining outstanding after repurchase must be equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

(e) On the Change of Control Payment Date, the Issuer shall, to the extent lawful:

(i) accept for payment all Notes of this series or portions of such Notes properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer;

(ii) deposit with the Paying Agent an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all Notes of this series or portions of such Notes properly tendered; and

(iii) deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Notes of this series properly accepted together with an Officers' Certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of Notes of this series or portions of such Notes being repurchased.

(f) The Issuer shall not be required to make a Change of Control Offer upon the occurrence of a Change of Control Triggering Event if a third party makes such an offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements for an offer made by the Issuer and the third party purchases all Notes of this series properly tendered and not withdrawn under its offer. In addition, the Issuer shall not repurchase any Notes if there has occurred and is continuing on the Change of Control Payment Date an Event of Default under the Indenture with respect to the Notes, other than a default in the payment of the Change of Control Payment upon a Change of Control Triggering Event.

(g) The Issuer shall comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the 'Exchange Act"), and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent those laws and regulations are applicable in connection with the repurchase of the Notes as a result of a Change of Control Triggering Event. To the extent that the provisions of any such securities laws or regulations conflict with the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Notes, the Issuer shall comply with those securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Notes by virtue of any such conflict.

Section 3.2. Additional Definitions. For purposes of the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Securities of this series, the following terms are applicable:

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following: (1) the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) (other than the Issuer or a Subsidiary) becomes the beneficial owner (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Issuer's Voting Stock or other Voting Stock into which the Issuer's Voting Stock is reclassified, consolidated, exchanged or changed, measured by voting power rather than number of shares; (2) the direct or indirect sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or more series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to one or more Persons (other than the Issuer or a Subsidiary); or (3) the first day on which a majority of the members of the Issuer's Board of Directors are not Continuing Directors. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction shall not be deemed to involve a Change of Control if (1) the Issuer becomes a direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of a holding company and (2)(A) the direct or indirect holders of the Voting Stock of such holding company immediately following that transaction are substantially the same as the holders of the Issuer's Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence.

"Change of Control Triggering Event" means the occurrence of both a Change of Control and a Rating Event.

"<u>Continuing Directors</u>" means, as of any date of determination, any member of the Issuer's Board of Directors who (1) was a member of such Board of Directors on the date the Securities of this series were issued or (2) was nominated for election, elected or appointed to such Board of Directors with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of such Board of Directors at the time of such nomination, election or appointment (either by a specific vote or by approval of the Issuer's proxy statement in which such member was named as a nominee for election as a director, without objection to such nomination).

"Investment Grade Rating" means a rating equal to or higher than Baa3 (or the equivalent) by Moody's and BBB- (or the equivalent) by S&P, and the equivalent investment grade credit rating from any additional rating agency or rating agencies selected by the Issuer.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"<u>Rating Agencies</u>" means (1) each of Moody's and S&P; and (2) if any of Moody's or S&P ceases to rate the Securities of this series or fails to make a rating of such Securities publicly available for reasons outside of the Issuer's control, a "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" within the meaning of Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act selected by the Issuer (as certified by a resolution of the Issuer's Board of Directors) as a replacement agency for Moody's or S&P, or all of them, as the case may be.

"<u>Rating Event</u>" means the rating on the Notes is lowered by each of the Rating Agencies and the Notes are rated below an Investment Grade Rating by each of the Rating Agencies on any day within the 60-day period (which 60-day period shall be extended so long as the rating of the Notes is under publicly announced consideration for a possible downgrade by any of the Rating Agencies) after the earlier of (1) the occurrence of a Change of Control and (2) public notice of the occurrence of a Change of Control or the Issuer's intention to effect a Change of Control.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Rating Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

"Voting Stock" means, with respect to any specified "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) as of any date, the capital stock of such person that is at the time entitled to vote generally in the election of the board of directors of such person.

ARTICLE FOUR

Defeasance

Section 4.1. <u>Defeasance Applicable to Notes</u>. Pursuant to <u>Section 301(18)</u> of the Original Indenture, provision is hereby made for both (i) defeasance of the Notes under <u>Section 402(2)</u> of the Original Indenture and (ii) covenant defeasance of the Notes under <u>Section 301(18)</u> of the Original Indenture, in each case, upon the terms and conditions contained in Article Four of the Original Indenture. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to <u>Section 301(18)</u> of the Original Indenture, <u>Section 402(4)(ii)</u> of the Original Indenture is hereby amended by (A) replacing the phrase "an Opinion of Counsel" with the phrase "a legal opinion of outside counsel," (B) replacing the phrase "such Opinion of Counsel," with the phrase "beneficial owners."

ARTICLE FIVE

Defaults and Remedies

Section 5.1. Events of Default. Except as provided below, Section 501 of the Original Indenture shall be applicable to the Notes. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to Section 301(15) of the Original Indenture, Section 501(4) of the Original Indenture is hereby amended by deleting such section in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

(4) default (i) in the payment when due after giving effect to any applicable grace period of any scheduled principal on any Indebtedness of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries, having an aggregate principal amount outstanding of at least \$50,000,000, or (ii) in the performance of any other term or provision of any such Indebtedness which default shall have resulted in such Indebtedness becoming or being declared due and payable prior to the date on which it would otherwise have become due and payable, without such Indebtedness having been discharged, or such acceleration having been rescinded or annulled within the later of (i) the period specified in such instrument and (ii) 15 days after written notice to the Issuer by the Trustee or Holders of at least 25% of the aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such series then Outstanding.

