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FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2017

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

For the transition period from to

Commission File Number 000-21326

Anika Therapeutics, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Massachusetts

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

32 Wiggins Avenue, Bedford, Massachusetts

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(781) 457-9000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

N/A

(Former Name, Former Address and Former Fiscal Year, if Changed Since Last Report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes \boxtimes No \square

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes \boxtimes No \square

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer 🗵	Accelerated filer \Box	Non-accelerated filer \Box	Smaller reporting	Emerging growth
		(Do not check if a smaller	company 🗆	company 🗆
		reporting company)		

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes 🗆 No 🗵

APPLICABLE ONLY TO ISSUERS INVOLVED IN BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS:

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Sections 12, 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court. Yes \Box No \Box

APPLICABLE ONLY TO CORPORATE ISSUERS:

As of October 17, 2017 there were 14,661,769 outstanding shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share.

01730 (Zip Code)

04-3145961

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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References in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to "we," "us," "our," "our company," and other similar references refer to Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and its subsidiaries unless the context otherwise indicates.

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ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited)

ASSETS	1	September 30, 2017	December 31, 2016
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	126,960	\$ 104,261
Investments		25,750	20,500
Accounts receivable, net of reserves of \$217 and \$194 at September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016,			
respectively		23,804	27,598
Inventories, net		20,252	15,983
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		2,268	 2,098
Total current assets		199,034	170,440
Property and equipment, net		53,973	52,296
Other long-term assets		1,283	69
Intangible assets, net		10,738	10,227
Goodwill		8,104	 7,214
Total assets	\$	273,132	\$ 240,246
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$	5,189	\$ 2,303
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		6,516	 6,496
Total current liabilities		11,705	8,799
Other long-term liabilities		545	 2,126
Deferred tax liability		7,593	6,548
Commitments and contingencies (Note 12)			
Stockholders' equity:			
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; 1,250 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding at September 30,			
2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively		-	-
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 60,000 shares authorized, 14,662 and 14,627 shares issued and outstanding			
at September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively		146	146
Additional paid-in-capital		66,746	61,735
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(5,047)	(7,317)
Retained earnings		191,444	 168,209
Total stockholders' equity		253,289	 222,773
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	273,132	\$ 240,246

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited)

	Thre	e Months Er 2017	nded Se	eptember 30, 2016	Nir	e Months Ene 2017	ded So	eptember 30, 2016
Product revenue	\$	27,178	\$	25,783	\$	78,899	\$	74,636
Licensing, milestone and contract revenue		6		6		5,133		17
Total revenue		27,184		25,789		84,032		74,653
Operating expenses:								
Cost of product revenue		6,250		4,998		18,648		16,488
Research and development		5,842		2,822		14,521		7,773
Selling, general and administrative		4,823		4,280		14,862		12,525
Total operating expenses		16,915		12,100		48,031		36,786
Income from operations		10,269		13,689		36,001		37,867
Interest income, net		261		93		335		214
Income before income taxes		10,530		13,782		36,336		38,081
Provision for income taxes		3,643		4,830		12,587		13,619
Net income	\$	6,887	\$	8,952	\$	23,749	\$	24,462
Basic net income per share:								
Net income	\$	0.47	\$	0.61	\$	1.63	\$	1.66
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding		14,579		14,625		14,572		14,726
Diluted net income per share:								
Net income	\$	0.46	\$	0.59	\$	1.58	\$	1.61
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding		15,115		15,077		15,065		15,163
Net income	\$	6,887	\$	8,952	\$	23,749	\$	24,462
Other comprehensive income:								
Foreign currency translation adjustment		690		310		2,270		548
Comprehensive income	\$	7,577	\$	9,262	\$	26,019	\$	25,010

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (in thousands) (unaudited)

	N	ed Sej	September 30, 2016		
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net income	\$	23,749	\$	24,462	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization		3,224		2,777	
Stock-based compensation expense		3,940		2,276	
Deferred income taxes		943		(571)	
Provision for doubtful accounts		(1)		52	
Provision for inventory		609		259	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable		4,388		(104)	
Inventories		(4,668)		(3,229)	
Prepaid expenses, other current and long-term assets		(922)		355	
Accounts payable		2,030		(5,390)	
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		643		1,091	
Income taxes		645		(3,496)	
Other long-term liabilities		(749)		(104)	
Net cash provided by operating activities		33,831		18,378	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Proceeds from maturity of investments		31,250		37,750	
Purchase of investments		(36,500)		(32,250)	
Purchase of property and equipment		(6,506)		(12,608)	
Net cash used in investing activities		(11,756)		(7,108)	
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Repurchases of common stock		-		(25,000)	
Proceeds from exercise of equity awards		310		988	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		310		(24,012)	
Exchange rate impact on cash		314		82	
		514		02	
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		22,699		(12,660)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		104,261		110,707	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	126,960	\$	98,047	
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:	<u>.</u>	<u> </u>		,	
Non-cash investing activities:					
Purchases of property and equipment included in accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	1,208	\$	474	
Build-to-suit lease agreement					
Dunu-io-suit lease agreement	\$	-	\$	1,825	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC. NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (amounts in thousands, except share and per share amounts or as otherwise noted) (unaudited)

1. Nature of Business

Anika Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company") is a global, integrated orthopedic medicines company committed to improving the lives of patients with degenerative orthopedic diseases and traumatic conditions with clinically meaningful therapies along the continuum of care, from palliative pain management to regenerative cartilage repair. The Company has over two decades of global expertise developing, manufacturing, and commercializing products based on the Company's proprietary Hyaluronic Acid ("HA") technology. The Company's orthopedic medicine portfolio includes ORTHOVISC, MONOVISC, and CINGAL, which alleviate pain and restore joint function by replenishing depleted HA, and HYALOFAST, a solid HA-based scaffold to aid cartilage repair and regeneration.

The Company is subject to risks common to companies in the biotechnology and medical device industries including, but not limited to, development by the Company or its competitors of new technological innovations, dependence on key personnel, protection of proprietary technology, commercialization of existing and new products, and compliance with U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") and foreign regulations and approval requirements, as well as the ability to grow the Company's business through appropriate commercial strategies.

2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes have been prepared by the Company pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("US GAAP"). The financial statements include the accounts of Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and its subsidiaries. Inter-company transactions and balances have been eliminated. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in annual financial statements prepared in accordance with US GAAP have been condensed or omitted pursuant to SEC rules and regulations relating to interim financial statements. The December 31, 2016 balances reported herein are derived from the audited consolidated financial statements. In the opinion of management, these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements ortain all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) necessary to fairly state the condensed consolidated financial position of the Company as of September 30, 2017, the results of its operations for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, and cash flows for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 and 2016.

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes should be read in conjunction with the Company's annual financial statements filed with its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016. The results of operations for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the year ending December 31, 2017. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation. This change in classification does not materially affect previously reported cash flows from operations or from financing activities in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows, and had no effect on the previously reported Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations and Comprehensive Income.

3. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Recently Issued

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*. ASU 2014-09 supersedes the revenue recognition requirements in Topic 605, Revenue Recognition, and requires entities to recognize revenue in a way that depicts the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. In July 2015, the FASB issued a one-year deferral of ASU 2014-09 making it effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after December 15, 2017, while also providing for early adoption not to occur before the original effective date. The Company currently anticipates it will adopt the new standard on a modified retrospective basis with the cumulative effect of the change reflected in retained earnings as of January 1, 2018 and to not restate prior periods. The Company has commenced work to assess the impact of the new revenue standard on its principal revenue streams. The Company has not made a determination on the impact to its consolidated financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, *Leases* (Topic 842). ASU 2016-02 amends existing lease accounting requirements. The most significant change will result in the recognition of lease assets and lease liabilities by lessees for virtually all leases. The new guidance will also require significant additional disclosures about the amount, timing, and uncertainty of cash flows from leases. ASU 2016-02 is effective for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2018. Upon adoption, entities are required to recognize and measure leases at the beginning of the earliest period presented using a modified retrospective approach. Early adoption is permitted, and a number of optional practical expedients may be elected to simplify the impact of adoption. The Company is assessing ASU 2016-02 and the impact that adopting this new accounting standard will have on its consolidated financial statements and footnote disclosures.

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-13, *Financial Instruments* (Topic 326) Credit Losses. ASU 2016-13 changes the impairment model for most financial assets and certain other instruments. Under the new standard, entities holding financial assets and net investment in leases that are not accounted for at fair value through net income are to be presented at the net amount expected to be collected. An allowance for credit losses will be a valuation account that will be deducted from the amortized cost basis of the financial asset to present the net carrying value at the amount expected to be collected on the financial asset. ASU 2016-13 is effective as of January 1, 2020. Early adoption is permitted. The adoption of this standard is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements or footnote disclosures.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU No. 2017-04, *Intangibles-Goodwill and Other* (Topic 350): Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment. ASU 2017-04 will simplify the subsequent measurement of goodwill by eliminating Step 2 from the goodwill impairment test. Current guidance requires that companies compute the implied fair value of goodwill under Step 2 by performing procedures to determine the fair value at the impairment testing date of its assets and liabilities (including unrecognized assets and liabilities) following the procedure that would be required in determining the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination. This standard will require companies to perform annual or interim goodwill impairment tests by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount. An entity should recognize an impairment charge for the amount by which the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit's fair value; however, the loss recognized should not exceed the total amount of goodwill allocated to that reporting unit. This standard will be effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019, including interim periods occurring after that date, and will be applied prospectively. Early adoption of this standard is permitted. The adoption of this standard is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements or footnote disclosures.

Recently Adopted

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-09, *Compensation* (Topic 718) Stock Compensation. ASU 2016-09 identifies areas for simplification involving several aspects of accounting for share-based payment transactions, including the income tax consequences, classification of awards as equity or liabilities, an option to recognize gross stock compensation expense with actual forfeitures recognized as they occur, as well as certain classifications on the statement of cash flows. ASU 2016-09 is effective as of January 1, 2017. Since January 1, 2017, the Company has recognized excess tax benefits and tax deficiencies related to share-based payments in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income as a component of the provision for income taxes on a prospective basis. Such excess tax benefits and tax deficiencies were previously recorded in equity. The Company also began presenting tax-related cash flows resulting from share-based payments as operating activities in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and retrospectively revised prior periods to reflect this provision. Accordingly, the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was revised by increasing net cash provided by operating activities by \$0.4 million and by decreasing net cash used in financing activities by \$0.4 million. Lastly, as of January 1, 2017, the Company elected to recognize forfeitures as they occur rather than estimate forfeitures each period on a modified retrospective basis. See Notes 6 and 14 for additional information regarding the impacts on the condensed consolidated financial statements.

4. Investments

All of the Company's investments are classified as available-for-sale and are carried at fair value with unrealized gains and losses recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of related income taxes. The Company held bank certificates of deposit of \$25.8 million and \$20.5 million at September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. There were no unrealized gains or losses on the Company's available-for-sale securities at September 30, 2017 or December 31, 2016.

5. Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is an exit price, representing the amount that would be received from the sale of an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. As a basis for classifying the fair value measurements, a three-tier fair value hierarchy, which classifies the fair value measurements based on the inputs used in measuring fair value, was established as follows: (Level 1) observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities; (Level 2) significant other observable inputs that are observable either directly or indirectly; and (Level 3) significant unobservable inputs for which there is little or no market data, which requires the Company to develop its own assumptions. This hierarchy requires the Company to use observable market data, when available, and to minimize the use of unobservable inputs when determining fair value. On a recurring basis, the Company records its investments at fair value.

The Company's investments are all classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. These investments classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy are valued based on matrix pricing compiled by third party pricing vendors, using observable market inputs such as interest rates, yield curves, and credit risk.

The fair value hierarchy of the Company's cash equivalents and investments at fair value is as follows:

			Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using								
	Septen	nber 30, 2017	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Obser	icant Other vable Inputs Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)					
Cash equivalents:											
Money market funds	\$	5,324	\$	\$	5,324	\$					
Investments:											
Bank certificates of deposit	\$	25,750	\$ -	\$	25,750	\$ -					
				asurem	ents at Repo	rting Date Using					
	Decen	nber 31, 2016	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Obser	icant Other vable Inputs Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)					
Cash equivalents:					<u> </u>						
Money market funds	\$	68,352	\$-	\$	68,352	\$ -					
Bank certificates of deposit		750	-		750	-					
Total cash equivalents	\$	69,102	\$-	\$	69,102	\$-					
Investmenter											
Investments: Bank certificates of deposit	\$	20,500	\$ -	\$	20,500	\$ -					

6. Equity Incentive Plan

The Company estimates the fair value of stock options and stock appreciation rights ("SARs") using the Black-Scholes valuation model. Fair value of restricted stock awards ("RSAs") and restricted stock units ("RSUs") are measured by the grant-date price of the Company's shares. The fair value of each stock option award during the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, was estimated on the grant date using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions:

	Nin	Nine Months Ended September 30,								
	2	017	2016							
Risk-free interest rate	1.60%	- 1.78%	0.94% -	1.40%						
Expected volatility	41.36%	- 44.30%	48.84% -	51.61%						
Expected life (years)		4.0	4.5							
Expected dividend yield	0.	00%	0.00%							

The Company recorded \$1.5 million and \$0.8 million of share-based compensation expense for the three-month periods ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, for equity compensation awards. The Company recorded \$3.9 million and \$2.3 million of share-based compensation expense for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, for equity compensation awards. The Company presents the expenses related to share-based compensation awards in the same expense line items as cash compensation paid to each of its employees as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,					, Nine Months Ended September			
		2017		2016		2017		2016	
Cost of product revenue	\$	107	\$	40	\$	306	\$	66	
Research and development		177		156		340		300	
Selling, general and administrative		1,190		601		3,294		1,910	
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$	1,474	\$	797	\$	3,940	\$	2,276	

On June 13, 2017, the Company's shareholders approved the Anika Therapeutics, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "2017 Plan"). The 2017 Plan replaced the Anika Therapeutics, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2003 Stock Option and Incentive Plan, as amended, (the "2003 Plan"), as the plan under which future grants to employees, directors, officers, and consultants will be made. The 2017 Plan was originally approved by the Company's Board of Directors on March 31, 2017. The terms of the 2017 Plan provide for the grant of incentive stock options, nonqualified stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock awards, restricted stock unit awards, and performance awards that may be settled in cash, stock, or other property. Subject to adjustment for specified types of changes in our capitalization, no more than 1.2 million shares of common stock may be issued under the 2017 Plan.

During the three-month period ended September 30, 2017, a total of 60,609 stock options and 14,506 RSAs were granted under the 2017 Plan. During the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017, a total of 63,109 stock options and 14,506 RSAs were granted under the 2017 Plan and a total of 407,635 stock options were granted under the 2003 Plan. The stock options granted to employees become exercisable or vest ratably over a three-year period. In addition, the Company executed its annual grant of 9,970 RSUs to non-employee directors, and these RSUs vest over a one-year period.

A portion of the stock options granted during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017 contained certain performance criteria in addition to time-based vesting conditions. For performance-based awards with financial achievement targets, the Company recognizes expense using the graded vesting methodology based on the number of shares expected to vest. Compensation cost associated with performance grants is estimated using the Black-Scholes valuation method multiplied by the expected number of shares to be issued, which is adjusted based on the estimated probabilities of achieving the performance goals. Changes to the probability assessment and the estimated shares expected to vest will result in adjustments to the related share-based compensation expense that will be recorded in the period of the change. If the performance targets are not achieved, no compensation cost is recognized and any previously recognized compensation cost is reversed.

In connection with the adoption of ASU 2016-09, as of January 1, 2017, the Company elected to recognize forfeitures as they occur rather than estimate forfeitures each period, which was applied on a modified retrospective basis. Accordingly, the Company recognized a cumulative adjustment to retained earnings at the beginning of the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017, resulting in a reduction of \$0.5 million.

7. Earnings Per Share ("EPS")

Basic EPS is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period. Unvested restricted shares, although legally issued and outstanding, are not considered outstanding for purposes of calculating basic earnings per share. Diluted EPS is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted average number of shares outstanding plus the dilutive effect, if any, of outstanding stock options, SARs, RSAs, and RSUs using the treasury stock method.

The following table provides share information used in the calculation of the Company's basic and diluted earnings per share (in thousands):

	Three Months Ende	d September 30,	Nine Months End	ed September 30,
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Shares used in the calculation of basic earnings per share	14,579	14,625	14,572	14,726
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Stock options, SARs, and RSAs	536	452	493	437
Diluted shares used in the calculation of earnings per share	15,115	15,077	15,065	15,163

Equity awards of 0.5 and 0.6 million shares were outstanding for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017, respectively, and were not included in the computation of diluted EPS because the awards' impact on EPS would have been anti-dilutive. Equity awards of 0.3 and 0.4 million shares were outstanding for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016, respectively, and were not included in the computation of diluted EPS because the awards' impact on EPS would have been anti-dilutive. Equity awards of 0.1 and 0.4 million shares were outstanding for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016, respectively, and were not included in the computation of diluted EPS because the awards' impact on EPS would have been anti-dilutive.

On February 26, 2016, the Company entered into an accelerated stock repurchase agreement with Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC ("Morgan Stanley") pursuant to a Fixed Dollar Accelerated Share Repurchase Transaction ("ASR Agreement") to purchase \$25.0 million of shares of its common stock. Pursuant to the terms of the ASR Agreement, the Company paid Morgan Stanley \$25.0 million in cash and received delivery of 0.4 million shares of the Company's common stock on February 29, 2016 based on a closing market price of \$46.40 per share and the applicable contractual discount.

On August 26, 2016, the Company settled the approximately \$7.5 million remaining under the ASR Agreement, which was recorded as an equity forward sale contract and was included in additional paid-in capital in stockholders' equity in the condensed consolidated balance sheets as it met the criteria for equity accounting. Pursuant to the terms of the ASR Agreement, the final number of shares and the average purchase price was determined at the end of the applicable purchase period, which was August 26, 2016. Based on the volume-weighted average price since the effective date of the ASR Agreement less the applicable contractual discount, Morgan Stanley delivered 0.1 million additional shares to the Company on August 31, 2016. In total, 0.5 million shares were repurchased under the ASR Agreement at an average repurchase price of \$47.08 per share. These shares are held by the Company as authorized but unissued shares pursuant to Massachusetts law. The initial and final delivery of shares resulted in immediate reductions of the outstanding shares used to calculate the weighted-average common shares outstanding for basic and diluted net income per share.

8. Inventories

Inventories consist of the following:

	Sep	tember 30, 2017	De	cember 31, 2016
Raw materials	\$	7,867	\$	5,884
Work-in-process		6,564		5,559
Finished goods		5,821		4,540
Total	\$	20,252	\$	15,983

9. Intangible Assets

Intangible assets as of September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016 consist of the following:

					September 30, 2017				De	cember 31, 2016
				A	ccumulated					
				(Currency					
				Т	ranslation	Accumulated		Net Book		Net Book
	Gr	oss Value	Useful Life	A	Adjustment	Amortization		Value		Value
Developed technology	\$	17,100	15	\$	(2,644)	\$ (7,487)	\$	6,969	\$	6,842
In-process research & development		4,406	Indefinite		(1,061)	-		3,345		2,973
Distributor relationships		4,700	5		(415)	(4,285)		-		-
Patents		1,000	16		(158)	(418)		424		412
Elevess trade name		1,000	9		-	(1,000)		-		-
Total	\$	28,206		\$	(4,278)	\$ (13,190)	\$	10,738	\$	10,227

The aggregate amortization expense related to intangible assets was \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million for the three-month periods ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The aggregate amortization expense related to intangible assets was \$0.7 million and \$0.8 million for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

10. Goodwill

Through September 30, 2017, there have not been any events or changes in circumstances that indicate that the carrying value of goodwill may not be recoverable. Changes in the carrying value of goodwill were as follows:

	Nin	e Months	Twe	elve Months	
	Ended	September 30,	Ended	l December 31,	
	2017			2016	
Balance, beginning	\$	7,214	\$	7,482	
Effect of foreign currency adjustments		890		(268)	
Balance, ending	\$	8,104	\$	7,214	

11. Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses consist of the following:

	September 30, 2017		December 31, 2016
Compensation and related expenses	\$ 2,98	5 \$	3,089
Facility construction costs		-	804
Research grants	43	.3	463
Professional fees	89	17	802
Clinical trial costs	2,13	6	227
Deferred rent		-	231
Other	8	35	880
Total	\$ 6,5	.6 \$	6,496

12. Commitments and Contingencies

In certain of its contracts, the Company warrants to its customers that the products it manufactures conform to the product specifications as in effect at the time of delivery of the specific product. The Company may also warrant that the products it manufactures do not infringe, violate, or breach any U.S. or international patent or intellectual property right, trade secret, or other proprietary information of any third party. On occasion, the Company contractually indemnifies its customers against any and all losses arising out of, or in any way connected with, any claim or claims of breach of its warranties or any actual or alleged defect in any product caused by the negligent acts or omissions of the Company. The Company maintains a products liability insurance policy that limits its exposure to these risks. Based on the Company's historical activity, in combination with its liability insurance coverage, the Company believes the estimated fair value of these indemnification agreements is immaterial. The Company had no accrued warranties at September 30, 2017 or December 31, 2016 and has no history of claims paid.

The Company is also involved in various legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. Although the outcomes of these legal proceedings are inherently difficult to predict, the Company does not expect the resolution of these legal proceedings to have a material adverse effect on its financial position, results of operations, or cash flow.

13. Leases

On October 9, 2015, our Italian subsidiary, Anika Therapeutics S.r.l. ("Anika S.r.l.") entered into a build-to-suit lease agreement with Consorzio Zona Industriale E Porto Fluviale di Padova ("ZIP"), as landlord, pursuant to which Anika S.r.l. leases a new European headquarters facility, consisting of approximately 33,000 square feet of general office, research and development, training, and warehousing space located in Padova, Italy. The lease has an initial term of fifteen years, which commenced on March 1, 2017. The lease will automatically renew for up to three additional six-year terms, subject to certain terms and conditions. The Company has the ability to withdraw from this lease subject to certain financial penalties after six years and with no penalties after the ninth year. Beginning on the commencement date, the lease provides for an initial yearly rent of approximately \$0.3 million.