ARTICLE SIX

Amendments and Waivers

Section 6.1. <u>Modification and Amendment with Consent of Holders of the Notes</u> Except as provided below, <u>Section 902</u> of the Original Indenture shall be applicable to the Notes. After the Issuer's obligation to purchase the Notes arises under Article Three of this Second Supplemental Indenture, the Issuer shall not, without the consent of each of the Holders of the then Outstanding Notes, amend, change or modify in any material respect the Issuer's obligation to make and consummate a Change of Control Offer in the event of a Change of Control Triggering Event or, after such Change of Control Triggering Event has occurred, modify any of the provisions or definitions with respect thereto.

Section 6.2. <u>Modification and Amendment without Consent of Holders of the Notes</u>. Except as provided below, <u>Section 901</u> of the Original Indenture shall be applicable to the Notes. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to <u>Section 301(15)</u> of the Original Indenture, <u>Section 901(1)</u> of the Original Indenture is hereby amended by deleting such section in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

(1) to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency; provided that this action shall not adversely affect the interests of holders of the notes in any material respect.

ARTICLE SEVEN

Covenants

Section 7.1. Covenants. For purposes of the Notes, pursuant to Section 301(15) of the Original Indenture, Article 10 of the Original Indenture is hereby supplemented by incorporating therein the following additional covenants which the Issuer shall observe solely for the benefit of the Holders for so long as any Note is Outstanding:

(a) Limitation on Mortgages and Liens. The Issuer will not at any time directly or indirectly create or assume and will not cause or permit a Subsidiary directly or indirectly to create or assume, otherwise than in favor of the Issuer or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary, any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance upon any Principal Facility or any interest it may have therein or upon any stock of any Subsidiary or any indebtedness of any Subsidiary to the Issuer or any other Subsidiary, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, without making effective provision (and the Issuer covenants that in such case it will make or cause to be made, effective provision) whereby the Outstanding Securities and any other indebtedness of the Issuer dhere obligations and indebtedness shall be so secured (provided, that for the purpose of providing such equal and ratable security, the principal amount of Outstanding Securities of any series of Discount Securities shall be such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of that series); *provided, however*, that the foregoing covenant shall not be applicable to the following:

(i) (A) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance on any such property hereafter acquired or constructed by the Issuer or a Subsidiary, or on which property so constructed is located, and created prior to, contemporaneously with or within 360 days after, such acquisition or construction or the commencement of commercial operation of such property to secure or provide for the payment of any part of the purchase or construction price of such property, or (B) the acquisition by the Issuer or a Subsidiary of such property subject to any mortgage, pledge, or other lien or encumbrance upon such property existing at the time of acquisition thereof, whether or not assumed by the Issuer or such Subsidiary, or (C) any

mortgage, pledge, or other lien or encumbrance existing on the property, shares of stock or indebtedness of a corporation at the time such corporation shall become a Subsidiary, or (D) any conditional sales agreement or other title retention agreement with respect to any property hereafter acquired or constructed; *provided* that, in the case of <u>subclauses (A)</u> through (D) of this <u>clause (i)</u>, the lien of any such mortgage, pledge or other lien does not spread to property owned prior to such acquisition or constructed or to other property thereafter acquired or constructed other than additions to such acquired or constructed property and other than property on which property so constructed is located; and *provided*, *further*, that if a firm commitment from a bank, insurance company or other lender or investor (not including the Issuer) for the financing of the acquisition or construction of property is made prior to, contemporaneously with or within the 360-day period hereinabove referred to, the applicable mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance shall be deemed to be permitted by this <u>clause (i)</u> whether or not created or assumed within such period;

(ii) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance created for the sole purpose of extending, renewing or refunding any mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance permitted by <u>clause (i)</u> of this <u>subsection (a)</u>; *provided, however*, that the principal amount of indebtedness secured thereby shall not exceed the principal amount of indebtedness so secured at the time of such extension, renewal or refunding and that such extension, renewal or refunding mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance shall be limited to all or any part of the same property that secured the mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance extended, renewed or refunded;

(iii) liens for taxes or assessments or governmental charges or levies not then due and delinquent or the validity of which is being contested in good faith, and against which an adequate reserve has been established; liens on any such property created in connection with pledges or deposits to secure public or statutory obligations or to secure performance in connection with bids or contracts; materialmen's, mechanics', carrier's, workmen's, repairmen's or other like liens; or liens on any such property created in connection with deposits to obtain the release of such liens; liens on any such property created in connection with deposits to secure surety, stay, appeal or customs bonds; liens created by or resulting from any litigation or legal proceeding which is currently being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings; leases and liens, rights of reverter and other possessory rights of the lessor thereunder; zoning restrictions, easements, rights-of-way or other restrictions on the use of real property or minor irregularities in the tile thereto; and any other liens and encumbrances similar to those described in this <u>clause (iii)</u>, the existence of which does not, in the opinion of the Issuer, materially impair the use by the Issuer or a Subsidiary of the affected property in the operation of the business of the Issuer or a Subsidiary, or the value of such property for the purposes of such business;

(iv) any contracts for production, research or development with or for the Government, directly or indirectly, providing for advance, partial or progress payments on such contracts and for a lien, paramount to all other liens, upon money advanced or paid pursuant to such contracts, or upon any material or supplies in connection with the performance of such contracts to secure such payments to the Government; and liens or other evidences of interest in favor of the Government, paramount to all other liens, on any equipment, tools, machinery, land or buildings hereafter constructed, installed or purchased by the Issuer or a Subsidiary primarily for the purpose of manufacturing or producing any product or performing any development work, directly or indirectly, for the Government to secure indebtedness incurred and owing to the Government for the construction, installation or purchase of such equipment, tools, machinery, land or buildings. For the purpose of this <u>clause (iv)</u>, "Government" shall mean the Government of the United States of America and any department, agency or political subdivision thereof;

(v) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance created after the date of this Second Supplemental Indenture on any property leased to or purchased by the Issuer or a Subsidiary after that date and securing, directly or indirectly, obligations issued by a state, a territory or a possession of the United States, or any political subdivision of any of the foregoing, or the District of Columbia, to finance the cost of acquisition or cost of construction of such property, provided that the interest paid on such obligations is entitled to be excluded from gross income of the recipient pursuant to Section 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or any successor to such provision), as in effect at the time of the issuance of such obligations;

(vi) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance on any property now owned or hereafter acquired or constructed by the Issuer or a Subsidiary, or on which property so owned, acquired or constructed is located, to secure or provide for the payment of any part of the construction price or cost of improvements of such property, and created prior to, contemporaneously with or within 360 days after, such construction or improvement; provided, that if a firm commitment from a bank, insurance company or other lender or investor (not including the Issuer, a Subsidiary or an Affiliate of the Issuer) for the financing of the acquisition or construction of property is made prior to, contemporaneously with or within the 360-day period hereinabove referred to, the applicable mortgage, pledge, lien or encumbrance shall be deemed to be permitted by this <u>clause (vi)</u> whether or not created or assumed within such period; and

(vii) any mortgage, pledge or other lien or encumbrance not otherwise permitted under this <u>Section 7.1(a)</u>; *provided*, the aggregate amount of indebtedness secured by all such mortgages, pledges, liens or encumbrances, together with the aggregate sale price of property involved in sale and leaseback transactions not otherwise permitted except under <u>Section 7.1(b)(i)</u> does not exceed 15% of Consolidated Stockholders' Equity.

(b) <u>Limitation on Sale and Leaseback Transactions</u>. The Issuer will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, sell or transfer (except to the Issuer or one or more Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries, or both) any Principal Facility owned by it on the date of this Indenture with the intention of taking back a lease of such property, other than a lease for a temporary period (not exceeding 36 months) with the intent that the use by the Issuer or such Subsidiary of such property will be discontinued at or before the expiration of such period, unless either:

(i) the sum of the aggregate sale price of property involved in sale and leaseback transactions not otherwise permitted under this <u>Section 7.1(b)</u> plus the aggregate amount of indebtedness secured by all mortgages, pledges, liens and encumbrances not otherwise permitted except under <u>Section 7.1(a)(vii)</u> does not exceed 15% of Consolidated Stockholders' Equity; or

(ii) the Issuer within 120 days after the sale or transfer shall have been made by the Issuer or by any such Subsidiary applies an amount equal to the greater of (A) the net proceeds of the sale of the Principal Facility sold and leased back pursuant to such arrangement or (B) the fair market value of the Principal Facility sold and leased back at the time of entering into such arrangement (which may be conclusively determined by the Board of Directors of the Issuer) to the retirement of Securities or other Funded Debt of the Issuer ranking on a parity with the Securities; provided, that the amount required to be applied to the retirement of Outstanding Securities or other Funded Debt of the Issuer pursuant to this <u>subclause (ii)</u> shall be reduced by

(1) the principal amount (or, if the Securities of that series are Discount Securities, such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of that series) of any Securities delivered within 120 days after such sale to the Trustee for retirement and cancellation, and (2) the principal amount of any other Funded Debt of the Issuer ranking on a parity with the Securities voluntarily retired by the Issuer within 120 days after such sale, whether or not any such retirement of Funded Debt shall be specified as being made pursuant to this <u>subclause (ii)</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no retirement referred to in this<u>clause (ii)</u> may be effected by payment at maturity or pursuant to any mandatory sinking fund payment or any mandatory prepayment provision.

Section 7.2. Additional Definitions. For purposes of the covenants set forth in Section 7.1 hereof, the following terms are applicable:

"Consolidated Stockholders' Equity," at any time, means the total stockholders' equity of the Issuer and its consolidated subsidiaries, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, as of the end of the most recently completed fiscal quarter of the Issuer for which financial information is then available.

"Discount Security" means any Security which is issued with "original issue discount" within the meaning of Section 1273(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations thereunder.

"Funded Debt" means any indebtedness for money borrowed, created, issued, incurred, assumed or guaranteed which would, in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice, be classified as long-term debt, but in any event including all indebtedness for money borrowed, whether secured or unsecured, maturing more than one year or extendible at the option of the obligor to a date more than one year, after the date of determination thereof (excluding any amount thereof included in current liabilities).

"Principal Facility" means the real property, fixtures, machinery and equipment relating to any facility owned by the Issuer or any Subsidiary, except for any facility that, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, is not of material importance to the business conducted by the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

"Wholly-Owned Subsidiary" means a Subsidiary of which all of the outstanding voting stock (other than directors' qualifying shares) is at the time, directly or indirectly, owned by the Issuer, or by one or more Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries of the Issuer or by the Issuer and one or more Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries.

ARTICLE EIGHT

Miscellaneous

Section 8.1. Effect of Supplemental Indenture. Except as expressly modified or amended hereby, the Original Indenture continues in full force and effect and is in all respects confirmed, ratified and preserved. This Second Supplemental Indenture and all its provisions shall be deemed a part of the Original Indenture in the manner and to the extent herein and therein provided.

Section 8.2. <u>Application of Second Supplemental Indenture</u>. Each and every term and condition contained in this Second Supplemental Indenture that modifies, amends or supplements the terms and conditions of the Original Indenture shall apply only to the Notes created hereby and not to any existing or future series of Securities established under the Original Indenture.