Construction of the new facility commenced during the first quarter of 2016. During the period of construction, the Company was the deemed owner of the facility. Accordingly, the landlord's costs of constructing the facility were capitalized, as a non-cash transaction, offset by a corresponding facility lease obligation in the Company's consolidated balance sheet. When the construction concluded on March 1, 2017, the Company removed the construction-inprocess asset of \$3.1 million and related liability from its condensed consolidated balance sheet. The Company commissioned ZIP for additional tenant improvements of \$0.8 million, which are recorded within Other long-term assets on the condensed consolidated balance sheet and which will be amortized over the life of the lease. The lease is accounted for as an operating lease based on the Company's assessment of the applicable accounting principles.

14. Income Taxes

Provisions for income taxes were \$3.6 million and \$12.6 million for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017, based on an effective tax rate of 34.6% for both periods. Provisions for income taxes were \$4.8 million and \$13.6 million for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016, based on effective tax rates of 35.0% and 35.8%, respectively. The decrease in income taxes for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 resulted from decreased income before income taxes in addition to a net decrease in the effective tax rate as compared to the same period in the prior year. The net decrease in the effective tax rate for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017, as compared to the same periods in 2016, was primarily due to the increase in the expected research and development and state investment tax credits. In addition, the Company realized windfall tax benefits related to share-based payments in connection with the adoption of ASU 2016-09 during the period. The amount of excess tax benefits recognized as a discrete period income tax benefit was \$0.0 and \$0.3 million for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017, respectively, which decreased the effective tax rate for the interim periods by 0.0% and 0.9%, respectively. Prior to the adoption of ASU 2016-09 excess tax benefits and deficiencies were recorded in equity. The amount of excess tax benefits recognized through additional paid-in-capital was \$0.0 million and \$0.4 million for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016, respectively.

The Company files income tax returns in the United States on a federal basis, in certain U.S. states, and in Italy. The associated tax filings remain subject to examination by applicable tax authorities for a certain length of time following the tax year to which those filings relate.

In connection with the preparation of the financial statements, the Company performed an analysis to ascertain if it was more likely than not that it would be able to utilize, in future periods, the net deferred tax assets associated with its net operating loss carry-forward. The Company has concluded that the positive evidence outweighs the negative evidence and, thus, that the deferred tax assets not otherwise subject to a valuation allowance are realizable on a "more likely than not" basis. As such, the Company did not record a valuation allowance at September 30, 2017 or December 31, 2016.

15. DePuy Synthes Mitek Sports Medicine Agreements

In December 2011, the Company entered into a fifteen-year licensing agreement with DePuy Synthes Mitek Sports Medicine, a division of DePuy Orthopaedics, Inc. ("Mitek"), to exclusively market MONOVISC in the U.S. The Company fully recognized revenue for a milestone payment of \$5.0 million as a result of MONOVISC achieving \$100.0 million in U.S. end-user sales within a consecutive 12-month period ending in June 2017.

ORTHOVISC became available for sale in the United States on March 1, 2004, and it is marketed exclusively by Mitek under the terms of an initial ten-year licensing, distribution, supply, and marketing agreement entered into in December 2003. The agreement was extended by Mitek for additional five-year terms in 2012 and in 2017, with the current agreement to expire on December 20, 2023.

16. Segment and Geographic Information

The Company has one reportable operating segment for the purposes of assessing performance and determining the allocation of resources.

Product revenue by product group is as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months En		ded September 30,		
		2017	2016		2017		2016
Orthobiologics	\$	23,990	\$ 22,428	\$	68,686	\$	65,319
Surgical		1,765	1,173		4,395		3,924
Dermal		358	594		1,235		1,558
Other		1,065	1,588		4,583		3,835
Product Revenue	\$	27,178	\$ 25,783	\$	78,899	\$	74,636

Total revenue by geographic location and as a percentage of overall total revenue for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 and 2016 are as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,				
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	 Total Percentage of			Total	Percentage of
	Revenue	Revenue		Revenue	Revenue
Geographic Location:					
United States	\$ 22,227	82%	\$	21,126	82%
Europe	2,832	10%		2,703	10%
Other	2,125	8%		1,960	8%
Total Revenue	\$ 27,184	100%	\$	25,789	100%

	Nine Months Ended September 30,					
	 20	17	2	016		
	 Total	Percentage of	Total	Percentage of		
	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue		
Geographic Location:						
United States	\$ 68,624	82%	\$ 61,032	82%		
Europe	9,743	11%	8,240	11%		
Other	5,665	7%	5,381	7%		
Total Revenue	\$ 84,032	100%	\$ 74,653	100%		

17. Subsequent Event

On October 24, 2017, the Company, as borrower, entered into a new five-year agreement with Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, swingline lender and issuer of letters of credit, for a \$50.0 million senior revolving line of credit (the "Credit Agreement"). Subject to certain conditions, the Company may request up to an additional \$50.0 million in commitments for a maximum aggregate commitment of \$100.0 million, which requests must be approved by the Revolving Lenders (as defined in the Credit Agreement). Loans under the Credit Agreement generally bear interest equal to, at the Company's option, either: (i) LIBOR plus the Applicable Margin, as defined below, or the (ii) Base Rate, defined as the highest of: (a) the Federal Funds Rate plus 0.50%, (b) Bank of America, N.A.'s prime rate and (c) the one month LIBOR adjusted daily plus 1.0%, plus the Applicable Margin. The Applicable Margin ranges from 0.25% to 1.75% based on the Company's consolidated leverage ratios at the time of the borrowings under the Credit Agreement. The Company has agreed to pay a commitment fee in an amount that is equal to 0.25% per annum on the actual daily unused amount of the credit facility and that is due and payable quarterly in arrears. Loan origination costs will be amortized over the five-year term of the Credit Agreement.

The Credit Agreement contains customary representations, warranties, affirmative and negative covenants, including financial covenants, events of default and indemnification provisions in favor of the Lenders (as defined in the Credit Agreement). The covenants include restrictions governing the Company's leverage ratio and interest coverage ratio, its incurrence of liens and indebtedness, and its entry into certain merger and acquisition transactions or dispositions and other matters, all subject to certain exceptions. The financial covenants require us not to exceed certain maximum leverage and interest coverage ratios. The Lenders have been granted a first priority lien and security interest in substantially all of the Company's assets, except for certain intangible assets.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

You should read the following discussion in conjunction with our financial statements and related notes appearing elsewhere in this report. In addition to historical information, this report contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 concerning our business, consolidated financial condition, and results of operations. The Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") encourages companies to disclose forward-looking statements so that investors can better understand a company's future prospects and make informed investment decisions. Forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, many of which are outside our control, which could cause actual results to differ materially from these statements. Therefore, you should not rely on any of these forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements can be identified by such words as "will," "likely," "may," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "seek," "designed," "develop," "would," "future," "can," "could," and other expressions that are predictions of or indicate future events and trends and that do not relate to historical matters. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this report regarding our strategies, prospects, financial condition, operations, costs, plans, and objectives are forward-looking statements. Examples of forward-looking statements include, among others, statements regarding expected future operating results, expectations regarding the timing and receipt of regulatory results, anticipated levels of capital expenditures, and expectations of the effect on our financial condition of claims, litigation, and governmental and regulatory proceedings.

Please also refer to those factors described in Part II, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 for important factors that we believe could cause actual results to differ materially from those in our forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statement made by us in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q is based only on information currently available to us and speaks only as of the date on which it is made. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, that may be made from time to time, whether as a result of new information, future developments, or otherwise.

Management Overview

We are a global, integrated orthopedic medicines company committed to improving the lives of patients with degenerative orthopedic diseases and traumatic conditions with clinically meaningful therapies along the continuum of care, from palliative pain management to regenerative cartilage repair. We have over two decades of global expertise developing, manufacturing, and commercializing our products based on our proprietary hyaluronic acid ("HA") technology. Our orthopedic medicine portfolio includes ORTHOVISC, MONOVISC, and CINGAL, which alleviate pain and restore joint function by replenishing depleted HA, and HYALOFAST, a solid HA-based scaffold to aid cartilage repair and regeneration.

Our therapeutic offerings consist of products in the following areas: Orthobiologics, Dermal, Surgical, and Other, which includes our ophthalmic and veterinary products. All of our products are based on HA, a naturally occurring, biocompatible polymer found throughout the body. Due to its unique biophysical and biochemical properties, HA plays an important role in a number of physiological functions such as the protection and lubrication of soft tissues and joints, the maintenance of the structural integrity of tissues, and the transport of molecules to and within cells.

Our proprietary technologies for modifying the HA molecule allow product properties to be tailored specifically to therapeutic use. Our patented technology chemically modifies HA to allow for longer residence time in the body. We also offer products made from HA based on two other technologies: HYAFF, which is a solid form of HA, and ACP gel, an autocross-linked polymer of HA. Our technologies are protected by an extensive portfolio of owned and licensed patents.

Since our inception in 1992, we have utilized a commercial partnership model for the distribution of our products to end-users. Our strong, worldwide network of distributors has historically provided, and continues to provide, a solid foundation for our revenue growth and territorial expansion. In 2015, we made the strategic decision to commercialize our next generation viscosupplementation product, CINGAL, in the United States ourselves, initially through the engagement of a contract sales organization. Ultimately, we intend to transition the direct sales function into our company as part of a broader buildout of our commercial capabilities. We believe that the combination of the direct and distribution commercial models will maximize the revenue potential from our current and future product portfolio.

We began a strategic project in 2015 to move the manufacturing of our HYAFF-based products, which were previously manufactured under an existing contract manufacturing agreement with a third party in Italy, to our Bedford, Massachusetts facility. Our main purposes behind this strategic move are to enhance our research and development capabilities with the aim of accelerating future product development and to improve the efficiency of our manufacturing process. We expect to expend approximately \$25.0 million on this project. Since project inception through September 30, 2017, we have expended approximately \$22.7 million on the project, and we have completed key planned project milestones to date. We expect the HYAFF manufacturing to be fully operational before the end of 2017.

Please see the section captioned "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations-Management Overview" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016, for a description of each of the above therapeutic areas, including the individual products.

Research and Development

Our research and development efforts primarily consist of the development of new medical applications for our HA-based technology, the management of clinical trials for certain product candidates, the preparation and processing of applications for regulatory approvals or clearances at all relevant stages of product development, and process development and scale-up manufacturing activities for our existing and new products. Our development focus includes products for tissue protection, repair, and regeneration. We anticipate that we will continue to commit significant resources to research and development, including clinical trials in the future.

Our second single-injection osteoarthritis product under development in the United States is CINGAL, which is composed of our proprietary crosslinked HA material combined with an approved steroid and is designed to provide both short- and long-term pain relief to patients. We completed an initial CINGAL phase III clinical trial, including the associated statistical analysis for 368 enrolled patients, during the fourth quarter of 2014 with data indicating that the product met all primary and secondary endpoints relative to placebo set forth for the trial. During the first half of 2015, we completed a CINGAL retreatment study with 242 patients who had participated in the phase III clinical trial and reported safety data related to the retreatment study. This initial phase III clinical trial and the associated retreatment study supported the Health Canada and CE Mark approval of the product, and the commercial launch of the product in both Canada and the European Union occurred in the second quarter of 2016. In the United States, after discussions with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") related to the regulatory pathway for CINGAL, we conducted a formal meeting with the FDA's Office of Combination Products ("OCP") to present and discuss our data in September 2015, and we submitted a formal request for designation with OCP a month later. In its response to our formal request for designation, OCP assigned the product to the FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research ("CDER") as the lead agency center for premarket review and regulation. Since then, we have been in ongoing discussions with CDER to understand the requirements for submitting a New Drug Application ("NDA") for CINGAL. We held a meeting with CDER in September 2016 to align on an approval framework and on submission requirements for this NDA for CINGAL, including the execution of an additional Phase III clinical trial to supplement our existing CINGAL pivotal study data. We submitted an Investigational New Drug Application ("IND") in late 2016, and discussions with CDER indicated no objections to our clinical protocol design. As a result, we commenced work on this second Phase III clinical trial in the first quarter of 2017, and the first patient was treated in the second quarter of 2017. Enrollment in this second Phase III clinical trial was completed during October 2017. We have also initiated a nine-month extended follow-up study in conjunction with the second Phase III clinical trial to investigate the efficacy of CINGAL over this longer period. This extended follow-up study will not impact the timeline for submission of the NDA for CINGAL following the completion of the second Phase III clinical trial.

We have several research and development programs underway for new products, including for HYALOFAST (in the United States), an innovative product for cartilage tissue repair and other early stage regenerative medicine development programs. HYALOFAST received CE Mark approval in September 2009, and it is commercially available in Europe and certain international countries. During the first quarter of 2015, we submitted an Investigational Device Exemption ("IDE") for HYALOFAST to the FDA, which was approved in July 2015. We commenced patient enrollment in a clinical trial in December 2015, and we are advancing site initiations and patient enrollment activities. In the second quarter of 2016, a supplement to the HYALOFAST IDE was approved to expand the inclusion criteria for the clinical study. The purpose of this supplement is to allow us to increase enrollment rates with the ultimate goal of decreasing the time needed to complete the clinical trial. In addition, we are currently proceeding with other research and development programs, one of which utilizes our proprietary HA technology to treat pain associated with common repetitive overuse injuries, such as lateral epicondylitis, also known as tennis elbow. We submitted a CE Mark application for this treatment during the first quarter of 2016 and received a CE Mark for the treatment of pain associated with tennis elbow in December 2016. Outside of the United States, this product will be marketed under the trade name ORTHOVISC-T. In the second quarter of 2016, we submitted an IDE to the FDA to conduct a phase III clinical trial for this treatment, which was approved by the FDA in June 2016. We also have other research and development programs underway focused on expanding the indications of our current products, including one program being conducted and funded by our U.S. MONOVISC distribution partner, DePuy Synthes Mitek Sports Medicine, a division of DePuy Orthopaedics, Inc. ("Mitek"), seeking to expand MONOVISC's indication to include the treatment of pain associated with osteoarthritis of the hip. In third quarter of 2017, we also submitted an application to the FDA for 510(k) clearance of an injectable HA-based bone repair treatment, which derived from previous research and development activities related to HYALOBONE.

In June 2015, we entered into an agreement with the Institute for Applied Life Sciences at the University of Massachusetts Amherst to collaborate on research to develop a therapy for rheumatoid arthritis. The purpose of this research is to develop a novel modality for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis and, if successful, it is expected to yield a potential product candidate that we could begin to move towards commercialization through additional pre-clinical studies.

Results of Operations

Three- and Nine-Months Ended September 30, 2017 Compared to Three- and Nine-Months Ended September 30, 2016

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Ni	ne Months Er	nded Septemb	er 30,
	2017	2016	\$ Inc/(Dec)	% Inc/(Dec)	2017	2016	\$ Inc/(Dec)	% Inc/(Dec)
	(in	thousands, o	except percent	ages)	(ii	n thousands, e	except percent	ages)
Product revenue	\$ 27,178	\$ 25,783	\$ 1,395	5%	\$ 78,899	\$ 74,636	\$ 4,263	6%
Licensing, milestone and contract revenue	6	6	-	0%	5,133	17	5,116	*
Total revenue	27,184	25,789	1,395	5%	84,032	74,653	9,379	13%
Operating expenses:								
Cost of product revenue	6,250	4,998	1,252	25%	18,648	16,488	2,160	13%
Research and development	5,842	2,822	3,020	107%	14,521	7,773	6,748	87%
Selling, general and administrative	4,823	4,280	543	13%	14,862	12,525	2,337	19%
Total operating expenses	16,915	12,100	4,815	40%	48,031	36,786	11,245	31%
Income from operations	10,269	13,689	(3,420)	(25%)	36,001	37,867	(1,866)	(5%)
Interest income, net	261	93	168	181%	335	214	121	57%
Income before income taxes	10,530	13,782	(3,252)	(24%)	36,336	38,081	(1,745)	(5%)
Provision for income taxes	3,643	4,830	(1,187)	(25%)	12,587	13,619	(1,032)	(8%)
Net income	\$ 6,887	\$ 8,952	\$ (2,065)	(23%)	\$ 23,749	\$ 24,462	\$ (713)	(3%)
Product gross profit	\$ 20,928	\$ 20,785	\$ 143	1%	\$ 60,251	\$ 58,148	\$ 2,103	4%
Product gross margin	77%	81%)		76%	5 78%		

* Percentage increase has been omitted due to magnitude.

Product Revenue

Product revenue for the three-month period ended September 30, 2017 was \$27.2 million, an increase of 5% as compared to \$25.8 million for the three-month period ended September 30, 2016. Product revenue for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017 was \$78.9 million, an increase of 6% as compared to \$74.6 million for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016. For the three-month period ended September 30, 2017, the increase in product revenue was mainly driven by the growth of our orthobiologics and surgical franchises. For the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017, the increase in product revenue was mainly driven by the growth of our orthobiologics and surgical franchises and the growth of our veterinary product in the other franchise category, with such increase being partially offset by a decrease in revenue from our dermal franchise.

The following tables present product revenue by product group for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 and 2016:

	Three Months Ended September 30,					
	 2017	2	016	\$	5 Inc/(Dec)	% Inc/(Dec)
		(in th	ousands, e	xcept	percentages)	
Orthobiologics	\$ 23,990	\$	22,428	\$	1,562	7%
Surgical	1,765		1,173		592	50%
Dermal	358		594		(236)	(40%)
Other	1,065		1,588		(523)	(33%)
Total	\$ 27,178	\$	25,783	\$	1,395	5%

	Nine Months Ended September 30,					
	2017		2016	9	\$ Inc/(Dec)	% Inc/(Dec)
		(in	thousands, e	except	t percentages)	
Orthobiologics	\$ 68,686	\$	65,319	\$	3,367	5%
Surgical	4,395		3,924		471	12%
Dermal	1,235		1,558		(323)	(21%)
Other	4,583		3,835		748	20%
Total	\$ 78,899	\$	74,636	\$	4,263	6%



Orthobiologics

Our orthobiologics franchise consists of our joint health and orthopedic products. Overall, sales increased 7% and 5% for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2016. The growth in the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 was primarily due to an increase in worldwide MONOVISC revenue. MONOVISC worldwide revenue increased during the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 as a result of robust and growing end-user demand for the product. MONOVISC's strong growth is further augmented as end-user demand in the market for viscosupplementation products more generally continues to shift from multi-injection products, including ORTHOVISC, to single-injection products, such as MONOVISC, both domestically and internationally. CINGAL and ORTHOVISC-T, both of which launched internationally during the second half of 2016, also contributed to the growth of orthobiologics revenue during the period. We expect orthobiologics revenue to continue to grow for the remainder of 2017, led by increased MONOVISC revenue in domestic and international markets, including in India, Australia, New Zealand, and Taiwan, where regulatory approvals were achieved in the second quarter and third quarters of 2017, the commercial availability of CINGAL in Canada and Europe, as well as overall revenue growth from our viscosupplementation products both domestically and internationally.

Surgical

Our surgical franchise consists of products used to prevent surgical adhesions and to treat ear, nose, and throat ("ENT") disorders. Sales of our surgical products increased 50% and 12% for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 to \$1.8 million and \$4.4 million, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2016. The increase in surgical product revenue for the three- and nine-month periods was primarily due to an increase in sales to our worldwide ENT commercial partner. We expect surgical product revenue to increase modestly in 2017, as compared to 2016, primarily due to increased worldwide sales of our ENT products.

Dermal

Our dermal franchise consists of advanced wound care products, which are based on our HYAFF technology, and aesthetic dermal fillers. Our advanced wound care products treat complex skin wounds ranging from burns to diabetic ulcers, with HYALOMATRIX and HYALOFILL as the lead products. For the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017, dermal product sales decreased 40% and 21%, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2016. This year-to-date decrease reflects order timing by our distribution partners. We expect dermal revenue to increase in 2017 as compared to 2016 primarily due to increased end-user demand and geographic expansion related to our advanced would care products in the U.S. and European markets.

Other

Other product revenue includes revenues from our ophthalmic and veterinary franchises. Product revenue from these franchises decreased for the three-month and increased for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 as compared to the same periods in 2016. We expect other revenue to increase in 2017 as compared to 2016, driven primarily by our veterinary product.

Licensing, milestone and contract revenue

Licensing, milestone and contract revenue for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 was \$6 thousand and \$5.1 million, as compared to \$6 thousand and \$17 thousand for the same periods in 2016. Revenue for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017 included a \$5.0 million milestone payment associated with our U.S. license agreement with Mitek for MONOVISC that was received and fully recognized as a result of U.S. MONOVISC 12-month end-user sales exceeding \$100.0 million.

Product gross profit and margin

Product gross profit for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 increased \$143 thousand and \$2.1 million to \$20.9 and \$60.3 million, respectively, representing 77% and 76% of product revenue. Product gross profit for the three- and nine- months ended September 30, 2016 was \$20.8 million and \$58.1 million, representing 81% and 78% of product revenue. The decrease in product gross margin for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017, as compared to the same periods in 2016, was primarily attributable to higher production volume in the prior year periods and inventory write-offs in 2017. This current product gross margin may not be indicative of the rest of the year due to dynamics such as future revenue mix and production volume variability.

Research and development

Research and development expenses for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 were \$5.8 million and \$14.5 million, representing 21.5% and 17.3% of total revenue for the respective periods, an increase of \$3.0 million and \$6.7 million, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2016. The increase in research and development expenses was primarily due to a higher level of clinical and regulatory activities, including our HYALOFAST and CINGAL phase III clinical studies. Furthermore, we also increased our pre-clinical product development activities with respect to certain product candidates in our research and development pipeline. Research and development spending is expected to increase in 2017 and thereafter, as compared to 2016, as we further develop new products and line extensions and initiate new clinical trials based on our existing technology assets, including CINGAL and HYALOFAST, as well as increase development activities for other products and line extensions in the pipeline.

Selling, general and administrative

Selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 were \$4.8 million and \$14.9 million, or 17.7% of total revenue for both periods, an increase of \$0.5 million and \$2.3 million, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2016. SG&A expenses increased for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 primarily as a result of increases in personnel related costs, external professional fees, and marketing initiatives to support the CINGAL and ORTHOVISC-T international launches. We expect SG&A expenses for 2017 will increase to reflect the support, including the implementation of improved operational and financial technology platforms, required to grow our business both domestically and internationally.

Income taxes

Provisions for income taxes were \$3.6 million and \$12.6 million for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017, based on an effective tax rate of 34.6% for both periods. Provisions for income taxes were \$4.8 million and \$13.6 million for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016, based on effective tax rates of 35.0% and 35.8%, respectively. The decrease in income taxes for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017 resulted from decreased income before income taxes and a net decrease in the effective tax rate as compared to the same periods in the prior year. The net decrease in the effective tax rate for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017, as compared to the same periods in 2016, was primarily due to the increase in the expected research and development and state investment tax credits.

In addition, we realized windfall tax benefits related to share-based payments in connection with the adoption of ASU 2016-09 as of January 1, 2017. The amount of excess tax benefits recognized as a discrete period income tax benefit was \$0.0 and \$0.3 million for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017, respectively, which decreased the effective tax rate for the interim periods by 0.0% and 0.9%, respectively. Prior to the adoption of ASU 2016-09 excess tax benefits and deficiencies were recorded in equity. The amount of excess tax benefits recognized through additional paid-in-capital was \$0.0 million and \$0.4 million for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016, respectively.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

On October 24, 2017, we entered into a five-year agreement for a \$50.0 million senior revolving line of credit, and as of October 24, 2017, \$50.0 million was available for borrowing under the line of credit. See Note 17 to the condensed consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding the line of credit.

We expect that our requirements for cash to fund operations and capital expenditures will increase as the scope of our operations expands. Historically, we have generated positive cash flow from operations, which together with our available cash and investments have met our cash requirements. Cash, cash equivalents, and investments totaled approximately \$152.7 million and \$124.8 million at September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. Working capital totaled approximately \$187.3 million at September 30, 2017 and \$161.6 million at December 31, 2016. We believe that we have adequate financial resources, including amounts available under the line of credit, to support our business for at least the next twelve months beyond the release of the financial statements.

Cash provided by operating activities was \$33.8 million for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017, as compared to cash provided by operating activities of \$18.4 million for the same period in 2016. This increase in cash was primarily related to a decrease in accounts receivable, an increase in accounts payable, and an increase in income taxes payable, due to the timing of payments, offset, in part, by an increase in inventories.

Cash used in investing activities was \$11.8 million for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017, as compared to cash used in investing activities of \$7.1 million for the same period in 2016. The increase in cash used in investing activities was primarily the result of the purchase of investments offset by maturities of investments during the first half of 2017. Furthermore, expenditures for the buildout of our Bedford, Massachusetts facility are declining and we expect to complete validation by the end of 2017.

Cash provided by financing activities was \$0.3 million for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017, as compared to cash used by financing activities totaling \$24.0 million for the same period in 2016. The decrease in cash used in financing activities for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017 was primarily attributable to the Fixed Dollar Accelerated Share Repurchase Transaction to repurchase \$25.0 million of shares of our common stock in February 2016.

Critical Accounting Estimates

There were no other significant changes in our critical accounting estimates during the nine months ended September 30, 2017 to augment the critical accounting estimates disclosed in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

A discussion of Recent Accounting Pronouncements is included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 and is updated in Note 3 to the condensed consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Contractual Obligations and Other Commercial Commitments

Our contractual obligations and other commercial commitments are summarized in the section captioned "Part II, Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Liquidity and Capital Resources—Contractual Obligations and Other Commercial Commitments" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016. We had no material changes outside the ordinary course of business to our contractual obligations reported in our 2016 Annual Report on Form 10-K during the first nine months of 2017.

To the extent that funds generated from our operations, together with our existing capital resources, are insufficient to meet future requirements, we will be required to obtain additional funds through equity or debt financings, including through the previously discussed \$50.0 million senior revolving line of credit, strategic alliances with corporate partners and others, or through other sources. No assurance can be given that any additional financing will be made available to us or will be available on acceptable terms should such a need arise.

Off-balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not use special purpose entities or other off-balance sheet financing techniques, except for operating leases, that we believe have, or are reasonably likely to have, a current or future material effect on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, or capital resources.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Our market risks, and the ways we manage them, are summarized in the section captioned "Part II, Item 7A, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016. There have been no material changes in the first nine months of 2017 to our market risks or to our management of such risks.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures.

As required by Rule 13a-15 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), we carried out an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based upon that evaluation, the chief executive officer and chief financial officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by our company in the reports it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. On an on-going basis, we review and document our disclosure controls and procedures, and our internal control over financial reporting, and may from time to time make changes aimed at enhancing their effectiveness and to ensure that our systems evolve with our business.

(b) Changes in internal controls over financial reporting.

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the three-month period ended September 30, 2017 that have materially affected, or that are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.



PART II: OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are involved in various legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. Although the outcomes of these legal proceedings are inherently difficult to predict, we do not expect the resolution of these legal proceedings to have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations, or cash flow. There have been no material changes to the information provided in the section captioned "Part I, Item 3, Legal Proceedings" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

There have been no material changes to the risk factors described in the section captioned "Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016. In addition to the other information set forth in this report, you should carefully consider the factors discussed in the section captioned "Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016, which could materially affect our business, financial condition, or future results. The risks described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K are not the only risks we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and/or operating results.

ITEM 6. **EXHIBITS** Exhibit No. Description (10)*10.1 Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., certain subsidiaries of Anika Therapeutics, Inc. as are or may from time to time become parties to the Credit Agreement, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, swingline lender and issuer of letters of credit, and the lenders party thereto. Security and Pledge Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., certain subsidiaries of Anika Therapeutics, *10.2 Inc. listed on the signature pages thereto, and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent. Negotiated Settlement Agreement and General Release, dated July 13, 2017, by and between Stephen Mascioli, M.D., MPH and Anika 10.3 Therapeutics, Inc., incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on July 14, 2017. 10.4 Employment Agreement, dated July 27, 2017, by and between Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and Joseph Darling, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on July 27, 2017. (31)Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certifications. *31.1 Certification of Charles H. Sherwood, Ph.D., pursuant to Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Certification of Sylvia Cheung pursuant to Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of *31.2 2002. (32)Section 1350 Certifications. **32.1 Certification of Charles H. Sherwood, Ph.D., and Sylvia Cheung, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. (101) XBRL *101 The following materials from Anika Therapeutics, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2017, as filed with the SEC on October 27, 2017, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language), as follows: Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2017 (unaudited) and December 31, 2016 (unaudited) i. ii. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income for the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 and September 30, 2016 (unaudited) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 and September 30, 2016 iii. (unaudited) Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) iv. Filed herewith.

** Furnished herewith.

SIGNATURES

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 27, 2017

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC.

By: /s/ SYLVIA CHEUNG

Sylvia Cheung Chief Financial Officer (Authorized Officer and Principal Financial Officer)

[EXECUTION COPY]

CREDIT AGREEMENT

Dated as of October 24, 2017

among

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC., as the Borrower,

CERTAIN SUBSIDIARIES OF THE BORROWER PARTY HERETO,

as the Subsidiary Guarantors,

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

and

THE LENDERS PARTY HERETO

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED, as Sole Lead Arranger and Sole Bookrunner

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CREDIT AGREEMENT

This **CREDIT AGREEMENT** is entered into as of October 24, 2017, among **ANIKA THERAPEUTICS**, **INC.**, a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiaries of the Borrower as are or may from time to time become parties to this Agreement as Subsidiary Guarantors (defined herein), the Lenders (defined herein), and **BANK OF AMERICA**, **N.A.**, as Administrative Agent, Swingline Lender and L/C Issuer.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENTS:

WHEREAS, the Borrower has requested that the Lenders, the Swingline Lender and the L/C Issuer make loans and other financial accommodations to the Borrower in an aggregate amount of \$50,000,000, in the form of a revolving credit facility.

WHEREAS, the Lenders, the Swingline Lender and the L/C Issuer have agreed to make such loans and other financial accommodations to the Borrower on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein.

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

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS AND ACCOUNTING TERMS

1.01 <u>Defined Terms</u>.

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

"<u>Acquisition</u>" means the acquisition, whether through a single transaction or a series of related transactions, of (a) a majority of the Voting Stock or other controlling ownership interest in another Person (including the purchase of an option, warrant or convertible or similar type security to acquire such a controlling interest at the time it becomes exercisable by the holder thereof), whether by purchase of such equity or other ownership interest or upon the exercise of an option or warrant for, or conversion of securities into, such equity or other ownership interest, or (b) assets of another Person which constitute all or substantially all of the assets of such Person or of a division, line of business or other business unit of such Person.

"Additional Secured Obligations" means (a) all obligations arising under Secured Cash Management Agreements and Secured Hedge Agreements and (b) to the extent provided for in this Agreement and the Loan Documents, all out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred in connection with enforcement and collection of the foregoing, including the fees, charges and disbursements of outside counsel, in each case whether direct or indirect (including those acquired by assumption), absolute or contingent, due or to become due, now existing or hereafter arising and including interest, expenses and fees that accrue after the commencement by or against any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Laws naming such Person as the debtor in such proceeding, regardless of whether such interest, expenses and fees are allowed claims in such proceeding; <u>provided</u> that (i) Additional Secured Obligations of a Loan Party shall exclude any Excluded Swap Obligations with respect to such Loan Party, (ii) any obligations or liabilities pursuant to any Secured Cash Management Agreement or Secured Hedge Agreement shall be guaranteed pursuant to the Loan Documents only to the extent that, and for so long as, the other Obligations are guaranteed and (iii) any release of any Guarantor effected in the manner permitted by this Agreement shall not require the consent of holders/lenders party to any Secured Cash Management Agreement or Secured Hedge Agreement.

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

"<u>Administrative Agent's Office</u>" means the Administrative Agent's address and, as appropriate, account as set forth on <u>Schedule 1.01(a)</u>, or such other address or account as the Administrative Agent may from time to time notify the Borrower and the Lenders.

"<u>Administrative Questionnaire</u>" means an Administrative Questionnaire in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit A</u> or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent.

"<u>Affiliate</u>" means, with respect to a specified Person, another Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, Controls or is Controlled by or is under common Control with the Person specified.

"Aggregate Commitments" means the Commitments of all the Lenders.

"Agreement" means this Credit Agreement.

"<u>Applicable Percentage</u>" means the percentage (carried out to the ninth decimal place) of the Revolving Facility represented by such Revolving Lender's Revolving Commitment at such time, subject to adjustment as provided in Section 2.15. If the Commitment of all of the Revolving Lenders to make Revolving Loans and the obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions have been terminated pursuant to Section 8.02, or if the Revolving Commitments have expired, then the Applicable Percentage of each Revolving Lender shall be determined based on the Applicable Percentage of such Revolving Lender in respect of the Revolving Facility most recently in effect, giving effect to any subsequent assignments. The Applicable Percentage of each Lender in respect of the Revolving Facility is set forth opposite the name of such Lender on <u>Schedule 1.01(b)</u> or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender becomes a party hereto or in any documentation executed by such Lender pursuant to Section 2.16.

"<u>Applicable Rate</u>" means, for any day, the rate per annum set forth below opposite the applicable Level then in effect (based on the Consolidated Leverage Ratio), it being understood that the Applicable Rate for (a) Revolving Loans that are Base Rate Loans shall be the percentage set forth under the column "Base Rate Loans", (b) Revolving Loans that are Eurodollar Rate Loans shall be the percentage set forth under the column "Eurodollar Rate Loans & Letter of Credit Fee", (c) the Letter of Credit Fee shall be the percentage set forth under the column "Eurodollar Rate Loans & Letter of Credit Fee", and (d) the Commitment Fee shall be the percentage set forth under the column "Commitment Fee":

Applicable Rate					
		Eurodollar Rate Loans			
Level	Consolidated Leverage Ratio	& Letter of Credit Fee	Base Rate Loans	Commitment Fee	
1	<u><</u> 1.00:1.00	1.25%	0.25%	0.25%	
	> 1.00:1.00 and				
2	<u><</u> 2.00:1.00	1.50%	0.50%	0.25%	
3	> 2.00:1.00	1.75%	0.75%	0.25%	

Any increase or decrease in the Applicable Rate resulting from a change in the Consolidated Leverage Ratio shall become effective as of the first Business Day immediately following the date a Compliance Certificate is delivered pursuant to Section 6.02(b); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (i) if a Compliance Certificate is not delivered when due in accordance with such Section, then, upon the election of the Administrative Agent, or at the request of the Required Lenders, Level 3 shall apply, in each case as of the first Business Day after the date on which such Compliance Certificate was required to have been delivered and in each case shall remain in effect until the first Business Day following the date on which such Compliance Certificate is delivered and (ii) at the election of the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders, while the Default Rate is in effect, the highest rate set forth in each column of the Applicable Rate shall apply.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this definition, (x) the determination of the Applicable Rate for any period shall be subject to the provisions of Section 2.10(b), and (y) the initial Applicable Rate shall be set forth in Level 1 until the first Business Day immediately following the date a Compliance Certificate is delivered pursuant to Section 6.02(b) for the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2017. Any adjustment in the Applicable Rate shall be applicable to all Credit Extensions then existing or subsequently made or issued.

"<u>Applicable Revolving Percentage</u>" means with respect to any Revolving Lender at any time, such Revolving Lender's Applicable Percentage in respect of the Revolving Facility at such time.

"<u>Appropriate Lender</u>" means, at any time, (a) with respect to the Revolving Facility, a Lender that has a Commitment with respect to the Revolving Facility or holds a Revolving Loan thereunder at such time, (b) with respect to the Letter of Credit Sublimit, (i) the L/C Issuer and (ii) if any Letters of Credit have been issued pursuant to Section 2.03, the Revolving Lenders and (c) with respect to the Swingline Sublimit, (i) the Swingline Lender and (ii) if any Swingline Loans are outstanding pursuant to Section 2.04(a), the Revolving Lenders.

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

"<u>Arranger</u>" means Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated (or any other registered broker-dealer wholly-owned by Bank of America Corporation to which all or substantially all of Bank of America Corporation's or any of its subsidiaries' investment banking, commercial lending services or related businesses may be transferred following the date of this Agreement), in its capacity as sole lead arranger and sole bookrunner.

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

"<u>Attributable Indebtedness</u>" means, on any date, (a) in respect of any Capitalized Lease of any Person, the capitalized amount thereof that would appear on a balance sheet of such Person prepared as of such date in accordance with GAAP, (b) in respect of any Synthetic Lease Obligation, the capitalized amount of the remaining lease or similar payments under the relevant lease or other applicable agreement or instrument that would appear on a balance sheet of such Person prepared as of such date in accordance with GAAP if such lease or other agreement or instrument were accounted for as a Capitalized Lease, (c) all Synthetic Debt of such Person, and (d) in respect of any Sale and Leaseback Transaction, the present value (discounted in accordance with GAAP at the debt rate implied in the applicable lease) of the obligations of the lessee for rental payments during the term of such lease.

"<u>Audited Financial Statements</u>" means the audited Consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, and the related Consolidated statements of income or operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows for such fiscal year of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, including the notes thereto.

"<u>Authorization to Share Insurance Information</u>" means the authorization substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit N</u> (or such other form as required by each of the Loan Party's insurance companies).

"<u>Availability Period</u>" means the period from and including the Closing Date to the earliest of (a) the Maturity Date, (b) the date of termination of the Revolving Commitments pursuant to Section 2.06, and (c) the date of termination of the Commitment of each Revolving Lender to make Revolving Loans and of the obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions pursuant to Section 8.02.

"<u>Bail-In Action</u>" means the exercise of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by the applicable EEA Resolution Authority in respect of any liability of an EEA Financial Institution.

"<u>Bail-In Legislation</u>" means, with respect to any EEA Member Country implementing Article 55 of Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of the European Union, the implementing law for such EEA Member Country from time to time which is described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule.

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

"<u>Base Rate</u>" means for any day a fluctuating rate of interest per annum equal to the highest of (a) the Federal Funds Rate plus 0.50%, (b) the rate of interest in effect for such day as publicly announced from time to time by the Administrative Agent as its "prime rate," and (c) the Eurodollar Rate plus 1.00%, provided that if the Base Rate shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed zero for purposes of this Agreement. The "prime rate" is a rate set by the Administrative Agent's costs and desired return, general economic conditions and other factors, and is used as a reference point for pricing some loans, which may be priced at, above, or below such announced rate. Any change in such prime rate announced by the Administrative Agent shall take effect at the opening of business on the day specified in the public announcement of such change.

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"Base Rate Loan" means a Revolving Loan that bears interest based on the Base Rate.

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

"Borrower Materials" has the meaning specified in Section 6.02.

"Borrowing" means a Revolving Borrowing or a Swingline Borrowing, as the context may require.

"<u>Business Day</u>" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks are authorized to close under the Laws of, or are in fact closed in, the state where the Administrative Agent's Office is located and, if such day relates to any Eurodollar Rate Loan, means any such day that is also a London Banking Day.

"<u>Capital Expenditures</u>" means, with respect to any Person for any period, any expenditure in respect of the purchase or other acquisition of any fixed or capital asset (excluding normal replacements and maintenance which are properly charged to current operations). For purposes of this definition, "<u>Capital Expenditures</u>" shall exclude (a) expenditures made in connection with the acquisition, replacement, substitution or restoration of assets to the extent (i) financed with insurance proceeds (or other similar recoveries) paid on account of the loss of or damage to the assets being replaced or restored, up to the amount so financed, (ii) financed with cash awards of compensation arising from the condemnation or other taking for public us of the assets being replaced, up to the amount so financed or (iii) simultaneously made with the trade-in of existing equipment, up to the credit granted by the seller of such equipment for the equipment being traded in at such time, and (b) expenditures made to fund the purchase price for assets acquired in Permitted Acquisitions.

"Capitalized Leases" means all leases that have been or should be, in accordance with GAAP, recorded as capitalized leases.

"<u>Cash Collateralize</u>" means, to pledge and deposit with or deliver to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender (as applicable) or the Lenders, as collateral for L/C Obligations, the Obligations in respect of Swingline Loans, or obligations of the Revolving Lenders to fund participations in respect of either thereof (as the context may require), (a) cash or deposit account balances, (b) backstop letters of credit entered into on terms, from issuers and in amounts satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the applicable L/C Issuer, and/or (c) if the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender shall agree, in their sole discretion, other credit support, in each case, in Dollars and pursuant to documentation in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender (as applicable). "<u>Cash Collateral</u>" shall have a meaning correlative to the foregoing and shall include the proceeds of such cash collateral and other credit support.

"<u>Cash Equivalents</u>" means any of the following types of Investments, to the extent owned by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries free and clear of all Liens (other than Permitted Liens):

(a) readily marketable obligations issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the United States or any agency or instrumentality thereof having maturities of not more than three hundred sixty days (360) days from the date of acquisition thereof; <u>provided</u> that the full faith and credit of the United States is pledged in support thereof;

(b) time deposits with, or insured certificates of deposit or bankers' acceptances of, any commercial bank that (i) (A) is a Lender or (B) is organized under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia or is the principal banking subsidiary of a bank holding company organized under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia, and is a member of the Federal Reserve System, (ii) issues (or the parent of which issues) commercial paper rated as described in clause (c) of this definition and (iii) has combined capital and surplus of at least \$1,000,000,000, in each case with maturities of not more than one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of acquisition thereof;

(c) commercial paper issued by any Person organized under the laws of any state of the United States and rated at least "Prime-1" (or the then equivalent grade) by Moody's or at least "A-1" (or the then equivalent grade) by S&P, in each case with maturities of not more than one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of acquisition thereof; and

(d) Investments, classified in accordance with GAAP as current assets of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, in money market investment programs registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, which are administered by financial institutions that have the highest rating obtainable from either Moody's or S&P, and the portfolios of which are limited solely to Investments of the character, quality and maturity described in clauses (a), (b) and (c) of this definition.

"<u>Cash Management Agreement</u>" means any agreement that is not prohibited by the terms hereof to provide treasury or cash management services, including deposit accounts, overnight draft, credit cards, debit cards, p-cards (including purchasing cards and commercial cards), funds transfer, automated clearinghouse, zero balance accounts, returned check concentration, controlled disbursement, lockbox, account reconciliation and reporting and trade finance services and other cash management services.

"<u>Cash Management Bank</u>" means any Person in its capacity as a party to a Cash Management Agreement that, (a) at the time it enters into a Cash Management Agreement with a Loan Party or any Subsidiary, is a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender, or (b) at the time it (or its Affiliate) becomes a Lender, is a party to a Cash Management Agreement with a Loan Party or any Subsidiary, in each case in its capacity as a party to such Cash Management Agreement (even if such Person ceases to be a Lender or such Person's Affiliate ceased to be a Lender); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that for any of the foregoing Cash Management Agreements to be included as a "Secured Cash Management Agreement" on any date of determination by the Administrative Agent, the applicable Cash Management Bank (other than the Administrative Agent or an Affiliate of the Administrative Agent) must have delivered a Secured Party Designation Notice to the Administrative Agent prior to such date of determination.

"CERCLA" means the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980.

"<u>CERCLIS</u>" means the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Information System maintained by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

"CFC" means a Person that is a controlled foreign corporation under Section 957 of the Code.