Section 8.3. <u>Benefits of Second Supplemental Indenture</u>. Nothing contained in this Second Supplemental Indenture shall be construed to confer upon any person other than a Holder of the Notes, the Issuer, the Trustee and the calculation agent any right or interest to avail itself, himself or herself as the case may be, of any benefit under any provision of the Original Indenture or this Second Supplemental Indenture.

Section 8.4. Effective Date. This Second Supplemental Indenture shall be effective as of the date first above written and upon the execution and delivery hereof by each of the parties hereto.

Section 8.5. Governing Law. This Second Supplemental Indenture shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

Section 8.6. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Second Supplemental Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 8.7. Effect of Headings. The Article and Section headings herein are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

Section 8.8. <u>Separability Clause</u>. In case any provision in this Second Supplemental Indenture or in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 8.9. <u>Satisfaction and Discharge; Defeasance</u>. The Issuer shall be deemed to have satisfied and discharged all of its obligations under the Indenture upon compliance with the provisions of <u>Section 401</u> of the Original Indenture. The provisions of <u>Section 402(2)</u> and <u>Section 402(3)</u> of the Original Indenture relating to defeasance shall be applied to the Notes upon compliance with the conditions set forth in such provisions.

Section 8.10. The Trustee makes no representation or warranty as to the validity or sufficiency of this Second Supplemental Indenture.

Section 8.11. In no event shall the Trustee be responsible or liable for special, indirect, or consequential loss or damage of any kind whatsoever (including, but not limited to, loss of profit) irrespective of whether the Trustee has been advised of the likelihood of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action.

Section 8.12. EACH OF THE ISSUER AND THE TRUSTEE HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, THE INDENTURE, THE NOTES OR THE TRANSACTION CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

Section 8.13. In no event shall the Trustee be responsible or liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations hereunder arising out of or caused by, directly or indirectly, forces beyond its control, including, without limitation, strikes, work stoppages, accidents, acts of war or terrorism, civil or military disturbances, nuclear or natural catastrophes or acts of God, and interruptions, loss or malfunctions of utilities, communications or computer (software and hardware) services; it being understood that the Trustee shall use reasonable efforts which are consistent with accepted practices in the banking industry to resume performance as soon as practicable under the circumstances.

Section 8.14. The Trustee agrees to accept and act upon instructions or directions pursuant to this Indenture sent by unsecured e-mail, pdf, facsimile transmission or other similar unsecured electronic methods, provided, however, that the Trustee shall have received an incumbency certificate listing persons designated to give such instructions or directions and containing specimen signatures of such designated persons, which such incumbency certificate shall be amended and replaced whenever a person is to be added or deleted from the listing. If the Issuer elects to give the Trustee e-mail or facsimile instructions (or instructions by a similar electronic method) and the Trustee in its discretion elects to act upon such instructions, the Trustee's understanding of such instructions shall be deemed controlling. The Trustee shall not be liable for any losses, costs or expenses arising directly or indirectly from the Trustee's reliance upon and compliance with such instructions notwithstanding such instructions conflict or are inconsistent with a subsequent written instruction. The Issuer agrees to assume all risks arising out of the use of such electronic methods to submit instructions to the Trustee, including without limitation the risk of the Trustee acting on unauthorized instructions, and the risk or interception and misuse by third parties.

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

EQUIFAX INC. as Issuer

 By:
 /s/ Mark E. Young

 Name:
 Mark E. Young

 Title:
 Senior Vice President and Treasurer

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Trustee

By: /s/ David Ferrell

Name: David Ferrell Title: Vice President

[Equifax Inc. – Second Supplemental Indenture]

[FACE OF NOTE]

THIS NOTE IS A SECURITY IN GLOBAL FORM ("GLOBAL SECURITY") WITHIN THE MEANING OF <u>SECTION 203</u> OF THE ORIGINAL INDENTURE HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AND IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, A NEW YORK CORPORATION (THE "DEPOSITORY"), OR A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITORY, WHICH MAY BE TREATED BY THE ISSUER, THE TRUSTEE AND ANY AGENT THEREOF AS OWNER AND HOLDER OF THIS NOTE FOR ALL PURPOSES.

UNLESS THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, A NEW YORK CORPORATION ("DTC"), TO THE ISSUER OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC, ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

UNLESS AND UNTIL THIS CERTIFICATE IS EXCHANGED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FOR NOTES IN CERTIFICATED FORM, THIS CERTIFICATE MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT AS A WHOLE BY DTC TO A NOMINEE THEREOF OR BY A NOMINEE THEREOF TO DTC OR ANOTHER NOMINEE OF DTC OR BY DTC OR ANY SUCH NOMINEE TO A SUCCESSOR OF DTC OR A NOMINEE OF SUCH SUCCESSOR.

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EQUIFAX INC.

3.250% Senior Notes due 2026

Equifax Inc., a Georgia corporation (the "<u>Issuer</u>," which term includes any successor under the Original Indenture hereinafter referred to), for value received, hereby promises to pay to Cede & Co. or its registered assigns, the principal sum of [___] Dollars on June 1, 2026 (the "Maturity Date"), and to pay interest thereon from May 12, 2016 (or from the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for) in U.S. dollars semi-annually in arrears on June 1 and December 1 of each year, each, an "Interest Payment Date", commencing on December 1, 2016, and on the Maturity Date, at the rate of 3.250% per annum, until payment of said principal sum has been made or duly provided for.