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

"Change of Control" means an event or series of events by which:

(a) any "person" or "group" (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, but excluding any employee benefit plan of such person or its subsidiaries, and any person or entity acting in its capacity as trustee, agent or other fiduciary or administrator of any such plan) becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except that a person or group shall be deemed to have "beneficial ownership" of all securities that such person or group has the right to acquire, whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time (such right, an "option right")), directly or indirectly, of thirty percent (30)% or more of the Equity Interests of the Borrower entitled to vote for members of the board of directors or equivalent governing body of the Borrower on a fully-diluted basis (and taking into account all such securities that such "person" or "group" has the right to acquire pursuant to any option right); or

(b) during any period of twelve (12) consecutive months, a majority of the members of the board of directors or other equivalent governing body of the Borrower cease to be composed of individuals (i) who were members of that board or equivalent governing body on the first day of such period, (ii) whose election or nomination to that board or equivalent governing body was approved by individuals referred to in clause (i) above constituting at the time of such election or nomination at least a majority of that board or equivalent governing body or (iii) whose election or nomination to that board or equivalent governing body was approved by individuals referred to in clause (i) above constituting at the time of such election or nomination at least a majority of that board or equivalent governing body; or

(c) a "change of control" or any comparable term under, and as defined in, any Subordinated Debt Document or other Material Indebtedness shall have occurred.

"Closing Date" means the date hereof.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"<u>Collateral</u>" means all of the "<u>Collateral</u>" and "<u>Mortgaged Property</u>" referred to in the Collateral Documents and all of the other property that is or is intended under the terms of the Collateral Documents to be subject to Liens in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties. For the avoidance of doubt, "<u>Collateral</u>" does not include Excluded Property.

"<u>Collateral Documents</u>" means, collectively, the Security Agreement, any Mortgages, any related Mortgaged Property Support Documents, each Joinder Agreement, each of the other mortgages, collateral assignments, security agreements, pledge agreements or other similar agreements delivered to the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 6.14, and each of the other agreements, instruments or documents that creates or purports to create a Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

"Commitment" means a Revolving Commitment.

"Commodity Exchange Act" means the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.), as amended from time to time, and any successor statute.

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

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

"<u>Consolidated</u>" means, when used with reference to financial statements or financial statement items of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries or any other Person, such statements or items on a consolidated basis in accordance with the consolidation principles of GAAP.

"Consolidated EBITDA" means, for any period, the sum of the following determined on a Consolidated basis, without duplication, for the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP, (a) Consolidated Net Income for the most recently completed Measurement Period plus (b) the following to the extent deducted in calculating such Consolidated Net Income (without duplication): (i) Consolidated Interest Charges, (ii) the provision for federal, state, local and foreign income taxes payable, (iii) depreciation and amortization expense, (iv) non-cash stock-based compensation expense (net of any cash payments related to stock-based compensation), (vi) non-cash charges and losses, including, without limitation, non-cash charges and losses relating to accounts receivable, inventory and intangibles and other asset charges and/or write-offs (but excluding any such non-cash charges or losses to the extent (A) there were cash charges with respect to such charges and losses in past accounting periods or (B) there is a reasonable expectation that there will be cash charges with respect to such charges and losses in future accounting periods), (vii) transaction fees and expenses incurred on or prior to the Closing Date in connection with the transactions contemplated under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents (including fees paid to the Administrative Agent, the Arranger or any Lender pursuant to this Agreement or the Fee Letter) in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$500,000, (viii) transaction fees and expenses incurred in connection with any Permitted Acquisition, provided that the aggregate amount added back pursuant to this clause (viii) for any Measurement Period shall not exceed 10% of Consolidated EBITDA for such Measurement Period (prior to giving effect to the add-back in this clause (viii)), and (ix) transaction fees and expenses incurred in connection with any amendment, modification or waiver in respect of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, less (c) without duplication and to the extent reflected as a gain or otherwise included in the calculation of Consolidated Net Income for such period non-cash gains (excluding any such non-cash gains to the extent (A) there were cash gains with respect to such gains in past accounting periods or (B) there is a reasonable expectation that there will be cash gains with respect to such gains in future accounting periods).

"<u>Consolidated Funded Indebtedness</u>" means, as of any date of determination, for the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis, the sum of (a) the outstanding principal amount of all obligations, whether current or long-term, for borrowed money (including Obligations hereunder) and all obligations evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes, loan agreements or other similar instruments; (b) all purchase money Indebtedness; (c) the maximum amount available to be drawn under issued and outstanding letters of credit (including standby and commercial), bankers' acceptances, bank guaranties, surety bonds and similar instruments; (d) all obligations in respect of the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than trade accounts payable in the ordinary course of business); (e) all Attributable Indebtedness; (f) all obligations to purchase, redeem, retire, defease or otherwise make any payment prior to the Maturity Date in respect of any Equity Interests or any warrant, right or option to acquire such Equity Interest, valued, in the case of a redeemable preferred interest, at the greater of its voluntary or involuntary liquidation preference <u>plus</u> accrued and unpaid dividends; (g) without duplication, all Guarantees with respect to outstanding Indebtedness of the types specified in clauses (a) through (f) above of Persons other than the Borrower or any Subsidiary thereof; and (h) all Indebtedness of the types referred to in clauses (a) through (g) above of any partnership or joint venturer (other than a joint venture that is itself a corporation or limited liability company) in which the Borrower or a Subsidiary thereof is a general partner or joint venturer, unless such Indebtedness is expressly made non-recourse to the Borrower or such Subsidiary.

"<u>Consolidated Interest Charges</u>" means, for any Measurement Period, the sum of (a) all interest, premium payments, debt discount, fees, charges and related expenses in connection with borrowed money (including capitalized interest) or in connection with the deferred purchase price of assets, in each case to the extent treated as interest in accordance with GAAP, and (b) the portion of rent expense under Capitalized Leases that is treated as interest in accordance with GAAP, in each case, of or by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis for the most recently completed Measurement Period.

"<u>Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio</u>" means, as of any date of determination, the ratio of (a) Consolidated EBITDA for the most recently completed Measurement Period to (b) Consolidated Interest Charges for the most recently completed Measurement Period

"<u>Consolidated Leverage Ratio</u>" means, as of any date of determination, the ratio of (a) Consolidated Funded Indebtedness as of such date to (b) Consolidated EBITDA for the most recently completed Measurement Period.

"<u>Consolidated Net Income</u>" means, at any date of determination, the net income (or loss) of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis for the most recently completed Measurement Period; <u>provided</u> that Consolidated Net Income shall exclude (a) extraordinary non-cash gains and extraordinary non-cash losses for such Measurement Period, (b) the net income of any Subsidiary during such Measurement Period to the extent that the declaration or payment of dividends or similar distributions by such Subsidiary during such Measurement Period, except that the Borrower's equity in any net loss of any such Subsidiary for such Measurement Period shall be included in determining Consolidated Net Income, and (c) any income (or loss) for such Measurement Period of any Person if such Person is not a Subsidiary, except that the Borrower's equity in the net income of any such Subsidiary diving such Measurement Period to the Borrower or a Subsidiary as a dividend or other distribution (and in the case of a dividend or other distribution to a Subsidiary, such Subsidiary is not precluded from further distributing such amount to the Borrower as described in clause (b) of this proviso).

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

"<u>Control</u>" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of a Person, whether through the ability to exercise voting power, by contract or otherwise. "<u>Controlling</u>" and "<u>Controlled</u>" have meanings correlative thereto. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, a Person shall be deemed to be Controlled by another Person if such other Person possesses, directly or indirectly, power to vote ten percent (10%) or more of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors, managing general partners or the equivalent.

"<u>Cost of Acquisition</u>" means, with respect to any Acquisition, as at the date of entering into any agreement therefor, the sum of the following (without duplication): (a) the value of the Equity Interests of the Borrower or any Subsidiary to be transferred in connection with such Acquisition, (b) the amount of any cash and fair market value of other property (excluding property described in clause (a) and the unpaid principal amount of any debt instrument) given as consideration in connection with such Acquisition, (c) the amount (determined by using the face amount or the amount payable at maturity, whichever is greater) of any Indebtedness incurred, assumed or acquired by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in connection with such Acquisition, (d) all additional purchase price amounts in the form of earnouts, milestone payments, royalty payments, working capital adjustments and other contingent obligations that should be recorded on the financial statements of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP in connection with such Acquisition, (e) all amounts paid in respect of covenants not to compete and consulting agreements that should be recorded on the financial statements of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP, and other affiliated contracts in connection with such Acquisition, and (f) the aggregate fair market value of all other consideration given by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in connection with such Acquisition. For purposes of determining the Cost of Acquisition for any transaction, the Equity Interests of the Borrower shall be valued in accordance with GAAP.

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

"<u>Debt Issuance</u>" means the issuance by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Indebtedness other than Indebtedness permitted under Section 7.02(a), (b) and Section 7.02(d) - (f).

"<u>Debtor Relief Laws</u>" means the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, and all other liquidation, conservatorship, bankruptcy, assignment for the benefit of creditors, moratorium, rearrangement, receivership, insolvency, reorganization, or similar debtor relief Laws of the United States or other applicable jurisdictions from time to time in effect.

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

"<u>Default Rate</u>" means (a) with respect to any Obligation (other than fees under Secured Cash Management Agreements and Secured Hedge Agreements) for which a rate is specified, a rate per annum equal to two percent (2%) in excess of the rate otherwise applicable thereto and (b) with respect to any Obligation (other than fees under Secured Cash Management Agreements and Secured Hedge Agreements) for which a rate is not specified or available, a rate per annum equal to the Base Rate <u>plus</u> the Applicable Rate for Revolving Loans that are Base Rate Loans plus two percent (2%), in each case, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law.

"Defaulting Lender" means, subject to Section 2.15(b), any Lender that (a) has failed to (i) fund all or any portion of its Loans within two (2) Business Days of the date such Loans were required to be funded hereunder unless such Lender notifies the Administrative Agent and the Borrower in writing that such failure is the result of such Lender's determination that one or more conditions precedent to funding (each of which conditions precedent, together with any applicable default, shall be specifically identified in such writing) has not been satisfied, or (ii) pay to the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, the Swingline Lender or any other Lender any other amount required to be paid by it hereunder (including in respect of its participation in Letters of Credit or Swingline Loans) within two (2) Business Days of the date when due, (b) has notified the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or the Swingline Lender in writing that it does not intend to comply with its funding obligations hereunder, or has made a public statement to that effect (unless such writing or public statement relates to such Lender's obligation to fund a Loan hereunder and states that such position is based on such Lender's determination that a condition precedent to funding (which condition precedent, together with any applicable default, shall be specifically identified in such writing or public statement) cannot be satisfied), (c) has failed, within three (3) Business Days after written request by the Administrative Agent or the Borrower, to confirm in writing to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower that it will comply with its prospective funding obligations hereunder (provided that such Lender shall cease to be a Defaulting Lender pursuant to this clause (c) upon receipt of such written confirmation by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower), or (d) has, or has a direct or indirect parent company that has, (i) become the subject of a proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law, (ii) had appointed for it a receiver, custodian, conservator, trustee, administrator, assignee for the benefit of creditors or similar Person charged with reorganization or liquidation of its business or assets, including the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other state or federal regulatory authority acting in such a capacity or (iii) become the subject of a Bail-In Action; provided that a Lender shall not be a Defaulting Lender solely by virtue of the ownership or acquisition of any Equity Interest in that Lender or any direct or indirect parent company thereof by a Governmental Authority so long as such ownership interest does not result in or provide such Lender with immunity from the jurisdiction of courts within the United States or from the enforcement of judgments or writs of attachment on its assets or permit such Lender (or such Governmental Authority) to reject, repudiate, disavow or disaffirm any contracts or agreements made with such Lender. Any determination by the Administrative Agent that a Lender is a Defaulting Lender under any one or more of clauses (a) through (d) above, and the effective date of such status, shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error, and such Lender shall be deemed to be a Defaulting Lender (subject to Section 2.15(b)) as of the date established therefor by the Administrative Agent in a written notice of such determination, which shall be delivered by the Administrative Agent to the Borrower, the L/C Issuer, the Swingline Lender and each other Lender promptly following such determination.

"Designated Jurisdiction" means any country or territory to the extent that such country or territory is the subject of any Sanction.

"<u>Disposition</u>" or "<u>Dispose</u>" means the sale, transfer, license, lease or other disposition (including any Sale and Leaseback Transaction) of any property by any Loan Party or Subsidiary thereof (or the granting of any option or other right to do any of the foregoing), including any sale, assignment, transfer or other disposal, with or without recourse, of any notes or accounts receivable or any rights and claims associated therewith, but excluding any Involuntary Disposition.

"Disqualified Stock" shall mean, with respect to any Person, any Equity Interests of such Person that, by its terms (or by the terms of any security or other Equity Interest into which it is convertible or for which it is exchangeable) or upon the happening of any event or condition or pursuant to any agreement, (a) matures or is mandatorily redeemable (other than solely for Qualified Stock), pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise (except as a result of a Change of Control or asset sale so long as any rights of the holders thereof upon the occurrence of a Change of Control or asset sale event shall be subject to the prior occurrence of the Facility Termination Date), (b) is redeemable at the option of the holder thereof (other than solely for Qualified Stock) (except as a result of a Change of Control or asset sale so long as any rights of the holders thereof upon the occurrence of a Change of Control or asset sale so long as any rights of the holders thereof upon the occurrence of a Change of Control or asset sale so long as any rights of the holders thereof upon the occurrence of a Change of Control or asset sale so long as any rights of the holders thereof upon the occurrence of a Change of Control or asset sale event shall be subject to the prior occurrence of the Facility Termination Date), in whole or in part, (c) provides for the scheduled payments of dividends in cash or (d) is or may be convertible into or exchangeable for Indebtedness or any other Equity Interest that would constitute Disqualified Stock, in each case, prior to the date that is ninety-one (91) days after the Maturity Date; provided, that Equity Interests issued pursuant to a plan for the benefit of directors, officers, employees and consultants of Borrower or its Subsidiaries or by any such plan to such employees shall not constitute Disqualified Stock solely because it may be required to be repurchased by Borrower or its Subsidiaries in order to satisfy applicable statutory or regulatory obligations.

"Dollar" and "<u>\$</u>" mean lawful money of the United States.

"Domestic Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary that is organized under the laws of any political subdivision of the United States.

"Eligible Assignee" means any Person that meets the requirements to be an assignee under Section 11.06 (subject to such consents, if any, as may be required under Section 11.06(b)(iii)).

"<u>EEA Financial Institution</u>" means (a) any credit institution or investment firm established in any EEA Member Country which is subject to the supervision of an EEA Resolution Authority, (b) any entity established in an EEA Member Country which is a parent of an institution described in clause (a) of this definition, or (c) any financial institution established in an EEA Member Country which is a Subsidiary of an institution described in clauses (a) or (b) of this definition and is subject to consolidated supervision with its parent.

"EEA Member Country" means any of the member states of the European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway.

"<u>EEA Resolution Authority</u>" means any public administrative authority or any Person entrusted with public administrative authority of any EEA Member Country (including any delegee) having responsibility for the resolution of any EEA Financial Institution.

"<u>Environmental Laws</u>" means any and all federal, state, local, and foreign statutes, laws, regulations, ordinances, rules, judgments, orders, decrees, permits, concessions, grants, franchises, licenses, agreements or governmental restrictions relating to pollution and the protection of the environment or the release of any materials into the environment, including those related to hazardous substances or wastes, air emissions and discharges to waste or public systems.

"<u>Environmental Liability</u>" means any liability, contingent or otherwise (including any liability for damages, costs of environmental remediation, fines, penalties or indemnities), of the Borrower, any other Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries directly or indirectly resulting from or based upon (a) violation of any Environmental Law, (b) the generation, use, handling, transportation, storage, treatment or disposal of any Hazardous Materials, (c) exposure to any Hazardous Materials, (d) the release or threatened release of any Hazardous Materials into the environment or (e) any contract, agreement or other consensual arrangement pursuant to which liability is assumed or imposed with respect to any of the foregoing.

"Environmental Permit" means any permit, approval, identification number, license or other authorization required under any Environmental Law.

"<u>Equity Interests</u>" means, with respect to any Person, all of the shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person, all of the warrants, options or other rights for the purchase or acquisition from such Person of shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person or warrants, rights or options for the purchase or acquisition from such Person of such shares (or such other interests), and all of the other ownership or profit interests in such Person (including partnership, member or trust interests therein), whether voting or nonvoting, and whether or not such shares, warrants, options, rights or other interests are outstanding on any date of determination.

"<u>Equity Issuance</u>" means, any issuance by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof to any Person of its Equity Interests, other than (a) any issuance of its Equity Interests pursuant to the exercise of options or warrants, (b) any issuance of its Equity Interests pursuant to the conversion of any debt securities to equity or the conversion of any class of equity securities to any other class of equity securities, (c) any issuance of options or warrants relating to its Equity Interests, and (d) any issuance by the Borrower of its Equity Interests as consideration for a Permitted Acquisition. The term "Equity Issuance" shall not be deemed to include any Disposition or any Debt Issuance.

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

"<u>ERISA Affiliate</u>" means any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) under common control with the Borrower within the meaning of Section 414(b) or (c) of the Code (and Sections 414(m) and (o) of the Code for purposes of provisions relating to Section 412 of the Code).

"ERISA Event" means (a) a Reportable Event with respect to a Pension Plan; (b) the withdrawal of the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate from a Pension Plan subject to Section 4063 of ERISA during a plan year in which such entity was a "substantial employer" as defined in Section 4001(a)(2) of ERISA or a cessation of operations that is treated as such a withdrawal under Section 4062(e) of ERISA; (c) a complete or partial withdrawal by the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate from a Multiemployer Plan or notification that a Multiemployer Plan is in reorganization; (d) the filing of a notice of intent to terminate, the treatment of a Pension Plan amendment as a termination under Section 4041 or 4041A of ERISA; (e) the institution by the PBGC of proceedings to terminate a Pension Plan; (f) any event or condition which constitutes grounds under Section 4042 of ERISA for the termination of, or the appointment of a trustee to administer, any Pension Plan; (g) the determination that any Pension Plan is considered an at-risk plan or a plan in endangered or critical status within the meaning of Sections 430, 431 and 432 of the Code or Sections 303, 304 and 305 of ERISA; (h) the imposition of any liability under Title IV of ERISA, other than for PBGC premiums due but not delinquent under Section 4007 of ERISA, upon the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate to meet all applicable requirements under the Pension Funding Rules in respect of a Pension Plan, whether or not waived, or the failure by the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate to make any required contribution to a Multiemployer Plan.

"<u>EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule</u>" means the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule published by the Loan Market Association (or any successor person), as in effect from time to time.

"Eurodollar Rate" means:

(a) for any Interest Period with respect to a Eurodollar Rate Loan, the rate per annum equal to the London Interbank Offered Rate ("<u>LIBOR</u>"), or a comparable or successor rate which rate is approved by the Administrative Agent, as published on the applicable Bloomberg screen page (or such other commercially available source providing such quotations as may be designated by the Administrative Agent from time to time) (in such case, the "<u>LIBOR Rate</u>") at or about 11:00 a.m., London time, two (2) Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period, for Dollar deposits (for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period) with a term equivalent to such Interest Period; and

(b) for any interest calculation with respect to a Base Rate Loan on any date, the rate per annum equal to the LIBOR Rate, at or about 11:00 a.m., London time, two (2) Business Days prior to such date for Dollar deposits with a term of one (1) month commencing that day;

provided that: (i) to the extent a comparable or successor rate is approved by the Administrative Agent in connection herewith, the approved rate shall be applied in a manner consistent with market practice; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u> that to the extent such market practice is not administratively feasible for the Administrative Agent, such approved rate shall be applied in a manner as otherwise reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent and (ii) if the Eurodollar Rate shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed zero for purposes of this Agreement.

"Eurodollar Rate Loan" means a Revolving Loan that bears interest at a rate based on clause (a) of the definition of "Eurodollar Rate".

"Event of Default" has the meaning specified in Section 8.01.

"Excluded Property" has the meaning set forth in the Security Agreement.

"Excluded Swap Obligation" means, with respect to any Loan Party, any Swap Obligation if, and to the extent that, all or a portion of the Guaranty of such Loan Party of, or the grant by such Loan Party of a Lien to secure, such Swap Obligation (or any Guarantee thereof) is or becomes illegal under the Commodity Exchange Act or any rule, regulation or order of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (or the application or official interpretation thereof) by virtue of such Loan Party's failure for any reason to constitute an "eligible contract participant" as defined in the Commodity Exchange Act (determined after giving effect to Section 10.11 and any other "keepwell, support or other agreement for the benefit of such Loan Party and any and all guarantees of such Loan Party's Swap Obligations by other Loan Parties) at the time the Guaranty of such Loan Party, or grant by such Loan Party of a Lien, becomes effective with respect to such Swap Obligation. If a Swap Obligation arises under a Master Agreement governing more than one Swap Contract, such exclusion shall apply only to the portion of such Swap Obligation that is attributable to Swap Contracts for which such Guaranty or Lien is or becomes excluded in accordance with the first sentence of this definition.

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

"<u>Facility Termination Date</u>" means the date as of which all of the following shall have occurred: (a) the Aggregate Commitments have terminated, (b) all Obligations have been paid in full (other than contingent indemnification obligations), and (c) all Letters of Credit have terminated or expired (other than Letters of Credit that have been Cash Collateralized or as to which other arrangements with respect thereto satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer shall have been made).

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

"<u>FATCA</u>" means Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code, as of the date of this Agreement (or any amended or successor version that is substantively comparable and not materially more onerous to comply with), any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof and any agreements entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b)(1) of the Code and any intergovernmental agreements implementing the foregoing.

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

"Fee Letter" means the letter agreement, dated the Closing Date, between the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the Arranger.

"FIRREA" means the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989, as amended.

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

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

"FRB" means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the United States.

"Flood Hazard Property" means any Mortgaged Property that is in an area designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency as having special flood or mudslide hazards.

"<u>Fronting Exposure</u>" means, at any time there is a Defaulting Lender that is a Revolving Lender, (a) with respect to the L/C Issuer, such Defaulting Lender's Applicable Percentage of the outstanding L/C Obligations other than L/C Obligations as to which such Defaulting Lender's participation obligation has been reallocated to other Revolving Lenders or Cash Collateralized in accordance with the terms hereof, and (b) with respect to the Swingline Lender, such Defaulting Lender's Applicable Percentage of Swingline Loans other than Swingline Loans as to which such Defaulting Lender's participation obligation has been reallocated to other Revolving Lenders or Cash Collateralized in accordance with the terms hereof.

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

"<u>GAAP</u>" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States set forth from time to time in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (or agencies with similar functions of comparable stature and authority within the accounting profession) including, without limitation, the FASB Accounting Standards Codification, that are applicable to the circumstances as of the date of determination, consistently applied and subject to Section 1.03.

"<u>Governmental Authority</u>" means the government of the United States or any other nation, or of any political subdivision thereof, whether state or local, and any agency, authority, instrumentality, regulatory body, court, central bank or other entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, taxing, regulatory or administrative powers or functions of or pertaining to government (including, without limitation, the Financial Conduct Authority, the Prudential Regulation Authority and any supra-national bodies such as the European Union or the European Central Bank).

"<u>Guarantee</u>" means, as to any Person, (a) any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of such Person guaranteeing or having the economic effect of guaranteeing any Indebtedness of the kind described in clauses (a) through (g) of the definition thereof or other obligation payable or performable by another Person (the "<u>primary obligor</u>") in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, and including any obligation of such Person, direct or indirect, (i) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness or other obligation, (ii) to purchase or lease property, securities or services for the purpose of assuring the obligee in respect of such Indebtedness or other obligation, or liquidity or level of income or cash flow of the primary obligor so as to enable the primary obligor to pay such Indebtedness or other obligation, or (iv) entered into for the purpose of assuring in any other manner the obligee in respect of such Indebtedness or other obligation, or (iv) entered into for the purpose of assuring in any other manner the obligee in respect of such Indebtedness or other obligation of the payment or performance thereof or to protect such obligee against loss in respect thereof (in whole or in part), or (b) any Lien on any assets of such Person securing any Indebtedness or other obligation is assumed or expressly undertaken by such Person (or any right, contingent or otherwise, of any holder of such Indebtedness to obtain any such Lien). The amount of any Guarantee is made or, if not stated or determinable amount of the related primary obligation, or portion thereof, in respect of which such Guarantee is made or, if not stated or determinable, the maximum reasonably anticipated liability in respect thereof as determined by the guaranteeing Person in good faith. The term "<u>Guarantee</u>" as a verb has a corresponding meaning.

"Guaranteed Obligations" has the meaning set forth in Section 10.01.

"<u>Guarantors</u>" means, collectively, (a) the Subsidiary Guarantors, and (b) with respect to Additional Secured Obligations owing by any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries and any Swap Obligation of a Specified Loan Party (determined before giving effect to Sections 10.01 and 10.11) under the Guaranty, the Borrower.

"<u>Guaranty</u>" means, collectively, the Guarantee made by the Guarantors under Article X in favor of the Secured Parties, together with each other guaranty delivered pursuant to Section 6.13.

"<u>Hazardous Materials</u>" means all explosive or radioactive substances or wastes and all hazardous or toxic substances, wastes or other pollutants, including petroleum or petroleum distillates, natural gas, natural gas liquids, asbestos or asbestos-containing materials, polychlorinated biphenyls, radon gas, toxic mold, infectious or medical wastes and all other substances, wastes, chemicals, pollutants, contaminants or compounds of any nature in any form regulated pursuant to any Environmental Law.

"<u>Hedge Bank</u>" means any Person in its capacity as a party to a Swap Contract that, (a) at the time it enters into a Swap Contract not prohibited under Article VI or VII, is a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender, or (b) at the time it (or its Affiliate) becomes a Lender, is a party to a Swap Contract not prohibited under Article VI or VII, in each case, in its capacity as a party to such Swap Contract (even if such Person ceases to be a Lender or such Person's Affiliate ceased to be a Lender); <u>provided</u>, in the case of a Secured Hedge Agreement with a Person who is no longer a Lender (or Affiliate of a Lender), such Person shall be considered a Hedge Bank only through the stated termination date (without extension or renewal) of such Secured Hedge Agreement and provided further that for any of the foregoing Secured Hedge Agreements to be included as a "Secured Hedge Agreement" on any date of determination by the Administrative Agent, the applicable Hedge Bank (other than the Administrative Agent or an Affiliate of the Administrative Agent) must have delivered a Secured Party Designation Notice to the Administrative Agent prior to such date of determination.

"<u>Honor Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.03(c).

"Increasing Revolving Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 2.16(a).

"Incremental Revolving Facility" has the meaning specified in Section 2.16(a).

"<u>Indebtedness</u>" means, as to any Person at a particular time, without duplication, all of the following, whether or not included as indebtedness or liabilities in accordance with GAAP:

(a) all obligations of such Person for borrowed money and all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes, loan agreements or other similar instruments;

(b) the maximum amount of all direct or contingent obligations of such Person arising under letters of credit (including standby and commercial), bankers' acceptances, bank guaranties, surety bonds and similar instruments;

(c) net obligations of such Person under any Swap Contract;

(d) all obligations (including, without limitation, earnouts, milestone payments, royalty payments, working capital adjustments and other contingent payment obligations) of such Person to pay the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than trade accounts payable in the ordinary course of business and not past due for more than ninety (90) days after the date on which such trade account was created);

(e) indebtedness (excluding prepaid interest thereon) secured by a Lien on property owned or being purchased by such Person (including indebtedness arising under conditional sales or other title retention agreements), whether or not such indebtedness shall have been assumed by such Person or is limited in recourse;

(f) all Attributable Indebtedness in respect of Capitalized Leases and Synthetic Lease Obligations of such Person and all Synthetic Debt of such Person;

(g) all obligations of such Person to purchase, redeem, retire, defease or otherwise make any payment in respect of any Equity Interest in such Person or any other Person or any warrant, right or option to acquire such Equity Interest, valued, in the case of a redeemable preferred interest, at the greater of its voluntary or involuntary liquidation preference plus accrued and unpaid dividends; and

(h) all Guarantees of such Person in respect of any of the foregoing.

For all purposes hereof, the Indebtedness of any Person shall include the Indebtedness of any partnership or joint venture (other than a joint venture that is itself a corporation or limited liability company) in which such Person is a general partner or a joint venturer, unless such Indebtedness is expressly made non-recourse to such Person. The amount of any net obligation under any Swap Contract on any date shall be deemed to be the Swap Termination Value thereof as of such date.

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

"Indemnitees" has the meaning specified in Section 11.04(b).

"Information" has the meaning specified in Section 11.07.

"Intellectual Property" has the meaning set forth in the Security Agreement.

"Intercompany Debt" has the meaning specified in Section 7.02.

"Interest Payment Date" means, (a) as to any Eurodollar Rate Loan, the last day of each Interest Period applicable to such Loan and the Maturity Date; provided, however, that if any Interest Period for a Eurodollar Rate Loan exceeds three (3) months, the respective dates that fall every three (3) months after the beginning of such Interest Period shall also be Interest Payment Dates; and (b) as to any Base Rate Loan or Swingline Loan, the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December and the Maturity Date.

"<u>Interest Period</u>" means, as to each Eurodollar Rate Loan, the period commencing on the date such Eurodollar Rate Loan is disbursed or converted to or continued as a Eurodollar Rate Loan and ending on the date one (1), two (2), three (3) or six (6) months thereafter (in each case, subject to availability), as selected by the Borrower in its Loan Notice, or such other period that is twelve (12) months or less requested by the Borrower and consented to by all of the Appropriate Lenders; provided that:

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

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

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

"Investment" means, as to any Person, any direct or indirect acquisition or investment by such Person, whether by means of (a) the purchase or other acquisition of Equity Interests of another Person, (b) a loan, advance or capital contribution to, Guarantee or assumption of debt of, or purchase or other acquisition of any other debt or interest in, another Person (including any partnership or joint venture interest in such other Person and any arrangement pursuant to which the investor guarantees Indebtedness of such other Person), or (c) the purchase or other acquisition (in one transaction or a series of transactions) of assets of another Person which constitute all or substantially all of the assets of such Person or of a division, line of business or other business unit of such Person. For purposes of covenant compliance, the amount of any Investment shall be the amount actually invested, without adjustment for subsequent increases or decreases in the value of such Investment.

"<u>Investment Policy</u>" means the Investment Policy of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, dated August 30, 2016, as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified as of the date hereof, with further changes as approved by the Borrower with the consent of the Administrative Agent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

"<u>Involuntary Disposition</u>" means any loss of, damage to or destruction of, or any condemnation or other taking for public use of, any property of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof.

"IRS" means the United States Internal Revenue Service.

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

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

"Joinder Agreement" means a joinder agreement substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit D</u> executed and delivered in accordance with the provisions of Section 6.13.

"Landlord Waiver" means a landlord or warehouse waiver substantially in the form of Exhibit M.

"<u>Laws</u>" means, collectively, all international, foreign, federal, state and local statutes, treaties, rules, guidelines, regulations, ordinances, codes and administrative or judicial precedents or authorities, including the interpretation or administration thereof by any Governmental Authority charged with the enforcement, interpretation or administration thereof, and all applicable administrative orders, directed duties, requests, licenses, authorizations and permits of, and agreements with, any Governmental Authority, in each case whether or not having the force of law.

"L/C Advance" means, with respect to each Revolving Lender, such Lender's funding of its participation in any L/C Borrowing in accordance with its Applicable Revolving Percentage.

"<u>L/C Borrowing</u>" means an extension of credit resulting from a drawing under any Letter of Credit which has not been reimbursed on the date when made or refinanced as a Revolving Borrowing.

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

"<u>L/C Issuer</u>" means Bank of America, through itself or through one of its designated Affiliates or branch offices, in its capacity as issuer of Letters of Credit hereunder, or any successor issuer of Letters of Credit hereunder.

"L/C Obligations" means, as at any date of determination, the aggregate amount available to be drawn under all outstanding Letters of Credit plus the aggregate of all Unreimbursed Amounts (including all L/C Borrowings). For purposes of computing the amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.06. For all purposes of this Agreement, if on any date of determination a Letter of Credit has expired by its terms but any amount may still be drawn thereunder by reason of the operation of Rule 3.14 of the ISP, such Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be "outstanding" in the amount so remaining available to be drawn.

"<u>Lender</u>" means each of the Persons identified as a "Lender" on the signature pages hereto, each other Person that becomes a "Lender" in accordance with this Agreement and, their successors and assigns and, unless the context requires otherwise, includes the Swingline Lender.

"<u>Lending Office</u>" means, as to the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or any Lender, the office or offices of such Person described as such in such Person's Administrative Questionnaire, or such other office or offices as such Person may from time to time notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent; which office may include any Affiliate of such Person or any domestic or foreign branch of such Person or such Affiliate.

"Letter of Credit" means any standby letter of credit issued hereunder.

"Letter of Credit Application" means an application and agreement for the issuance or amendment of a Letter of Credit in the form from time to time in use by the L/C Issuer.

"Letter of Credit Expiration Date" means the day that is seven (7) days prior to the Maturity Date (or, if such day is not a Business Day, the next preceding Business Day).

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

"Letter of Credit Sublimit" means an amount equal to the lesser of (a) \$10,000,000 and (b) the Revolving Facility. The Letter of Credit Sublimit is part of, and not in addition to, the Revolving Facility.

"LIBOR" has the meaning specified in the definition of Eurodollar Rate.

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

"Loan" means an extension of credit by a Lender to the Borrower under Article II in the form of a Revolving Loan or a Swingline Loan.

"Loan Documents" means, collectively, (a) this Agreement, (b) the Notes, (c) the Guaranty, (d) the Collateral Documents, (e) the Fee Letter, (f) each Issuer Document, (g) each Joinder Agreement, (h) any agreement creating or perfecting rights in Cash Collateral pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.14, (i) each Compliance Certificate, and (j) any other certificates, agreements, documents and instruments now or hereafter executed, acknowledged and/or delivered by or on behalf of any Loan Party pursuant to the foregoing (but specifically excluding any Secured Hedge Agreement or any Secured Cash Management Agreement); <u>provided</u>, however, that for purposes of Section 11.01, "Loan Documents" shall mean this Agreement, the Guaranty and the Collateral Documents.

"Loan Notice" means a notice of (a) a Borrowing, (b) a conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, or (c) a continuation of Eurodollar Rate Loans, pursuant to Section 2.02(a), which shall be substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit E</u> or such other form as may be approved by the Administrative Agent (including any form on an electronic platform or electronic transmission system as shall be approved by the Administrative Agent), appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower.

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

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

"<u>Massachusetts Security Corporation</u>" means a Person that qualifies as a Massachusetts "security corporation" under Mass. Gen. L. c. 63, §38B, but only to the extent, and during the time period, it so qualifies. As of the Closing Date, Anika Securities, Inc. is a Massachusetts Security Corporation.

"Master Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the definition of "Swap Contract."

"<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>" means (a) a material adverse change in, or a material adverse effect upon, the operations, business, assets, properties, liabilities (actual or contingent) or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries taken as a whole; (b) a material impairment of the rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent or any Lender under any Loan Document, or of the ability of the Loan Parties, taken as a whole, to perform its obligations under any Loan Document to which it is a party; or (c) a material adverse effect upon the legality, validity, binding effect or enforceability against any Loan Party of any Loan Document to which it is a party.

"<u>Material Contract</u>" means, with respect to any Person, each contract or agreement of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as to which the breach, nonperformance, cancellation or failure to renew by any party thereto, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. As of the Closing Date, all Material Contracts are set forth on <u>Schedule 1.01(d)</u>.

"Material Indebtedness" means any Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount in excess of the Threshold Amount.

"<u>Material Intellectual Property</u>" means, as of any date of determination, Intellectual Property of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries that as of such date is considered to have a material financial value to the operation or business of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries as conducted as of the date of determination, taken as a whole; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that any Intellectual Property that would otherwise be considered Material Intellectual Property, which is developed or acquired by the Borrower or its Subsidiaries after the Closing Date, shall be considered to be Material Intellectual Property as of the date of determination described above.

"<u>Maturity Date</u>" means October 24, 2022; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that, in each case, if such date is not a Business Day, the Maturity Date shall be the next preceding Business Day.

"<u>Measurement Period</u>" means, at any date of determination, the most recently completed four (4) fiscal quarters of the Borrower (or, for purposes of determining Pro Forma Compliance, the most recently completed four (4) fiscal quarters of the Borrower for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to Section 6.01).

"<u>Medicaid</u>" means that government-sponsored entitlement program under Title XIX, P.L. 89-97 of the Social Security Act, which provides federal grants to states for medical assistance based on specific eligibility criteria, as set forth on Section 1396, et seq. of Title 42 of the United States Code.

"<u>Medicare</u>" means that government-sponsored insurance program under Title XVIII, P.L. 89-97, of the Social Security Act, which provides for a health insurance system for eligible elderly and disabled individuals, as set forth at Section 1395, et seq. of Title 42 of the United States Code.

"<u>Minimum Collateral Amount</u>" means, at any time, (a) with respect to Cash Collateral consisting of cash or deposit account balances provided to reduce or eliminate Fronting Exposure during any period when a Lender constitutes a Defaulting Lender, an amount equal to 100% of the Fronting Exposure of the L/C Issuer with respect to Letters of Credit issued and outstanding at such time, (b) with respect to Cash Collateral consisting of cash or deposit account balances provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.14(a)(i), (a)(ii) or (a)(iii), an amount equal to 103% of the Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations, and (c) otherwise, an amount determined by the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer in their sole discretion.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and any successor thereto.

"<u>Mortgage</u>" or "<u>Mortgages</u>" means, individually and collectively, as the context requires, each of the fee mortgages, deeds of trust and deeds executed by a Loan Party that purport to grant a Lien to the Administrative Agent (or a trustee for the benefit of the Administrative Agent) for the benefit of the Secured Parties in any Mortgaged Properties, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

"<u>Mortgaged Property</u>" means any owned property of a Loan Party listed on <u>Schedule 5.21(g)(i)</u> and any other owned real property of a Loan Party that is subject to a Mortgage in favor of the Administrative Agent in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

"Mortgaged Property Support Documents" means with respect to any owned real property subject to a Mortgage, the following, each of which shall be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent: (a) to the extent requested by the Administrative Agent, a favorable opinion of counsel to the Loan Parties covering such matters as to the applicable Mortgage as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request, (b) a mortgagee title policy (or binder therefor) covering the Administrative Agent's interest under the Mortgage, in a form and amount and by an insurer reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, which must be fully paid on such effective date of the Mortgage, (c) such assignments of leases, rents, estoppel letters, attornment agreements, consents, waivers and releases as the Administrative Agent may require with respect to other Persons having an interest in the real property, (d) to the extent requested by the Administrative Agent, a current, as-built survey of the real property, containing a metes and bounds property description and flood plain certification, and certified by a licensed surveyor reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, (e) to the extent requested by the Administrative Agent, a current appraisal of the Real Estate of such real property complying with the requirements of FIRREA by a third party appraiser reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, (f) to the extent requested by the Administrative Agent, a Phase I (and to the extent appropriate, Phase II) environmental assessment report, prepared by an environmental consulting firm reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, and accompanied by such reports, certificates, studies or data as Administrative Agent may reasonably require, (g) the results of title searches, (h) (x) completed "Life-of-Loan" Federal Emergency Management Agency Standard Flood Hazard Determination with respect to each Mortgaged Property (together with a notice about special flood hazard area status and flood disaster assistance duly executed by each Loan Party relating thereto and (y) flood insurance in an amount, with endorsements and by an insurer reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, if the real property is within a flood zone; and (i) such other documents, instruments, reports, surveys and information as may be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion, including, without limitation, such as may be necessary to comply with FIRREA.

"<u>Multiemployer Plan</u>" means any employee benefit plan of the type described in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA, to which the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate makes or is obligated to make contributions, or during the preceding five (5) plan years, has made or been obligated to make contributions.

"<u>Multiple Employer Plan</u>" means any employee benefit plan which has two or more contributing sponsors (including the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate) at least two of whom are not under common control, as such a plan is described in Section 4064 of ERISA.

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

"<u>Non-Core Assets</u>" means any line or lines of business, or assets relating thereto, set forth on <u>Schedule 1.01(e)</u> (it being understood and agreed that such <u>Schedule 1.01(e)</u> may be updated from time to time upon request of the Borrower or the Administrative Agent (upon the mutual good faith agreement of the Borrower and the Administrative Agent and without any further consent or approval of any Lender other Person) to include therein any line or lines of business, or assets relating thereto, that are immaterial to the business operations of the Loan Parties or to remove therefrom any such line or lines of business, and assets relating thereto, that are material to the business operations of the Loan Parties, as applicable).

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

"<u>Non-Extension Notice Date</u>" has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(b)(iv).

"Note" means a Revolving Note, as the context may require.

"<u>Notice of Loan Prepayment</u>" means a notice of prepayment with respect to a Loan, which shall be substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit O</u> or such other form as may be approved by the Administrative Agent (including any form on an electronic platform or electronic transmission system as shall be approved by the Administrative Agent), appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer.

"NPL" means the National Priorities List under CERCLA.

"<u>Obligations</u>" means (a) all advances to, and debts, liabilities, obligations, covenants and duties of, any Loan Party arising under any Loan Document or otherwise with respect to any Loan, or Letter of Credit and (b) to the extent provided for in this Agreement and the Loan Documents, all out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred in connection with enforcement and collection of the foregoing, including the fees, charges and disbursements of outside counsel, in each case whether direct or indirect (including those acquired by assumption), absolute or contingent, due or to become due, now existing or hereafter arising and including interest, expenses and fees that accrue after the commencement by or against any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof pursuant to any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Laws naming such Person as the debtor in such proceeding, regardless of whether such interest, expenses and fees are allowed claims in such proceeding; provided that Obligations of a Loan Party shall exclude any Excluded Swap Obligations with respect to such Loan Party.

"OFAC" means the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the United States Department of the Treasury.

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

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

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

"<u>Outstanding Amount</u>" means (a) Revolving Loans and Swingline Loans on any date, the aggregate outstanding principal amount thereof after giving effect to any borrowings and prepayments or repayments of Revolving Loans and Swingline Loans, as the case may be, occurring on such date; and (b) with respect to any L/C Obligations on any date, the aggregate outstanding amount of such L/C Obligations on such date after giving effect to any L/C Credit Extension occurring on such date and any other changes in the aggregate amount of the L/C Obligations as of such date, including as a result of any reimbursements by the Borrower of Unreimbursed Amounts.

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

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

"PBGC" means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

"<u>Pension Act</u>" means the Pension Protection Act of 2006.

"<u>Pension Funding Rules</u>" means the rules of the Code and ERISA regarding minimum required contributions (including any installment payment thereof) to Pension Plans and set forth in, with respect to plan years ending prior to the effective date of the Pension Act, Section 412 of the Code and Section 302 of ERISA, each as in effect prior to the Pension Act and, thereafter, Section 412, 430, 431, 432 and 436 of the Code and Sections 302, 303, 304 and 305 of ERISA.

"<u>Pension Plan</u>" means any employee pension benefit plan (including a Multiple Employer Plan or a Multiemployer Plan) that is maintained or is contributed to by the Borrower and any ERISA Affiliate and is either covered by Title IV of ERISA or is subject to the minimum funding standards under Section 412 of the Code.