The interest so payable and punctually paid or duly provided for on any Interest Payment Date and on the Maturity Date will be paid to the Holder in whose name this Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) is registered at the close of business on the "Record Date" for such payment, which will be May 15 and November 15 (regardless of whether such day is a Business Day (as defined below)). Any interest not so punctually paid or duly provided for shall forthwith cease to be payable to the Holder on such record date, and shall be paid to the Holder in whose name this Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) is registered at the close of business Day (as defined below)). Any interest not so punctually paid or duly provided for shall forthwith cease to be payable to the Holder on such record date, and shall be paid to the Holder in whose name this Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) is registered at the close of business on a subsequent record date for the payment of such defaulted interest (which shall be not less than five Business Days (as defined below) prior to the date of the payment of such defaulted interest) established by notice given by mail by or on behalf of the Issuer to the Holders of the Notes not less than 15 days preceding such subsequent record date. Interest on this Note will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

The principal of this Note payable on the Maturity Date will be paid against presentation and surrender of this Note at the office or agency of the Issuer maintained for that purpose in The Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York. The Issuer hereby initially designates the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee in the City of New York as the office to be maintained by it where Notes may be presented for payment, registration of transfer, or exchange and where notices or demands to or upon the Issuer in respect of the Notes or the Original Indenture referred to on the reverse hereof may be served.

Interest payable on this Note on any Interest Payment Date and on the Maturity Date, as the case may be, will be the amount of interest accrued from and including the immediately preceding Interest Payment Date (or from and including May 12, 2016, in the case of the initial Interest Payment Date) to but excluding the applicable Interest Payment Date or the Maturity Date or the Maturity Date falls on a day that is not a Business Day (as defined below), the required payment of interest or principal or both, as the case may be, will be made on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if it were made on the date such payment was due and no interest will accrue on the amount so payable for the period from and after such Interest Payment Date or the Maturity Date, as the case may be. "Business Day" means any calendar day, that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in New York, New York and on which commercial banks are open for business in New York, New York.

Payments of principal and interest in respect of this Note will be made by wire transfer of immediately available funds in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

Reference is made to the further provisions of this Note set forth on the reverse hereof. Such further provisions shall for all purposes have the same effect as though fully set forth at this place.

This Note shall not be entitled to the benefits of the Original Indenture referred to on the reverse hereof or be valid or become obligatory for any purpose until the certificate of authentication hereon shall have been signed by the Trustee under such Indenture.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer has caused this instrument to be signed manually or by facsimile by its authorized officers.

Dated as of May 12, 2016

EQUIFAX INC.,	
as Issuer	

By: Name: Title:

TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This is one of the Securities of the series designated herein referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

Date: _____

By:

[REVERSE OF NOTE]

EQUIFAX INC.

3.250% Senior Notes due 2026

This security is one of a duly authorized issue of debentures, notes, bonds, or other evidences of indebtedness of the Issuer (hereinafter called the '<u>Securities</u>'') of the series hereinafter specified, all issued or to be issued under and pursuant to an Indenture dated as of May 12, 2016 (hereinafter called the '<u>Original Indenture</u>''), duly executed and delivered by the Issuer to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee (hereinafter called the '<u>Trustee</u>,'' which term includes any successor trustee under the Original Indenture with respect to the series of Securities of which this Note is a part), and a Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016, between the Issuer and the Trustee (the '<u>Second Supplemental Indenture</u>,'' the Original Indenture as modified and supplemented by the Second Supplemental Indenture is herein called the <u>Indenture</u>'') to which the Original Indentures supplemental thereto relating to this security reference is hereby made for a description of the rights, limitations of rights, obligations, duties, and immunities thereunder of the Trustee, the Issuer, and the Holders of the Securities, and of the terms upon which the Securities are, and are to be, authenticated and delivered. Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings set forth in the Original Indenture. The Securities may be issued in various aggregate principal amounts, may mature at different times, may bear interest (if any) at different rates, may be subject to different redemption provisions (if any), and may otherwise vary as provided in the Original Indenture or any indenture or any indenture supplemental thereto. This security is one of a series designated as the 3.250% Senior Notes due 2026 of the Issuer (the ''<u>Notes</u>''), initially limited in aggregate principal amount to \$275,000,000.

In case an Event of Default with respect to this security shall have occurred and be continuing, the principal hereof together with accrued interest to the date of declaration, if any, may be declared, and upon such declaration shall become, due and payable, in the manner, with the effect, and subject to the conditions provided in the Original Indenture.

Except as otherwise may be specified herein or in the Second Supplemental Indenture, prior to March 1, 2026, the Issuer shall have the right to redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at a redemption price (the "Optional Redemption Price") equal to the greater of (i) 100% of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the Redemption Date, and (ii) the sum of the present values of the Remaining Scheduled Payments of principal and interest (exclusive of interest accrued to the Redemption Date) discounted to the Redemption Date on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate *plus* 25 basis points, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount being redeemed to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

On or after March 1, 2026, the Issuer shall have the right to redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, at the Issuer's option, for an amount in cash equal to 100% of the principal amount *plus* any accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount being redeemed to, but excluding the Redemption Date.

The Issuer will mail notice of such redemption to the registered holders of the Notes to be redeemed not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date. If Notes are only partially redeemed pursuant to the Second Supplemental Indenture, the Notes to be redeemed will be selected by the Trustee in such manner as in its sole discretion it shall deem appropriate and fair; *provided*, that if at the time of redemption the Notes to be redeemed are registered as a Global Note, the Depository shall

determine, in accordance with its procedures, the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed held by each of its participants that holds a position in such Notes. The Optional Redemption Price shall be paid prior to 12:00 noon, New York time, on the Redemption Date or at such later time on such date as is then permitted by the rules of the Depository for the Notes (if then registered as a Global Note); *provided*, that the Issuer shall deposit with the Trustee an amount sufficient to pay the Optional Redemption Price by 10:00 a.m., New York time, on the date such Optional Redemption Price is to be paid.