"<u>Perfection Certificate</u>" means a Perfection and Information Certificate, dated as of the Closing Date, executed by the Borrower and the other Loan Parties, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

"<u>Permitted Acquisition</u>" means an Acquisition by a Loan Party (the Person or division, line of business or other business unit of the Person to be acquired in such Acquisition shall be referred to herein as the "Target"), in each case that is a type of business (or assets used in a type of business) permitted to be engaged in by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, in each case so long as:

(a) no Default or Event of Default shall then exist or would exist after giving effect thereto;

(b) the Loan Parties shall demonstrate to the reasonable satisfaction of the Administrative Agent that, after giving effect to such Acquisition on a Pro Forma Basis, the Loan Parties are in Pro Forma Compliance, including, without limitation, with each financial covenant set forth in Section 7.11; provided, however, that the Consolidated Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis shall not exceed 2.50 to 1.00;

(c) the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties, shall have received (or shall receive in connection with the closing of such Acquisition) a first priority perfected security interest (subject to Permitted Liens) in all property (including, without limitation, Equity Interests) acquired with respect to the Target to the extent required by the terms of Section 6.14 and the Target, to the extent such Acquisition results in a Loan Party acquiring the Equity Interests of the Target or any other Person, shall have executed a Joinder Agreement to the extent required by the terms of Section 6.13;

(d) in the case of any Acquisition (i) for which the Cost of Acquisition paid by or on behalf of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries exceeds \$30,000,000 or (ii) which on a Pro Forma Basis results in a decrease in the Consolidated EBITDA in excess of ten percent (10%) of the Consolidated EBITDA calculated in the Compliance Certificate most recently delivered to the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 6.02, the Administrative Agent shall have received not less than ten (10) days, or such shorter period as may be approved by the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion, prior to the consummation of any such Acquisition a description of any proposed earn-outs, milestone payments, royalty payments, working capital adjustments and other similar payments or other deferred or contingent liabilities to be incurred by (including any such liabilities of the Target to be assumed by) the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in connection with such Acquisition shall be reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, and (ii) historical financial statements relating to the business of the Target and financial projections relating to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries after giving effect to such Acquisition as reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent;

(e) prior to the consummation of any Permitted Acquisition (or simultaneously in connection therewith), a Permitted Acquisition Certificate, executed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower certifying that such Permitted Acquisition complies with the requirements of this Agreement;

(f) [reserved];

(g) such Acquisition shall not be a "hostile" Acquisition and shall have been approved by the board of directors (or equivalent) and/or shareholders (or equivalent) of the applicable Loan Party and the Target; and

(h) the Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall have received such other information (including, without limitation, drafts of any acquisition documents) related to such Acquisition as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request.

"<u>Permitted Acquisition Certificate</u>" means a certificate substantially the form of <u>Exhibit F</u> or any other form reasonably approved by the Administrative Agent.

"<u>Permitted Liens</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.01.

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

"<u>Plan</u>" means any employee benefit plan within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA (including a Pension Plan), maintained for employees of the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate or any such Plan to which the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate is required to contribute on behalf of any of its employees.

"Platform" has the meaning specified in Section 6.02.

"Pledged Equity" has the meaning specified in the Security Agreement.

"<u>Pro Forma Basis</u>" and "<u>Pro Forma Effect</u>" means, for any Disposition of all or substantially all of a division or a line of business, for any Acquisition or any other transaction specified herein, whether actual or proposed, for purposes of determining compliance with the financial covenants set forth in Section 7.11, each such transaction or proposed transaction shall be deemed to have occurred on and as of the first day of the relevant Measurement Period, and the following pro forma adjustments shall be made:

(a) in the case of an actual or proposed Disposition, all income statement items (whether positive or negative) attributable to the line of business or the Person subject to such Disposition shall be excluded from the results of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such Measurement Period;

(b) in the case of an actual or proposed Acquisition, income statement items (whether positive or negative) attributable to the property, line of business or the Person subject to such Acquisition shall be included in the results of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such Measurement Period;

(c) interest accrued during the relevant Measurement Period on, and the principal of, any Indebtedness repaid or to be repaid or refinanced in such transaction shall be excluded from the results of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such Measurement Period; and

(d) any Indebtedness actually or proposed to be incurred or assumed in such transaction shall be deemed to have been incurred as of the first day of the applicable Measurement Period, and interest thereon shall be deemed to have accrued from such day on such Indebtedness at the applicable rates provided therefor (and in the case of interest that does or would accrue at a formula or floating rate, at the rate in effect at the time of determination) and shall be included in the results of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such Measurement Period.

"<u>Pro Forma Compliance</u>" means, with respect to any transaction, that such transaction does not cause, create or result in a Default after giving Pro Forma Effect, based upon the results of operations for the most recently completed Measurement Period to (a) such transaction and (b) all other transactions which are contemplated or required to be given Pro Forma Effect hereunder that have occurred on or after the first day of the relevant Measurement Period.

"Public Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 6.02.

"<u>Qualified ECP Guarantor</u>" means, at any time, each Loan Party with total assets exceeding 10,000,000 or that qualifies at such time as an "eligible contract participant" under the Commodity Exchange Act and can cause another Person to qualify as an "eligible contract participant" at such time under Section 1a(18)(A)(v)(II) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

"<u>Qualified Stock</u>" shall mean any Equity Interest that is not Disqualified Stock.

"Qualifying Control Agreement" means an agreement, among a Loan Party, a depository institution or securities intermediary and the Administrative Agent, which agreement is in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and which provides the Administrative Agent with "control" (as such term is used in Article 9 of the UCC) over the deposit account(s) or securities account(s) described therein.

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

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

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

"Reportable Event" means any of the events set forth in Section 4043(c) of ERISA, other than events for which the thirty (30) day notice period has been waived.

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

"<u>Required Lenders</u>" means, at any time, Revolving Lenders having Total Revolving Credit Exposures representing more than 50% of the Total Revolving Credit Exposures of all Revolving Lenders, <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that at any time there shall be two (2) or fewer Revolving Lenders, Required Lenders shall mean all Non-Defaulting Lenders. The Total Revolving Credit Exposure of any Defaulting Lender shall be disregarded in determining Required Lenders at any time; <u>provided</u> that, the amount of any participation in any Swingline Loan and Unreimbursed Amounts that such Defaulting Lender has failed to fund that have not been reallocated to and funded by another Lender shall be deemed to be held by the Revolving Lender that is the Swingline Lender or L/C Issuer, as the case may be, in making such determination.

"<u>Resignation Effective Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.06.

"<u>Responsible Officer</u>" means the chief executive officer, president, chief financial officer or treasurer of a Loan Party (or by the manager or member of such Loan Party, as applicable), and solely for purposes of the delivery of incumbency certificates pursuant to Section 4.01, the secretary or any assistant secretary of a Loan Party (or by the manager or member of such Loan Party, as applicable) and, solely for purposes of notices given pursuant to Article II, any other officer or employee of the applicable Loan Party so designated by any of the foregoing officers in a notice to the Administrative Agent or any other officer or employee of the applicable Loan Party designated in or pursuant to an agreement between the applicable Loan Party and the Administrative Agent. Any document delivered hereunder that is signed by a Responsible Officer of a Loan Party shall be conclusively presumed to have been authorized by all necessary corporate, partnership and/or other action on the part of such Loan Party and such Responsible Officer of the Borrower shall be conclusively presumed to have been authorized by all necessary corporate, partnership and/or other action on the part of such Subsidiary Guarantor. To the extent requested by the Administrative Agent, each Responsible Officer will provide an incumbency certificate and to the extent requested by the Administrative Agent, appropriate authorization documentation, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

"<u>Restricted Payment</u>" means (a) any dividend or other distribution, direct or indirect, on account of any shares (or equivalent) of any class of Equity Interests of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, now or hereafter outstanding, (b) any redemption, retirement, sinking fund or similar payment, purchase or other acquisition for value, direct or indirect, of any shares (or equivalent) of any class of Equity Interests of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, now or hereafter outstanding, and (c) any payment made to retire, or to obtain the surrender of, any outstanding warrants, options or other rights to acquire shares of any class of Equity Interests of any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, now or hereafter outstanding.

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

"<u>Revolving Commitment</u>" means, as to each Revolving Lender, its obligation to (a) make Revolving Loans to the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.01(b), (b) purchase participations in L/C Obligations, and (c) purchase participations in Swingline Loans, in an aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding not to exceed the amount set forth opposite such Lender's name on <u>Schedule 1.01(b)</u> under the caption "Revolving Commitment" or opposite such caption in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender becomes a party hereto, as applicable, as such amount may be adjusted from time to time in accordance with this Agreement. The Revolving Commitment of all of the Revolving Lenders on the Closing Date shall be \$50,000,000.

"<u>Revolving Exposure</u>" means, as to any Lender at any time, the aggregate principal amount at such time of its outstanding Revolving Loans and such Lender's participation in L/C Obligations and Swingline Loans at such time.

"Revolving Facility" means, at any time, the aggregate amount of the Revolving Lenders' Revolving Commitments at such time.

"Revolving Facility Increase Effective Date" has the meaning specified in Section 2.16(a)(iv).

"<u>Revolving Lender</u>" means, at any time, (a) so long as any Revolving Commitment is in effect, any Lender that has a Revolving Commitment at such time or (b) if the Revolving Commitments have terminated or expired, any Lender that has a Revolving Loan or a participation in L/C Obligations or Swingline Loans at such time.

"Revolving Loan" has the meaning specified in Section 2.01.

"<u>Revolving Note</u>" means a promissory note made by the Borrower in favor of a Revolving Lender evidencing Revolving Loans or Swingline Loans, as the case may be, made by such Revolving Lender, substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit G</u>.

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

"<u>Sale and Leaseback Transaction</u>" means, with respect to any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, any arrangement, directly or indirectly, with any Person whereby such Loan Party or such Subsidiary shall sell or transfer any property used or useful in its business, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, and thereafter rent or lease such property or other property that it intends to use for substantially the same purpose or purposes as the property being sold or transferred.

"Sanction(s)" means any sanction administered or enforced by the United States Government (including, without limitation, OFAC), the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, Her Majesty's Treasury ("HMT") or other relevant sanctions authority.

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

"Secured Cash Management Agreement" means any Cash Management Agreement between any Loan Party and any of its Subsidiaries and any Cash Management Bank.

"<u>Secured Hedge Agreement</u>" means any interest rate, currency, foreign exchange, or commodity Swap Contract not prohibited under Article VII between any Loan Party and any of its Subsidiaries and any Hedge Bank.

"Secured Obligations" means all Obligations and all Additional Secured Obligations.

"<u>Secured Parties</u>" means, collectively, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders, the L/C Issuer, the Hedge Banks, the Cash Management Banks, the Indemnitees and each co-agent or sub-agent appointed by the Administrative Agent from time to time pursuant to Section 9.05.

"Secured Party Designation Notice" means a notice from any Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender substantially in the form of Exhibit H.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, including all amendments thereto and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Security Agreement, means the security and pledge agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, executed in favor of the Administrative Agent by each of the Loan Parties.

"Social Security Act" means the Social Security Act of 1965.

"Solvency Certificate" means a solvency certificate in substantially in the form of Exhibit I.

"<u>Solvent</u>" and "<u>Solvency</u>" mean, with respect to any Person on any date of determination, that on such date (a) the fair value of the property of such Person is greater than the total amount of liabilities, including contingent liabilities, of such Person, (b) the present fair saleable value of the assets of such Person is not less than the amount that will be required to pay the probable liability of such Person on its debts as they become absolute and matured, (c) such Person does not intend to, and does not believe that it will, incur debts or liabilities beyond such Person's ability to pay such debts and liabilities as they mature, (d) such Person is not engaged in business or a transaction, and is not about to engage in business or a transaction, for which such Person's property would constitute an unreasonably small capital, and (e) such Person is able to pay its debts and liabilities, contingent obligations and other commitments as they mature in the ordinary course of business. The amount of contingent liabilities at any time shall be computed as the amount that, in the light of all the facts and circumstances existing at such time, represents the amount that can reasonably be expected to become an actual or matured liability.

"Specified Loan Party" means any Loan Party that is not then an "eligible contract participant" under the Commodity Exchange Act (determined prior to giving effect to Section 10.11).

"<u>Subordinated Debt</u>" means Indebtedness incurred by any Loan Party which by its terms (a) is expressly subordinated in right of payment to the prior payment of the Obligations and (b) contains other terms, including without limitation, standstill, interest rate, maturity and amortization, and insolvency-related provisions, in all respects reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, including, without limitation, Intercompany Debt (but only to the extent required pursuant to <u>Section 7.02(d)</u>).

"<u>Subordinated Debt Documents</u>" means all agreements (including, without limitation, intercreditor agreements, instruments and other documents) pursuant to which Subordinated Debt has been issued or otherwise setting forth the terms of any Subordinated Debt.

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

"<u>Subsidiary Guarantors</u>" means, collectively, the Subsidiaries of the Borrower set forth on <u>Schedule 5.20(a)</u> (other than the Massachusetts Security Corporation and Anika Therapeutics S.r.l.) and each other Subsidiary of the Borrower that shall execute and delivery a Joinder Agreement or otherwise become party to this Agreement from time to time pursuant to the requirements of Section 6.13.

"<u>Swap Contract</u>" means (a) any and all rate swap transactions, basis swaps, credit derivative transactions, forward rate transactions, commodity swaps, commodity options, forward commodity contracts, equity or equity index swaps or options, bond or bond price or bond index swaps or options or forward bond or forward bond price or forward bond index transactions, interest rate options, forward foreign exchange transactions, cap transactions, floor transactions, collar transactions, currency swap transactions, cross-currency rate swap transactions, currency options, spot contracts, or any other similar transactions or any combination of any of the foregoing (including any options to enter into any of the foregoing), whether or not any such transaction is governed by or subject to any master agreement, and (b) any and all transactions of any kind, and the related confirmations, which are subject to the terms and conditions of, or governed by, any form of master agreement published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., any International Foreign Exchange Master Agreement, or any other master agreement (any such master agreement, together with any related schedules, a "<u>Master</u> <u>Agreement</u>"), including any such obligations or liabilities under any Master Agreement.

"Swap Obligations" means with respect to any Guarantor any obligation to pay or perform under any agreement, contract or transaction that constitutes a "swap" within the meaning of Section 1a(47) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

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

"Swingline Borrowing" means a borrowing of a Swingline Loan pursuant to Section 2.04.

"Swingline Lender" means Bank of America, in its capacity as provider of Swingline Loans, or any successor swingline lender hereunder.

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

"<u>Swingline Loan Notice</u>" means a notice of a Swingline Borrowing pursuant to Section 2.04(b), which shall be substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit J</u> or such other form as approved by the Administrative Agent (including any form on an electronic platform or electronic transmission system as shall be approved by the Administrative Agent), appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower.

"Swingline Sublimit" means an amount equal to the lesser of (a) \$5,000,000 and (b) the Revolving Facility. The Swingline Sublimit is part of, and not in addition to, the Revolving Facility.

"<u>Synthetic Debt</u>" means, with respect to any Person as of any date of determination thereof, all obligations of such Person in respect of transactions entered into by such Person that are intended to function primarily as a borrowing of funds (including any minority interest transactions that function primarily as a borrowing) but are not otherwise included in the definition of "Indebtedness" or as a liability on the Consolidated balance sheet of such Person and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP.

"<u>Synthetic Lease Obligation</u>" means the monetary obligation of a Person under (a) a so-called synthetic, off-balance sheet or tax retention lease, or (b) an agreement for the use or possession of property (including Sale and Leaseback Transactions), in each case, creating obligations that do not appear on the balance sheet of such Person but which, upon the application of any Debtor Relief Laws to such Person, would be characterized as the indebtedness of such Person (without regard to accounting treatment).

"Target" has the meaning set forth in the definition of "Permitted Acquisition."

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

"<u>Threshold Amount</u>" means \$7,500,000.

"Total Revolving Credit Exposure" means, as to any Revolving Lender at any time, the unused Commitments and Revolving Exposure of such Revolving Lender at such time.

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

"Type" means, with respect to a Loan, its character as a Base Rate Loan or a Eurodollar Rate Loan.

"<u>UCC</u>" means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York; <u>provided</u> that, if perfection or the effect of perfection or nonperfection or the priority of any security interest in any Collateral is governed by the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in a jurisdiction other than the State of New York, "<u>UCC</u>" means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect from time to time in such other jurisdiction for purposes of the provisions hereof relating to such perfection, effect of perfection or non-perfection or priority.

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

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

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

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

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

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

"<u>Write-Down and Conversion Powers</u>" means, with respect to any EEA Resolution Authority, the write-down and conversion powers of such EEA Resolution Authority from time to time under the Bail-In Legislation for the applicable EEA Member Country, which write-down and conversion powers are described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule.

1.02 Other Interpretive Provisions.

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

The definitions of terms herein shall apply equally to the singular and plural forms of the terms defined. Whenever the context (a) may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. The words "include," "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation." The word "will" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall." Unless the context requires otherwise, (i) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document (including the Loan Documents and any Organization Document) shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, amended and restated, modified, extended, restated, replaced or supplemented from time to time (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, supplements or modifications set forth herein or in any other Loan Document), (ii) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's successors and assigns, (iii) the words "hereto," "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder," and words of similar import when used in any Loan Document, shall be construed to refer to such Loan Document in its entirety and not to any particular provision thereof, (iv) all references in a Loan Document to Articles, Sections, Preliminary Statements, Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed to refer to Articles and Sections of, and Preliminary Statements, Exhibits and Schedules to, the Loan Document in which such references appear, (v) any reference to any law shall include all statutory and regulatory rules, regulations, orders and provisions consolidating, amending, replacing or interpreting such law and any reference to any law or regulation shall, unless otherwise specified, refer to such law or regulation as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced or supplemented from time to time, and (vi) the words "asset" and "property" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect and to refer to any and all tangible and intangible assets and properties, including cash, securities, accounts and contract rights.

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

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

1.03 <u>Accounting Terms</u>.

(a) <u>Generally</u>. All accounting terms not specifically or completely defined herein shall be construed in conformity with, and all financial data (including financial ratios and other financial calculations) required to be submitted pursuant to this Agreement shall be prepared in conformity with, GAAP applied on a consistent basis, as in effect from time to time, applied in a manner consistent with that used in preparing the Audited Financial Statements, except as otherwise specifically prescribed herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for purposes of determining compliance with any covenant (including the computation of any financial covenant) contained herein, Indebtedness of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries shall be deemed to be carried at 100% of the outstanding principal amount thereof, and the effects of FASB ASC 825 and FASB ASC 470-20 on financial liabilities shall be disregarded.

(b) <u>Changes in GAAP</u>. If at any time any change in GAAP would affect the computation of any financial ratio or requirement set forth in any Loan Document, and either the Borrower or the Required Lenders shall so request, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the Borrower shall negotiate in good faith to amend such ratio or requirement to preserve the original intent thereof in light of such change in GAAP (subject to the approval of the Required Lenders); provided that, until so amended, (i) such ratio or requirement shall continue to be computed in accordance with GAAP prior to such change therein and (ii) the Borrower shall provide to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders financial statements and other documents required under this Agreement or as reasonably requested hereunder setting forth a reconciliation between calculations of such ratio or requirement made before and after giving effect to such change in GAAP. Notwithstanding the foregoing if at any time any change in GAAP would require operating leases or real estate leases to be capitalized, the GAAP treatment of operating and real estate leases on the Closing Date shall continue to apply for purposes of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including for purposes of the definitions of "Consolidated EBITDA", "Consolidated Interest Charges" and "Consolidated Funded Indebtedness" and the calculation of the financial covenants under this Agreement.

(c) <u>Pro Forma Treatment</u>. Each Disposition of all or substantially all of a line of business, and each Acquisition, by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries that is consummated during any Measurement Period shall, for purposes of determining compliance with the financial covenants set forth in Section 7.11 and for purposes of determining the Applicable Rate, be given Pro Forma Effect as of the first day of such Measurement Period.

1.04 <u>Rounding</u>.

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

1.05 <u>Times of Day</u>.

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

1.06 Letter of Credit Amounts.

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

1.07 <u>UCC Terms</u>.

Terms defined in the UCC in effect on the Closing Date and not otherwise defined herein shall, unless the context otherwise indicates, have the meanings provided by those definitions. Subject to the foregoing, the term "UCC" refers, as of any date of determination, to the UCC then in effect.

1.08 <u>Rates; Currency Equivalents</u>.

(a) The Administrative Agent does not warrant, nor accept responsibility, nor shall the Administrative Agent have any liability with respect to the administration, submission or any other matter related to the rates in the definition of "Eurodollar Rate" or with respect to any comparable or successor rate thereto.

(b) Any amount specified in this Agreement (other than in Articles II, IX and X) or any of the other Loan Documents to be in Dollars shall also include the equivalent of such amount in any currency other than Dollars, such equivalent amount thereof in the applicable currency to be determined by the Administrative Agent at such time on the basis of the Spot Rate (as defined below) for the purchase of such currency with Dollars. For purposes of this Section 1.08, the "Spot Rate" for a currency means the rate determined by the Administrative Agent to be the rate quoted by the Person acting in such capacity as the spot rate for the purchase by such Person of such currency with another currency through its principal foreign exchange trading office at approximately 11:00 a.m. on the date two (2) Business Days prior to the date of such determination; provided that the Administrative Agent may obtain such Spot Rate from another financial institution designated by the Administrative Agent if the Person acting in such capacity does not have as of the date of determination a spot buying rate for any such currency.

ARTICLE II

COMMITMENTS AND CREDIT EXTENSIONS

2.01 Loans. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each Revolving Lender severally agrees to make loans (each such loan, a "<u>Revolving Loan</u>") to the Borrower, in Dollars from time to time, on any Business Day during the Availability Period, in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding the amount of such Lender's Revolving Commitment; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that after giving effect to any Revolving Borrowing, (i) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed the Revolving Facility, and (ii) the Revolving Exposure of any Lender shall not exceed such Revolving Lender's Revolving Commitment. Within the limits of each Revolving Lender's Revolving Commitment, and subject to the other terms and conditions hereof, the Borrower may borrow Revolving Loans, prepay under Section 2.05, and reborrow under this Section 2.01(b). Revolving Loans may be Base Rate Loans or Eurodollar Rate Loans, as further provided herein.