If a Change of Control Triggering Event occurs, unless the Issuer has exercised its option to redeem the Securities of this series, the Issuer shall be required to make an offer (the "Change of Control Offer") to each Holder of the Notes of this series to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof) of that Holder's Notes on the terms set forth herein. In the Change of Control Offer, the Issuer shall be required to offer payment in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of Notes of this series repurchased, *plus* accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on the Notes of this series repurchase (the <u>Change of Control Payment</u>"). Within 30 days following any Change of Control Triggering Event or, at the Issuer's option, prior to any Change of Control, but after public announcement of the transaction that constitutes or may constitute the Change of Control, a notice shall be mailed to Holders of the Notes of this series describing the transaction that constitutes or may constitute the Change of Control Triggering Event and offering to repurchase such Securities on the date specified in the notice, which date shall be no earlier than 30 days and no later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed (the "Change of Control Payment Date"). The notice shall, if mailed prior to the date of control, state that the offer to purchase is conditioned on the Change of Control Triggering Event occurring on or prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

In order to accept the Change of Control Offer, the Holder must deliver to the Paying Agent, at least three Business Days prior to the Change of Control Payment Date, this Security together with the form entitled "Election Form" (which form is annexed hereto) duly completed, or a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or a letter from a member of a national securities exchange, or the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., or a commercial bank or trust company in the United States setting forth:

- (i) the name of the Holder of the Note;
- (ii) the principal amount of the Note;
- (iii) the principal amount of the Note to be repurchased;
- (iv) the certificate number or a description of the tenor and terms of the Note;
- (v) a statement that the Holder is accepting the Change of Control Offer; and

(vi) a guarantee that the Note, together with the form entitled "Election Form" duly completed, will be received by the Paying Agent at least three Business Days prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

Any exercise by a Holder of its election to accept the Change of Control Offer shall be irrevocable. The Change of Control Offer may be accepted for less than the entire principal amount of the Notes, but in that event the principal amount of the Notes remaining outstanding after repurchase must be equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof. On the Change of Control Payment Date, the Issuer shall, to the extent lawful (1) accept for payment all Notes of this series or portions of such Notes properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer, (2) deposit with the Paying Agent

an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all Notes of this series or portions of such Notes properly tendered, and (3) deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Notes of this series properly accepted together with an Officers' Certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of Notes of this series or portions of such Securities being repurchased.

The Issuer shall not be required to make a Change of Control Offer upon the occurrence of a Change of Control Triggering Event if a third party makes such an offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements for an offer made by the Issuer and the third party purchases all Notes of this series properly tendered and not withdrawn under its offer. In addition, the Issuer shall not repurchase any Securities of this series if there has occurred and is continuing on the Change of Control Payment Date an Event of Default under the Indenture with respect to the Notes, other than a default in the payment of the Change of Control Payment upon a Change of Control Triggering Event.

The Issuer shall comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the 'Exchange Act'), and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent those laws and regulations are applicable in connection with the repurchase of the Securities of this series as a result of a Change of Control Triggering Event. To the extent that the provisions of any such securities laws or regulations conflict with the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Notes of this series, the Issuer shall comply with those securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under the Change of Control Offer provisions of the Securities of this series by virtue of any such conflict.

The following terms have the meanings given to them in this Note:

"Business Day" means, unless otherwise specified, any calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in New York, New York and on which commercial banks are open for business in New York, New York.

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following: (1) the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) (other than the Issuer or a Subsidiary) becomes the beneficial owner (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Issuer's Voting Stock or other Voting Stock into which the Issuer's Voting Stock is reclassified, consolidated, exchanged or changed, measured by voting power rather than number of shares; (2) the direct or indirect sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or more series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer's Board of Directors are not Continuing Directors. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction shall not be deemed to involve a Change of Control if (1) the Issuer's Board of indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of a holding company and (2)(A) the direct or indirect holders of the Voting Stock of such holding company immediately following that transaction are substantially the same as the holders of the Issuer's Voting Stock is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) (other than the Issuer or a Subsidiary), other than a holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying the requirements of this sentence, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of such holding company satisfying t

"Change of Control Triggering Event" means the occurrence of both a Change of Control and a Rating Event.

"Comparable Treasury Issue" means the United States Treasury security selected by an Independent Investment Banker as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term ("Remaining Life") of the Notes to be redeemed that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of such Notes.

"<u>Comparable Treasury Price</u>" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, (A) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such Redemption Date, or (B) if the Independent Investment Banker obtains fewer than three such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all such Quotations or, if only one such Quotation is obtained, such Quotation.

"<u>Continuing Directors</u>" means, as of any date of determination, any member of the Issuer's Board of Directors who (1) was a member of such Board of Directors on the date the Notes were issued or (2) was nominated for election, elected or appointed to such Board of Directors with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of such Board of Directors at the time of such nomination, election or appointment (either by a specific vote or by approval of the Issuer's proxy statement in which such member was named as a nominee for election as a director, without objection to such nomination).

"Depository" means a clearing agency registered under Section 17A of the Exchange Act that is designated to act as Depository for the Notes.

"Independent Investment Banker" means an independent investment banking institution of national standing appointed by the Issuer, which may be one of the Reference Treasury Dealers.