2.02 Borrowings, Conversions and Continuations of Loans.

Notice of Borrowing. Each Borrowing, each conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, and each continuation of (a) Eurodollar Rate Loans shall be made upon the Borrower's irrevocable notice to the Administrative Agent, which may be given by: (A) telephone or (B) a Loan Notice; provided that any telephonic notice must be confirmed promptly by delivery to the Administrative Agent of a Loan Notice. Each such Loan Notice must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 12:00 p.m. (i) three (3) Business Days prior to the requested date of any Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of Eurodollar Rate Loans or of any conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Loans, and (ii) on the requested date of any Borrowing of Base Rate Loans; provided, however, that if the Borrower wishes to request Eurodollar Rate Loans having an Interest Period other than one (1), two (2), three (3) or six (6) months in duration as provided in the definition of "Interest Period", the applicable notice must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 12:00 p.m. four (4) Business Days prior to the requested date of such Borrowing, conversion or continuation, whereupon the Administrative Agent shall give prompt notice to the Appropriate Lenders of such request and determine whether the requested Interest Period is acceptable to all of them. Not later than 12:00 p.m., three (3) Business Days before the requested date of such Borrowing, conversion or continuation, the Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrower (which notice may be by telephone) whether or not the requested Interest Period has been consented to by all the Lenders . Each Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of Eurodollar Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$500,000 in excess thereof. Except as provided in Sections 2.03(c) and 2.04(c), each Borrowing of or conversion to Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$250,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof. Each Loan Notice and each telephonic notice shall specify (A) whether the Borrower is requesting a Borrowing, a conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, or a continuation of Loans, as the case may be, (B) the requested date of the Borrowing, conversion or continuation, as the case may be (which shall be a Business Day), (C) the principal amount of Loans to be borrowed, converted or continued, (D) the Type of Loans to be borrowed or to which existing Loans are to be converted, and (E) if applicable, the duration of the Interest Period with respect thereto. If the Borrower fails to specify a Type of Loan in a Loan Notice or if the Borrower fails to give a timely notice requesting a conversion or continuation, then the applicable Loans shall be made as, or converted to, Base Rate Loans. Any such automatic conversion to Base Rate Loans shall be effective as of the last day of the Interest Period then in effect with respect to the applicable Eurodollar Rate Loans. If the Borrower requests a Borrowing of, conversion to, or continuation of Eurodollar Rate Loans in any such Loan Notice, but fails to specify an Interest Period, it will be deemed to have specified an Interest Period of one (1) month. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Swingline Loan shall be made as a Base Rate Loan and may not be converted to a Eurodollar Rate Loan.

(b) Advances. Following receipt of a Loan Notice, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Appropriate Lender of the amount of its Applicable Percentage of the applicable Loans, and if no timely notice of a conversion or continuation is provided by the Borrower, the Administrative Agent shall notify each Appropriate Lender of the details of any automatic conversion to Base Rate Loans described in Section 2.02(a). In the case of a Borrowing, each Appropriate Lender shall make the amount of its Loan available to the Administrative Agent in immediately available funds at the Administrative Agent's Office not later than 1:00 p.m. on the Business Day specified in the applicable Loan Notice. Upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in Section 4.02 (and, if such Borrowing is the initial Credit Extension, Section 4.01), the Administrative Agent shall make all funds so received available to the Borrower in like funds as received by the Administrative Agent either by (i) crediting the account of the Borrower on the books of the Administrative Agent with the amount of such funds or (ii) wire transfer of such funds, in each case in accordance with instructions provided to (and reasonably acceptable to) the Administrative Agent by the Borrower; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if, on the date a Loan Notice with respect to a Revolving Borrowing is given by the Borrower, there are L/C Borrowings outstanding, then the proceeds of such Revolving Borrowing, <u>first</u>, shall be applied to the payment in full of any such L/C Borrowings, and second, shall be made available to the Borrower as provided above.

(c) <u>Eurodollar Rate Loans</u>. Except as otherwise provided herein, a Eurodollar Rate Loan may be continued or converted only on the last day of an Interest Period for such Eurodollar Rate Loan. During the existence of an Event of Default, no Loans may be requested as, converted to or continued as Eurodollar Rate Loans without the consent of the Required Lenders, and the Required Lenders may demand that any or all of the outstanding Eurodollar Rate Loans be converted immediately to Base Rate Loans.

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

(e) <u>Interest Periods</u>. After giving effect to all Revolving Borrowings, all conversions of Revolving Loans from one Type to the other, and all continuations of Revolving Loans as the same Type, there shall not be more than six (6) Interest Periods in effect in respect of the Revolving Facility.

(f) <u>Cashless Settlement Mechanism</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, any Lender may exchange, continue or rollover all or a portion of its Loans in connection with any refinancing, extension, loan modification or similar transaction permitted by the terms of this Agreement, pursuant to a cashless settlement mechanism approved by the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and such Lender.

2.03 Letters of Credit.

(a) <u>The Letter of Credit Commitment</u>.

(i) Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, (A) the L/C Issuer agrees, in reliance upon the agreements of the Revolving Lenders set forth in this Section, (1) from time to time on any Business Day during the period from the Closing Date until the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, to issue Letters of Credit denominated in Dollars for the account of the Borrower or any of its Domestic Subsidiaries or, in the L/C Issuer's sole and absolute discretion, any of its Foreign Subsidiaries, and to amend or extend Letters of Credit previously issued by it, in accordance with Section 2.03(b), and (2) to honor drawings under the Letters of Credit; and (B) the Revolving Lenders severally agree to participate in Letters of Credit Extension with respect to any Letter of Credit, (x) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed the Revolving Facility, (y) the Revolving Exposure of any Revolving Lender shall not exceed such Lender's Revolving Commitment, and (z) the Outstanding Amount of the L/C Obligations shall not exceed the Letter of Credit Sublimit. Each request by the Borrower for the issuance or amendment of a Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be a representation by the Borrower that the L/C Credit Extension set forth in the proviso to the preceding sentence. Within the foregoing limits, and subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Borrower's ability to obtain Letters of Credit shall be fully revolving, and accordingly the Borrower may, during the foregoing period, obtain Letters of Credit to replace Letters of Credit that have expired or that have been drawn upon and reimbursed.

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

(A) subject to Section 2.03(b)(iv), the expiry date of the requested Letter of Credit would occur more than twelve (12) months after the date of issuance or last extension, unless the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer have approved such expiry date; or

(B) the expiry date of such requested Letter of Credit would occur after the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, unless the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer have approved such expiry date (it being understood that in the event the expiry date of any requested Letter of Credit would occur after the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, from and after the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, the Borrower shall Cash Collateralize the then Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations in respect of such Letters of Credit in accordance with Section 2.14).

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

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

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

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

(D) except as otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer, the Letter of Credit is to be denominated in a currency other than Dollars;

(E) any Revolving Lender is at that time a Defaulting Lender, unless the L/C Issuer has entered into arrangements, including the delivery of Cash Collateral, satisfactory to the L/C Issuer (in its sole discretion) with the Borrower or such Revolving Lender to eliminate the L/C Issuer's actual or potential Fronting Exposure (after giving effect to Section 2.15(a) (iv)) with respect to the Defaulting Lender arising from either the Letter of Credit then proposed to be issued or that Letter of Credit and all other L/C Obligations as to which the L/C Issuer has actual or potential Fronting Exposure, as it may elect in its sole discretion;

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

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

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

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

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

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

Each Letter of Credit shall be issued or amended, as the case may be, upon the request of the Borrower delivered to (i) the L/C Issuer (with a copy to the Administrative Agent) in the form of a Letter of Credit Application, appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower and/or such Subsidiary, as required by the L/C Issuer. Such Letter of Credit Application may be sent by fax transmission, by United States mail, by overnight courier, by electronic transmission using the system provided by the L/C Issuer, by personal delivery or by any other means acceptable to the L/C Issuer. Such Letter of Credit Application must be received by the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent not later than 12:00 p.m. at least five (5) Business Days (or such later date and time as the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer may agree in a particular instance in their sole discretion) prior to the proposed issuance date or date of amendment, as the case may be. In the case of a request for an initial issuance of a Letter of Credit, such Letter of Credit Application shall specify in form and detail satisfactory to the L/C Issuer: (A) the proposed issuance date of the requested Letter of Credit (which shall be a Business Day); (B) the amount thereof; (C) the expiry date thereof; (D) the name and address of the beneficiary thereof; (E) the documents to be presented by such beneficiary in case of any drawing thereunder; (F) the full text of any certificate to be presented by such beneficiary in case of any drawing thereunder; (G) the purpose and nature of the requested Letter of Credit; and (H) such other matters as the L/C Issuer may require. In the case of a request for an amendment of any outstanding Letter of Credit, such Letter of Credit Application shall specify in form and detail satisfactory to the L/C Issuer (1) the Letter of Credit to be amended; (2) the proposed date of amendment thereof (which shall be a Business Day); (3) the nature of the proposed amendment; and (4) such other matters as the L/C Issuer may require. Additionally, the Borrower shall furnish to the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent such other documents and information pertaining to such requested Letter of Credit issuance or amendment, including any Issuer Documents, as the L/C Issuer or the Administrative Agent may require.

(ii) Promptly after receipt of any Letter of Credit Application, the L/C Issuer will confirm with the Administrative Agent (by telephone or in writing) that the Administrative Agent has received a copy of such Letter of Credit Application from the Borrower and, if not, the L/C Issuer will provide the Administrative Agent with a copy thereof. Unless the L/C Issuer has received written notice from any Revolving Lender, the Administrative Agent or any Loan Party, at least one (1) Business Day prior to the requested date of issuance or amendment of the applicable Letter of Credit, that one or more applicable conditions contained in Article IV shall not then be satisfied, then, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the L/C Issuer shall, on the requested date, issue a Letter of Credit for the account of the Borrower (or the applicable Subsidiary) or enter into the applicable amendment, as the case may be, in each case in accordance with the L/C Issuer's usual and customary business practices. Immediately upon the issuance of each Letter of Credit, each Revolving Lender shall be deemed to, and hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees to, purchase from the L/C Issuer a risk participation in such Letter of Credit in an amount equal to the product of such Revolving Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage times the amount of such Letter of Credit.

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

If the Borrower so requests in any applicable Letter of Credit Application, the L/C Issuer may, in its sole discretion, (iv) agree to issue a standby Letter of Credit that has automatic extension provisions (each, an "Auto-Extension Letter of Credit"); provided that any such Auto-Extension Letter of Credit must permit the L/C Issuer to prevent any such extension at least once in each twelve (12) month period (commencing with the date of issuance of such Letter of Credit) by giving prior notice to the beneficiary thereof not later than a day (the "Non-Extension Notice Date") in each such twelve (12) month period to be agreed upon at the time such Letter of Credit is issued. Unless otherwise directed by the L/C Issuer, the Borrower shall not be required to make a specific request to the L/C Issuer for any such extension. Once an Auto-Extension Letter of Credit has been issued, the Revolving Lenders shall be deemed to have authorized (but may not require) the L/C Issuer to permit the extension of such Letter of Credit at any time to an expiry date not later than the Letter of Credit Expiration Date; provided, however, that the L/C Issuer shall not permit any such extension if (A) the L/C Issuer has determined that it would not be permitted, or would have no obligation at such time to issue such Letter of Credit in its revised form (as extended) under the terms hereof (by reason of the provisions of clause (ii) or (iii) of Section 2.03(a) or otherwise), or (B) it has received notice (which may be by telephone or in writing) on or before the day that is seven (7) Business Days before the Non-Extension Notice Date (1) from the Administrative Agent that the Required Lenders have elected not to permit such extension or (2) from the Administrative Agent, any Revolving Lender or the Borrower that one or more of the applicable conditions specified in Section 4.02 is not then satisfied, and in each such case directing the L/C Issuer not to permit such extension.

(c) Drawings and Reimbursements; Funding of Participations.

(i) Upon receipt from the beneficiary of any Letter of Credit of any notice of a drawing under such Letter of Credit, the L/C Issuer shall notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent thereof. Not later than 11:00 a.m. on the date of any payment by the L/C Issuer under a Letter of Credit (each such date, an "<u>Honor Date</u>"), the Borrower shall reimburse the L/C Issuer through the Administrative Agent in an amount equal to the amount of such drawing. If the Borrower fails to so reimburse the L/C Issuer by such time, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Revolving Lender of the Honor Date, the amount of the unreimbursed drawing (the "<u>Unreimbursed Amount</u>"), and the amount of such Revolving Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage thereof. In such event, the Borrower shall be deemed to have requested a Revolving Borrowing of Base Rate Loans to be disbursed on the Honor Date in an amount equal to the unreimbursed to the minimum and multiples specified in Section 2.02 for the principal amount of Base Rate Loans, but subject to the amount of the unutilized portion of the Revolving Commitments and the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 (other than the delivery of a Loan Notice). Any notice given by the L/C Issuer or the Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section 2.03(c) (i) may be given by telephone if immediately confirmed in writing; <u>provided</u> that the lack of such an immediate confirmation shall not affect the conclusiveness or binding effect of such notice.

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

(iii) With respect to any Unreimbursed Amount that is not fully refinanced by a Revolving Borrowing of Base Rate Loans because the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 cannot be satisfied or for any other reason, the Borrower shall be deemed to have incurred from the L/C Issuer an L/C Borrowing in the amount of the Unreimbursed Amount that is not so refinanced, which L/C Borrowing shall be due and payable on demand (together with interest) and shall bear interest at the Default Rate. In such event, each Revolving Lender's payment to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer pursuant to Section 2.03(c)(ii) shall be deemed payment in respect of its participation in such L/C Borrowing and shall constitute an L/C Advance from such Lender in satisfaction of its participation obligation under this Section.

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

(v) Each Revolving Lender's obligation to make Revolving Loans or L/C Advances to reimburse the L/C Issuer for amounts drawn under Letters of Credit, as contemplated by this Section 2.03(c), shall be absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance, including (A) any setoff, counterclaim, recoupment, defense or other right which such Lender may have against the L/C Issuer, the Borrower, any Subsidiary thereof or any other Person for any reason whatsoever; (B) the occurrence or continuance of a Default; or (C) any other occurrence, event or condition, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that each Revolving Lender's obligation to make Revolving Loans pursuant to this Section 2.03(c) is subject to the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 (other than delivery by the Borrower of a Loan Notice). No such making of an L/C Advance shall relieve or otherwise impair the obligation of the Borrower to reimburse the L/C Issuer for the amount of any payment made by the L/C Issuer under any Letter of Credit, together with interest as provided herein.

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

(d) <u>Repayment of Participations</u>.

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

(ii) If any payment received by the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer pursuant to Section 2.03(c)(i) is required to be returned under any of the circumstances described in Section 11.05 (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the L/C Issuer in its discretion), each Revolving Lender shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer its Applicable Revolving Percentage thereof on demand of the Administrative Agent, plus interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such amount is returned by such Lender, at a rate per annum equal to the Federal Funds Rate from time to time in effect. The obligations of the Lenders under this clause shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(viii) any other circumstance or happening whatsoever, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing, including any other circumstance that might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries.

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

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

(g) <u>Applicability of ISP and UCP; Limitation of Liability</u>. Unless otherwise expressly agreed by the L/C Issuer and the Borrower when a Letter of Credit is issued, the rules of the ISP shall apply to each standby Letter of Credit. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the L/C Issuer shall not be responsible to the Borrower for, and the L/C Issuer's rights and remedies against the Borrower shall not be impaired by, any action or inaction of the L/C Issuer required or permitted under any law, order, or practice that is required or permitted to be applied to any Letter of Credit or this Agreement, including the Law or any order of a jurisdiction where the L/C Issuer or the beneficiary is located, the practice stated in the ISP or UCP, as applicable, or in the decisions, opinions, practice statements, or official commentary of the ICC Banking Commission, the Bankers Association for Finance and Trade - International Financial Services Association (BAFT-IFSA), or the Institute of International Banking Law & Practice, whether or not any Letter of Credit chooses such law or practice.

(h) Letter of Credit Fees. The Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Revolving Lender in accordance, subject to Section 2.15, with its Applicable Revolving Percentage, a Letter of Credit fee (the "Letter of Credit Fee") for each Letter of Credit equal to the Applicable Rate times the daily amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit (determined in accordance with Section 1.06). Letter of Credit Fees shall be (1) due and payable on the first Business Day following each fiscal quarter end, commencing with the first such date to occur after the issuance of such Letter of Credit, on the Letter of Credit Expiration Date and thereafter on demand and (2) computed on a quarterly basis in arrears. If there is any change in the Applicable Rate during any quarter, the daily amount available to be drawn under each Letter of Credit shall be computed and multiplied by the Applicable Rate separately for each period during such quarter that such Applicable Rate was in effect.

(i) <u>Fronting Fee and Documentary and Processing Charges Payable to L/C Issuer</u>. The Borrower shall pay directly to the L/C Issuer for its own account a fronting fee with respect to each Letter of Credit, at the rate per annum specified in the Fee Letter , computed on the daily amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit on a quarterly basis in arrears. Such fronting fee shall be due and payable on or prior to the date that is ten (10) Business Days following each fiscal quarter end, commencing with the first such date to occur after the issuance of such Letter of Credit, on the Letter of Credit Expiration Date and thereafter on demand. For purposes of computing the daily amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.06. In addition, the Borrower shall pay directly to the L/C Issuer for its own account the customary issuance, presentation, amendment and other processing fees, and other standard costs and charges, of the L/C Issuer relating to letters of credit as from time to time in effect. Such customary fees and standard costs and charges are due and payable on demand and are nonrefundable.

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

(k) <u>Letters of Credit Issued for Subsidiaries</u>. Notwithstanding that a Letter of Credit issued or outstanding hereunder is in support of any obligations of, or is for the account of, a Subsidiary, the Borrower shall be obligated to reimburse the L/C Issuer hereunder for any and all drawings under such Letter of Credit. The Borrower hereby acknowledges that the issuance of Letters of Credit for the account of Subsidiaries inures to the benefit of the Borrower, and that the Borrower's business derives substantial benefits from the businesses of such Subsidiaries.

2.04 <u>Swingline Loans</u>.

The Swingline. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Swingline Lender, in reliance upon the agreements of (a) the other Lenders set forth in this Section, may in its sole discretion make loans to the Borrower (each such loan, a "Swingline Loan"). Each such Swingline Loan may be made, subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, to the Borrower, in Dollars, from time to time on any Business Day during the Availability Period in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding the amount of the Swingline Sublimit, notwithstanding the fact that such Swingline Loans, when aggregated with the Applicable Revolving Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of Revolving Loans and L/C Obligations of the Lender acting as Swingline Lender, may exceed the amount of such Lender's Revolving Commitment; provided, however, that (i) after giving effect to any Swingline Loan, (A) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed the Revolving Facility at such time, and (B) the Revolving Exposure of any Revolving Lender at such time shall not exceed such Lender's Revolving Commitment, (ii) the Borrower shall not use the proceeds of any Swingline Loan to refinance any outstanding Swingline Loan, and (iii) the Swingline Lender shall not be under any obligation to make any Swingline Loan if it shall determine (which determination shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error) that it has, or by such Credit Extension may have, Fronting Exposure. Within the foregoing limits, and subject to the other terms and conditions hereof, the Borrower may borrow under this Section, prepay under Section 2.05, and reborrow under this Section. Each Swingline Loan shall bear interest only at a rate based on the Base Rate plus the Applicable Rate. Immediately upon the making of a Swingline Loan, each Revolving Lender shall be deemed to, and hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees to, purchase from the Swingline Lender a risk participation in such Swingline Loan in an amount equal to the product of such Revolving Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage times the amount of such Swingline Loan.

(b) <u>Borrowing Procedures</u>.

Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, each Swingline Borrowing shall be made upon the Borrower's irrevocable notice to the Swingline Lender and the Administrative Agent, which may be given by: (A) telephone or (B) a Swingline Loan Notice; provided that any telephonic notice must be confirmed promptly by delivery to the Swingline Lender and the Administrative Agent of a Swingline Loan Notice. Each such Swingline Loan Notice must be received by the Swingline Lender and the Administrative Agent not later than 2:00 p.m. on the requested borrowing date, and shall specify (i) the amount to be borrowed, which shall be a minimum of \$100,000, and (ii) the requested date of the Borrowing (which shall be a Business Day). Promptly after receipt by the Swingline Lender of any Swingline Loan Notice, the Swingline Lender will confirm with the Administrative Agent (by telephone or in writing) that the Administrative Agent has also received such Swingline Loan Notice and, if not, the Swingline Lender will notify the Administrative Agent (by telephone or in writing) from the Administrative Agent (including at the request of any Revolving Lender) prior to 3:00 p.m. on the date of the proposed Swingline Borrowing (A) directing the Swingline Lender not to make such Swingline Loan as a result of the limitations set forth in the first proviso to the first sentence of Section 2.04(a), or (B) that one or more of the applicable conditions specified in Article IV is not then satisfied, then, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Swingline Lender may, make the amount of its Swingline Loan available to the Borrower at its office by crediting the account of the Borrower on the books of the Swingline Lender in immediately available funds.

(c) <u>Refinancing of Swingline Loans</u>.

(i) The Swingline Lender at any time in its sole discretion may request, on behalf of the Borrower (which hereby irrevocably authorizes the Swingline Lender to so request on its behalf), that each Revolving Lender make a Base Rate Loan in an amount equal to such Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage of the amount of Swingline Loans then outstanding. Such request shall be made in writing (which written request shall be deemed to be a Loan Notice for purposes hereof) and in accordance with the requirements of Section 2.02, without regard to the minimum and multiples specified therein for the principal amount of Base Rate Loans, but subject to the unutilized portion of the Revolving Facility and the conditions set forth in Section 4.02. The Swingline Lender shall furnish the Borrower with a copy of the applicable Loan Notice promptly after delivering such notice to the Administrative Agent. Each Revolving Lender shall make an amount equal to its Applicable Revolving Percentage of the amount specified in such Loan Notice available to the Administrative Agent in immediately available funds (and the Administrative Agent may apply Cash Collateral available with respect to the applicable Swingline Loan Notice, whereupon, subject to Section 2.04(c)(ii), each Revolving Lender that so makes funds available shall be deemed to have made a Base Rate Loan to the Borrower in such amount. The Administrative Agent shall remit the funds so received to the Swingline Lender.