"Investment Grade Rating" means a rating equal to or higher than Baa3 (or the equivalent) by Moody's and BBB- (or the equivalent) by S&P, and the equivalent investment grade credit rating from any additional rating agency or rating agencies selected by the Issuer.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"<u>Rating Agencies</u>" means (1) each of Moody's and S&P; and (2) if any of Moody's or S&P ceases to rate the Securities of this series or fails to make a rating of such Securities publicly available for reasons outside of the Issuer's control, a "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" within the meaning of Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act selected by the Issuer (as certified by a resolution of the Issuer's Board of Directors) as a replacement agency for Moody's or S&P, or all of them, as the case may be.

"<u>Rating Event</u>" means the rating on the Notes is lowered by each of the Rating Agencies and the Notes are rated below an Investment Grade Rating by each of the Rating Agencies on any day within the 60-day period (which 60-day period shall be extended so long as the rating of the Securities of this series is under publicly announced consideration for a possible downgrade by any of the Rating Agencies) after the earlier of (1) the occurrence of a Change of Control and (2) public notice of the occurrence of a Change of Control or the Issuer's intention to effect a Change of Control.

"Redemption Date" means, with respect to any optional redemption of Notes pursuant to Section 1.6 of the Second Supplemental Indenture, the date fixed for such redemption pursuant to the Original Indenture and such Notes.

"<u>Reference Treasury Dealer</u>" means J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and their respective successors; *provided* that if any of the foregoing or any such successor shall cease to be a primary U.S. government securities dealer in New York City (a <u>Primary Treasury Dealer</u>"), the Issuer will substitute therefor another Primary Treasury Dealer.

"<u>Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations</u>" means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any Redemption Date, the average, as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Independent Investment Banker by the Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m. on the third Business Day preceding such Redemption Date.

"<u>Remaining Scheduled Payments</u>" means, with respect to the Notes to be redeemed, the remaining scheduled payments of the principal thereof and interest thereon that would be due at the related Redemption Date but before such redemption; provided, however, that if such Redemption Date is not an interest payment date, with respect to the Notes, the amount of the next succeeding scheduled interest payment thereon will be deemed to be reduced by the amount of interest accrued thereon to such Redemption Date.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Rating Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

"Treasury Rate" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, (i) the yield, under the heading which represents the average for the immediately preceding week, appearing in the most recently published statistical release designated "H.15(519)" or any successor publication which is published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and which establishes yields on actively traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity under the caption "Treasury Constant Maturities," for the maturity corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue (if no maturity is within three months before or after the Remaining Life, yields for the two published maturities most closely corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue shall be determined and the Treasury Rate shall be interpolated or extrapolated from such yields on a straight line basis, rounding to the nearest month), (ii) if the period from the Redemption Date to the Maturity Date of the Notes to be redeemed is less than one year, the weekly average yield on actually traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to a constant maturity of one year shall be used, or (iii) if such release (or any successor release) is not published during the week preceding the calculation date or does not contain such yields, the rate per annum equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated using a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such Redemption Date. The Treasury Rate shall be calculated by the Issuer on the third Business Day preceding such Redemption Date. The Trustee shall not be responsible for any such calculation.

"Voting Stock" means, with respect to any specified "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) as of any date, the capital stock of such person that is at the time entitled to vote generally in the election of the board of directors of such person.

The Original Indenture contains provisions permitting the Issuer and the Trustee, with the consent of the Holders of not less than a majority of the aggregate principal amount of all Outstanding Securities of each series to be affected (voting separately), evidenced as provided in the Original Indenture, to execute supplemental indentures for the purpose of adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of the Original Indenture or of any supplemental indenture or modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Securities of each series; *provided* that no such supplemental indenture shall, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security of each such series affected by such supplemental indenture, (1) reduce the percentage of Outstanding Securities

necessary to modify or amend the Original Indenture, to waive compliance with certain provisions of the Original Indenture or certain defaults and their consequences provided in the Original Indenture, or to reduce the quorum or change voting requirements set forth in the Original Indenture; (2) reduce the rate of, or change or have the effect of changing the time for payment of Interest, including Defaulted Interest, on any Security; (3) reduce the principal amount of, or change or have the effect of changing the Stated Maturity of any Security, or adversely change the date on which any Security may be subject to redemption or reduce the Redemption Price therefor; (4) make any Security payable in currency other than that stated in such Security or change the place of payment of any Security from that stated in such Security or in the Original Indenture; (5) make any change in provisions of this Indenture protecting the right of each Holder of a Security to receive payment of principal of and Interest on such Security on or after the due date thereof or to bring suit to enforce such payment, or permitting Holders holding a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Security; or (7) modify any of Section 902 of the Original Indenture or any of the second paragraph of Section 507 of the Original Indenture, except to increase the required percentage to effect the action or to provide that certain other provisions may not be modified or waived without the consent of the Holders of each of the Outstanding Securities affected thereby.

It is also provided in the Original Indenture that, with respect to certain defaults or Events of Default regarding the Securities of any series, the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount outstanding of the Securities of such series (or, in the case of certain defaults or Events of Default, all series of Securities) may on behalf of the Holders of all the Securities of such series (or all of the Securities, as the case may be) waive any such past default or Event of Default and its consequences, prior to any declaration accelerating the maturity of such Securities, or, subject to certain conditions, may rescind a declaration of acceleration and its consequences with respect to such Securities. Any such consent or waiver by the Holder of this Security (unless revoked as provided in the Original Indenture) shall be conclusive and binding upon such Holder and upon all future Holders and owners of the security and any securities that may be issued in exchange or substitution herefor, irrespective of whether or not any notation thereof is made upon this security or such other securities.

No reference herein to the Original Indenture and no provision of this security or of the Original Indenture shall alter or impair the obligation of the Issuer, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the principal of and interest on this Security in the manner, at the respective times, at the rate and in the coin or currency herein prescribed.

This Security is issuable only in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. Securities may be exchanged for a like aggregate principal amount of securities of this series of other authorized denominations at the office or agency of the Issuer in The Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, in the manner and subject to the limitations provided in the Original Indenture, but without the payment of any service charge except for any tax or other governmental charge imposed in connection therewith.

Upon due presentment for registration of transfer of Securities at the office or agency of the Issuer in The Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, one or more new Securities of the same series of authorized denominations in an equal aggregate principal amount will be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor, subject to the limitations provided in the Original Indenture, without charge except for any tax or other governmental charge imposed in connection therewith.

The Issuer, the Trustee or any authorized agent of the Issuer or the Trustee may deem and treat the Person in whose name this security is registered as the absolute owner of this security (whether or not this security shall be overdue and notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing hereon), for

the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal hereof or Optional Redemption Price, if any, and subject to the provisions on the face hereof, interest hereon, and for all other purposes, and neither the Issuer nor the Trustee nor any authorized agent of the Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

The Original Indenture and each Security shall be deemed to be a contract under the laws of the State of New York, and for all purposes shall be construed in accordance with the laws of such state, except as may otherwise be required by mandatory provisions of law.

Capitalized terms used herein which are not otherwise defined shall have the respective meanings assigned to them in the Original Indenture and all indentures supplemental thereto relating to this security.

OPTION OF HOLDER TO ELECT PURCHASE

If you want to elect to have this Note purchased by the Issuer pursuant to Article Three of the Second Supplemental Indenture, check the box:

If you want to elect to have only part of this Note purchased by the Issuer pursuant to Article Three of the Second Supplemental Indenture, state the amount in principal amount that you elect to have purchased: \$

Dated:

Your Signature:

(Sign exactly as your name appears on the other side of this Note.)

Signature Guarantee:

(Signature must be guaranteed)

Signatures must be guaranteed by an "eligible guarantor institution" meeting the requirements of the Registrar, which requirements include membership or participation in the Security Transfer Agent Medallion Program ("STAMP") or such other "signature guarantee program" as may be determined by the Registrar in addition to, or in substitution for, STAMP, all in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

KING & SPALDING

May 12, 2016

Equifax Inc. 1550 Peachtree Street, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Re: Equifax Inc.—Public Offering of Senior Notes due 2021 and Senior Notes due 2026

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Exhibit 5.1

King & Spalding LLP 1180 Peachtree Street N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30309-3521 Phone: 404/ 572-4600 Fax: 404/ 572-5100 www.kslaw.com

We have acted as counsel for Equifax Inc., a Georgia corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, of \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's 2.300% Senior Notes due 2021 (the "2021 Notes") and \$275,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's 3.250% Senior Notes due 2026 (the "2026 Notes" and, together with the 2021 Notes, the "Notes"), pursuant to a Prospectus Supplement dated May 5, 2016 (the "Prospectus Supplement").

In connection with this opinion, we have reviewed such matters of law and examined original, certified, conformed or photographic copies of such other documents, records, agreements and certificates as we have deemed necessary as a basis for the opinions hereinafter expressed. In such review we have assumed the genuineness of signatures on all documents submitted to us as originals and the conformity to original documents of all copies submitted to us as certified, conformed or photographic copies. We have relied, as to the matters set forth therein, on certificates of public officials. As to certain matters of fact material to this opinion, we have relied, without independent verification, upon certificates of the Company and of certain officers of the Company.

We have assumed that the execution and delivery of, and the performance of all obligations under, the Indenture dated as of May 12, 2016 (the "Base Indenture"), between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), as supplemented by a First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016, between the Company and the Trustee (the "First Supplemental Indenture"), and as supplemented by a Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of May 12, 2016, by and between the Company and the Trustee (the "Second Supplemental Indenture"), and as supplemented by a Second Supplemental Indenture, the "Indenture"), has been duly authorized by all requisite action by the Trustee, and that the Indenture was duly executed and delivered by, and is a valid and binding agreement of, the Trustee, enforceable against the Trustee in accordance with its terms.

Based upon the foregoing, and subject to the assumptions, qualifications and limitations set forth herein, we are of the opinion that, upon the issuance and sale thereof as described in the Prospectus Supplement and, when executed by the Company and duly authenticated by the Trustee in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the Notes will be valid and binding obligations of the Company, enforceable against the Company, in accordance with their terms, subject, as to the enforcement of remedies, to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws affecting the rights and remedies of creditors generally, and the effects of general principles of equity.

This opinion is limited in all respects to the laws of the States of Georgia and New York, and no opinion is expressed with respect to the laws of any other jurisdiction or any effect which such laws may have on the opinions expressed herein. This opinion is limited to the matters stated herein, and no opinion is implied or may be inferred beyond the matters expressly stated herein.

This opinion is given as of the date hereof, and we assume no obligation to advise you after the date hereof of facts or circumstances that come to our attention or changes in law that occur which could affect the opinions contained herein. This letter is being rendered solely for the benefit of the Company in connection with the matters addressed herein. This opinion may not be furnished to or relied upon by any person or entity for any purpose without our prior written consent.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the current report on Form 8-K filed on May 12, 2016 and to the reference to us under the caption "Legal Matters" in the Prospectus Supplement.

Very truly yours,

King & Spalding LLP