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

(iii) If any Revolving Lender fails to make available to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Swingline Lender any amount required to be paid by such Lender pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.04(c) by the time specified in Section 2.04(c)(i), the Swingline Lender shall be entitled to recover from such Lender (acting through the Administrative Agent), on demand, such amount with interest thereon for the period from the date such payment is required to the date on which such payment is immediately available to the Swingline Lender at a rate per annum equal to the greater of the Federal Funds Rate and a rate determined by the Swingline Lender in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation, plus any administrative, processing or similar fees customarily charged by the Swingline Lender in connection with the foregoing. If such Lender pays such amount (with interest and fees as aforesaid), the amount so paid shall constitute such Lender's Revolving Loan included in the relevant Revolving Borrowing or funded participation in the relevant Swingline Loan, as the case may be. A certificate of the Swingline Lender submitted to any Lender (through the Administrative Agent) with respect to any amounts owing under this clause (iii) shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

(iv) Each Revolving Lender's obligation to make Revolving Loans or to purchase and fund risk participations in Swingline Loans pursuant to this Section 2.04(c) shall be absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance, including (A) any setoff, counterclaim, recoupment, defense or other right which such Lender may have against the Swingline Lender, the Borrower or any other Person for any reason whatsoever, (B) the occurrence or continuance of a Default or (C) any other occurrence, event or condition, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing; <u>provided however</u>, that each Revolving Lender's obligation to make Revolving Loans pursuant to this Section 2.04(c) is subject to the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 (other than delivery by the Borrower of a Loan Notice). No such funding of risk participations shall relieve or otherwise impair the obligation of the Borrower to repay Swingline Loans, together with interest as provided herein.

(d) <u>Repayment of Participations</u>.

(i) At any time after any Revolving Lender has purchased and funded a risk participation in a Swingline Loan, if the Swingline Lender receives any payment on account of such Swingline Loan, the Swingline Lender will distribute to such Revolving Lender its Applicable Revolving Percentage thereof in the same funds as those received by the Swingline Lender.

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

(e) Interest for Account of Swingline Lender. The Swingline Lender shall be responsible for invoicing the Borrower for interest on the Swingline Loans. Until each Revolving Lender funds its Base Rate Loan or risk participation pursuant to this Section to refinance such Revolving Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage of any Swingline Loan, interest in respect of such Applicable Revolving Percentage shall be solely for the account of the Swingline Lender.

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

2.05 <u>Prepayments</u>.

(a) <u>Optional</u>.

(i) The Borrower may, upon notice to the Administrative Agent pursuant to delivery to the Administrative Agent of a Notice of Loan Prepayment, at any time or from time to time voluntarily prepay Revolving Loans in whole or in part without premium or penalty subject to Section 3.05; <u>provided</u> that, unless otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent, (A) such notice must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 12:00 p.m. (1) three (3) Business Days prior to any date of prepayment of Eurodollar Rate Loans and (2) on the date of prepayment of Base Rate Loans; (B) any prepayment of Eurodollar Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$500,000 in excess thereof; and (C) any prepayment of Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$250,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof or, in each case, if less, the entire principal amount thereof then outstanding. Each such notice shall specify the date and amount of such prepayment and the Type(s) of Loans to be prepaid and, if Eurodollar Rate Loans are to be prepaid, the Interest Period(s) of such Loans. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify each Lender of its receipt of each such notice is given by the Borrower, the Borrower shall make such prepayment and the payment amount specified in such notice shall be due and payable on the date specified therein. Any prepayment of principal shall be accompanied by all accrued interest on the amount prepaid, together with any additional amounts required pursuant to Section 3.05. Subject to Section 2.15, such prepayments shall be paid to the Lenders in accordance with their respective Applicable Percentages.

(ii) The Borrower may, upon notice to the Swingline Lender pursuant to delivery to the Swingline Lender of a Notice of Loan Prepayment (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), at any time or from time to time, voluntarily prepay Swingline Loans in whole or in part without premium or penalty; <u>provided</u> that, unless otherwise agreed by the Swingline Lender, (A) such notice must be received by the Swingline Lender and the Administrative Agent not later than 1:00 p.m. on the date of the prepayment, and (B) any such prepayment shall be in a minimum principal amount of \$100,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess hereof (or, if less, the entire principal thereof then outstanding). Each such notice shall specify the date and amount of such prepayment. If such notice is given by the Borrower, the Borrower shall make such prepayment and the payment amount specified in such notice shall be due and payable on the date specified therein. Any prepayment of principal shall be accompanied by all accrued interest on the amount prepaid, together with any additional amounts required pursuant to Section 3.05.

(b) <u>Mandatory</u>.

(i) If for any reason the Total Revolving Outstandings at any time exceed the Revolving Facility at such time, the Borrower shall promptly (and, in any event, within one (1) Business Day) prepay Revolving Loans, Swingline Loans and L/C Borrowings (together with all accrued but unpaid interest thereon) and/or Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations in an aggregate amount equal to such excess; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Borrower shall not be required to Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations pursuant to this Section 2.05(b)(i) unless, after the prepayment of the Revolving Loans and Swingline Loans, the Total Revolving Outstandings exceed the Revolving Facility at such time.

(ii) Except as otherwise provided in Section 2.15, prepayments of the Revolving Facility made pursuant to this Section 2.05(b), <u>first</u>, shall be applied ratably to the L/C Borrowings and the Swingline Loans, <u>second</u>, shall be applied to the outstanding Revolving Loans, and, <u>third</u>, shall be used to Cash Collateralize the remaining L/C Obligations. Upon the drawing of any Letter of Credit that has been Cash Collateralized, the funds held as Cash Collateral shall be applied (without any further action by or notice to or from the Borrower or any other Loan Party or any Defaulting Lender that has provided Cash Collateral) to reimburse the L/C Issuer or the Revolving Lenders, as applicable.

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

2.06 <u>Termination or Reduction of Commitments</u>.

(a) <u>Optional</u>. The Borrower may, upon notice to the Administrative Agent, terminate the Revolving Facility, the Letter of Credit Sublimit or the Swingline Sublimit, or from time to time permanently reduce the Revolving Facility, the Letter of Credit Sublimit or the Swingline Sublimit; <u>provided</u> that (i) any such notice shall be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 12:00 p.m. five (5) Business Days prior to the date of termination or reduction, (ii) any such partial reduction shall be in an aggregate amount of \$5,000,000 or any whole multiple of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof and (iii) the Borrower shall not terminate or reduce (A) the Revolving Facility if, after giving effect thereto and to any concurrent prepayments hereunder, the Total Revolving Outstandings would exceed the Revolving Facility, (B) the Letter of Credit Sublimit if, after giving effect thereto, the Outstanding Amount of L/C Obligations not fully Cash Collateralized hereunder would exceed the Letter of Credit Sublimit, or (C) the Swingline Sublimit if, after giving effect thereto and to any concurrent prepayments hereunder, the Sublimit if, after giving effect thereto and to any concurrent prepayments hereunder, the Sublimit if, after giving effect thereto and to any concurrent prepayments hereunder would exceed the Swingline Loans would exceed the Swingline Sublimit.

(b) <u>Mandatory</u>. If after giving effect to any reduction or termination of Revolving Commitments under this Section 2.06, the Letter of Credit Sublimit or the Swingline Sublimit exceeds the Revolving Facility at such time, the Letter of Credit Sublimit or the Swingline Sublimit, as the case may be, shall be automatically reduced by the amount of such excess.

(c) <u>Application of Commitment Reductions; Payment of Fees</u>. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify the Lenders of any termination or reduction of the Letter of Credit Sublimit, Swingline Sublimit or the Revolving Commitment under this Section 2.06. Upon any reduction of the Revolving Commitments, the Revolving Commitment of each Revolving Lender shall be reduced by such Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage of such reduction amount. All fees in respect of the Revolving Facility accrued until the effective date of any termination of the Revolving Facility shall be paid on the effective date of such termination.

2.07 <u>Repayment of Loans</u>.

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

(b) <u>Swingline Loans</u>. The Borrower shall repay each Swingline Loan on the earlier to occur of (i) the date ten (10) Business Days after such Loan is made and (ii) the Maturity Date.

2.08 Interest and Default Rate.

(a) Interest. Subject to the provisions of Section 2.08(b), (i) each Eurodollar Rate Loan under the Revolving Facility shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof for each Interest Period from the applicable borrowing date at a rate per annum equal to the Eurodollar Rate for such Interest Period <u>plus</u> the Applicable Rate; (ii) each Base Rate Loan under the Revolving Facility shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof from the applicable borrowing date at a rate per annum equal to the Base Rate <u>plus</u> the Applicable Bate; and (iii) each Swingline Loan shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof from the applicable borrowing date at a rate per annum equal to the Base Rate <u>plus</u> the Applicable Rate. To the extent that any calculation of interest or any fee required to be paid under this Agreement shall be based on (or result in) a calculation that is less than zero, such calculation shall be deemed zero for purposes of this Agreement.

(b) <u>Default Rate</u>.

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

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

(iii) At the election of the Administrative Agent or upon the request of the Required Lenders, while any Event of Default exists (other than an Event of Default under Section 8.01(a) and other than events described in <u>Section 2.08(b)(i)</u> and <u>Section 2.08(b)(i)</u> above), all outstanding fees (including Letter of Credit Fees and commitment fees) may accrue at a fluctuating interest rate per annum at all times equal to the Default Rate to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws.

(iv) Accrued and unpaid interest on past due amounts (including interest on past due interest) shall be due and payable upon demand.

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

2.09 <u>Fees</u>.

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

(a) <u>Commitment Fee</u>. The Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Revolving Lender in accordance with its Applicable Revolving Percentage, a commitment fee equal to the Applicable Rate times the actual daily amount by which the Revolving Facility exceeds the sum of (i) the Outstanding Amount of Revolving Loans and (ii) the Outstanding Amount of L/C Obligations, subject to adjustment as provided in Section 2.15. For the avoidance of doubt, the Outstanding Amount of Swingline Loans shall not be counted towards or considered usage of the Revolving Facility for purposes of determining the commitment fee. The commitment fee shall accrue at all times during the Availability Period, including at any time during which one or more of the conditions in Article IV is not met, and shall be due and payable quarterly in arrears on the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December, commencing with the first such date to occur after the Closing Date, and on the last day of the Availability Period for the Revolving Facility. The commitment fee shall be calculated quarterly in arrears, and if there is any change in the Applicable Rate during any quarter, the actual daily amount shall be computed and multiplied by the Applicable Rate separately for each period during such quarter that such Applicable Rate was in effect.

(b) <u>Other Fees</u>.

(i) The Borrower shall pay to the Persons entitled thereto, for their own account, fees in the amounts and at the times specified in the Fee Letter. Such fees shall be fully earned when paid and shall not be refundable for any reason whatsoever.

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

2.10 <u>Computation of Interest and Fees; Retroactive Adjustments of Applicable Rate</u>.

(a) <u>Computation of Interest and Fees</u>. All computations of interest for Base Rate Loans (including Base Rate Loans determined by reference to the Eurodollar Rate) shall be made on the basis of a year of 365 or 366 days, as the case may be, and actual days elapsed. All other computations of fees and interest shall be made on the basis of a 360-day year and actual days elapsed (which results in more fees or interest, as applicable, being paid than if computed on the basis of a 365 day year). Interest shall accrue on each Loan for the day on which the Loan is made, and shall not accrue on a Loan, or any portion thereof, for the day on which the Loan or such portion is paid, provided that any Loan that is repaid on the same day on which it is made shall, subject to Section 2.12(a), bear interest for one (1) day. Each determination by the Administrative Agent of an interest rate or fee hereunder shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent manifest error.

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

2.11 Evidence of Debt.

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

(b) <u>Maintenance of Records</u>. In addition to the accounts and records referred to in Section 2.11(a), each Lender and the Administrative Agent shall maintain in accordance with its usual practice accounts or records evidencing the purchases and sales by such Lender of participations in Letters of Credit and Swingline Loans. In the event of any conflict between the accounts and records maintained by the Administrative Agent and the accounts and records of any Lender in respect of such matters, the accounts and records of the Administrative Agent shall control in the absence of manifest error.

2.12 <u>Payments Generally; Administrative Agent's Clawback</u>.

(a) <u>General</u>. All payments to be made by the Borrower shall be made free and clear of and without condition or deduction for any counterclaim, defense, recoupment or setoff. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all payments by the Borrower hereunder shall be made to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the respective Lenders to which such payment is owed, at the Administrative Agent's Office in Dollars and in immediately available funds not later than 2:00 p.m. on the date specified herein. The Administrative Agent will promptly distribute to each Lender its Applicable Percentage (or other applicable share as provided herein) of such payment in like funds as received by wire transfer to such Lender's Lending Office. All payments received by the Administrative Agent after 2:00 p.m. shall be deemed received on the next succeeding Business Day and any applicable interest or fee shall continue to accrue. Except with respect to the payment of Obligations on the Maturity Date or as otherwise specifically provided for in this Agreement, if any payment to be made by the Borrower shall come due on a day other than a Business Day, payment shall be made on the next following Business Day, and such extension of time shall be reflected in computing interest or fees, as the case may be.

(i) Funding by Lenders; Presumption by Administrative Agent. Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice (b) from a Lender prior to the proposed date of any Borrowing of Eurodollar Rate Loans (or, in the case of any Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, prior to 12:00 noon on the date of such Borrowing) that such Lender will not make available to the Administrative Agent such Lender's share of such Borrowing, the Administrative Agent may assume that such Lender has made such share available on such date in accordance with Section 2.02 (or, in the case of a Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, that such Lender has made such share available in accordance with and at the time required by Section 2.02) and may, in reliance upon such assumption, make available to the Borrower a corresponding amount. In such event, if a Lender has not in fact made its share of the applicable Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent, then the applicable Lender and the Borrower severally agree to pay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand such corresponding amount in immediately available funds with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is made available to the Borrower to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at (A) in the case of a payment to be made by such Lender, the greater of the Federal Funds Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation, plus any administrative, processing or similar fees customarily charged by the Administrative Agent in connection with the foregoing, and (B) in the case of a payment to be made by the Borrower, the interest rate applicable to Base Rate Loans. If the Borrower and such Lender shall pay such interest to the Administrative Agent for the same or an overlapping period, the Administrative Agent shall promptly remit to the Borrower the amount of such interest paid by the Borrower for such period. If such Lender pays its share of the applicable Borrowing to the Administrative Agent, then the amount so paid shall constitute such Lender's Loan included in such Borrowing. Any payment by the Borrower shall be without prejudice to any claim the Borrower may have against a Lender that shall have failed to make such payment to the Administrative Agent.

(ii) Payments by Borrower; Presumptions by Administrative Agent. Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from the Borrower prior to the date on which any payment is due to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lenders or the L/C Issuer hereunder that the Borrower will not make such payment, the Administrative Agent may assume that the Borrower has made such payment on such date in accordance herewith and may, in reliance upon such assumption, distribute to the Appropriate Lenders or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, the amount due. In such event, if the Borrower has not in fact made such payment, then each of the Appropriate Lenders or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand the amount so distributed to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, in immediately available funds with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is distributed to it to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at the greater of the Federal Funds Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation.

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

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

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

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

(f) <u>Pro Rata Treatment</u>. Except to the extent otherwise provided herein: (i) each Borrowing (other than Swingline Borrowings) shall be made from the Appropriate Lenders, each payment of fees under Section 2.09 and 2.03(h) and (i) shall be made for account of the Appropriate Lenders, and each termination or reduction of the amount of the Commitments shall be applied to the respective Commitments of the Lenders, pro rata according to the amounts of their respective Commitments; (ii) each Borrowing shall be allocated pro rata among the Lenders according to the amounts of their respective Commitments (in the case of the making of Revolving Loans) or their respective Loans that are to be included in such Borrowing (in the case of conversions and continuations of Loans); (iii) each payment or prepayment of principal of Loans by the Borrower shall be made for account of the Appropriate Lenders pro rata in accordance with the respective unpaid principal amounts of the Loans held by them; and (iv) each payment of interest on Loans by the Borrower shall be made for account of the Appropriate Lenders pro rata in accordance with the amounts of interest on such Loans then due and payable to the respective Appropriate Lenders.

2.13 Sharing of Payments by Lenders.

If any Lender shall, by exercising any right of setoff or counterclaim or otherwise, obtain payment in respect of (a) Obligations in respect of the Revolving Facility due and payable to such Lender hereunder and under the other Loan Documents at such time in excess of its ratable share (according to the proportion of (i) the amount of such Obligations due and payable to such Lender at such time to (ii) the aggregate amount of the Obligations in respect of the Revolving Facility due and payable to all Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Documents at such time) of payments on account of the Obligations in respect of the Revolving Facility due and payable to all Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Documents at such time obtained by all the Lenders at such time or (b) Obligations in respect of any of the Revolving Facility owing (but not due and payable) to such Lender the other Loan Documents at such time in excess of its ratable share (according to the proportion of (i) the amount of such Obligations owing (but not due and payable) to such Lender at such time to (ii) the aggregate amount of the Obligations in respect of the Revolving Facility owing (but not due and payable) to all Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Documents at such time to (ii) the aggregate amount of the Obligations in respect of the Revolving Facility owing (but not due and payable) to all Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Documents at such time to (ii) the aggregate amount of the Obligations in respect of the Revolving Facility owing (but not due and payable) to all Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Documents at such time to (ii) adapted by all the Lenders at such time to (ii) the aggregate amount of the Obligations in respect of the Revolving Facility owing (but not due and payable) to all Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Documents at such time other Loan Doc

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

(2) the provisions of this Section shall not be construed to apply to (x) any payment made by or on behalf of the Borrower pursuant to and in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement (including the application of funds arising from the existence of a Defaulting Lender), (y) the application of Cash Collateral provided for in Section 2.14, or (z) any payment obtained by a Lender as consideration for the assignment of or sale of a participation in any of its Revolving Loans or subparticipations in L/C Obligations or Swingline Loans to any assignee or participant, other than an assignment to any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof (as to which the provisions of this Section shall apply).

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

2.14 Cash Collateral.

(a) <u>Certain Credit Support Events</u>. If (i) the L/C Issuer has honored any full or partial drawing request under any Letter of Credit and such drawing has resulted in an L/C Borrowing, (ii) as of the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, any L/C Obligation for any reason remains outstanding, (iii) the Borrower shall be required to provide Cash Collateral pursuant to Section 2.05 or 8.02(c), or (iv) there shall exist a Defaulting Lender, the Borrower shall on the same day (in the case of clause (iii) above) or within one (1) Business Day (in all other cases) following any written request by the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, provide Cash Collateral in an amount not less than the applicable Minimum Collateral Amount (determined in the case of Cash Collateral provided pursuant to clause (iv) above, after giving effect to Section 2.15(a)(iv) and any Cash Collateral provided by the Defaulting Lender).

(b) <u>Grant of Security Interest</u>. The Borrower, and to the extent provided by any Defaulting Lender, such Defaulting Lender, hereby grants to (and subjects to the control of) the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders, and agrees to maintain, a first priority security interest in all such cash, deposit accounts and all balances therein, and all other property so provided as collateral pursuant hereto, and in all proceeds of the foregoing, all as security for the obligations to which such Cash Collateral may be applied pursuant to Section 2.14(c). If at any time the Administrative Agent determines that Cash Collateral is subject to any right or claim of any Person other than the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer as herein provided, or that the total amount of such Cash Collateral is less than the Minimum Collateral Amount, the Borrower will, promptly upon written demand by the Administrative Agent, pay or provide to the Administrative Agent additional Cash Collateral in an amount sufficient to eliminate such deficiency. All Cash Collateral (other than credit support not constituting funds subject to deposit) shall be maintained in one or more blocked, non-interest bearing deposit accounts at Bank of America. The Borrower shall pay on written demand therefor from time to time all customary account opening, activity and other administrative fees and charges in connection with the maintenance and disbursement of Cash Collateral.

(c) <u>Application</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, Cash Collateral provided under any of this Section 2.14 or Sections 2.03, 2.05, 2.15 or 8.02 in respect of Letters of Credit shall be held and applied to the satisfaction of the specific L/C Obligations, obligations to fund participations therein (including, as to Cash Collateral provided by a Revolving Lender that is a Defaulting Lender, any interest accrued on such obligation) and other obligations for which the Cash Collateral was so provided, prior to any other application of such property as may be provided for herein.

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

(e) Release of Lenders' Obligations. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in any other Loan Document, in the event that (i) the L/C Issuer shall have issued, in accordance with Section 2.03(a)(ii)(B), a Letter of Credit with an expiry date occurring after the Letter of Credit Expiration Date and (ii) the Borrower shall have Cash Collateralized the Outstanding Amount of all such L/C Obligations in respect of such Letter of Credit pursuant to Section 2.14(a) above, then, upon the provision of such Cash Collateral and without any further action, each Lender hereunder shall be automatically released from any further obligation to such L/C Issuer in respect of such Letter of Credit, including, without limitation, any obligation of any such Lender to reimburse such L/C Issuer for amounts drawn under such Letter of Credit or to purchase any risk participation therein; provided, however, that all such obligations of each Lender hereunder to such L/C Issuer in respect of such Letter of Credit shall be revived if any Cash Collateral provided by the Borrower in respect of such Letter of Credit is subsequently invalidated, declared to be fraudulent or preferential, set aside or required (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer) to be repaid to a trustee, receiver or any other party, in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Laws or otherwise, all as if such Cash Collateral had not been provided. The obligations of the Lenders under this paragraph shall survive the Facility Termination Date.

2.15 <u>Defaulting Lenders</u>.

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

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

(ij) Defaulting Lender Waterfall. Any payment of principal, interest, fees or other amounts received by the Administrative Agent for the account of such Defaulting Lender (whether voluntary or mandatory, at maturity, pursuant to Article VIII or otherwise) or received by the Administrative Agent from a Defaulting Lender pursuant to Section 11.08 shall be applied at such time or times as may be determined by the Administrative Agent as follows: first, to the payment of any amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender to the Administrative Agent hereunder; second, to the payment on a pro rata basis of any amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender to the L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender hereunder; third, to Cash Collateralize the L/C Issuer's Fronting Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender in accordance with Section 2.14; fourth, as the Borrower may request (so long as no Default or Event of Default exists), to the funding of any Loan in respect of which such Defaulting Lender has failed to fund its portion thereof as required by this Agreement, as determined by the Administrative Agent; fifth, if so determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to be held in a deposit account and released pro rata in order to (A) satisfy such Defaulting Lender's potential future funding obligations with respect to Loans under this Agreement and (B) Cash Collateralize the L/C Issuer's future Fronting Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender with respect to future Letters of Credit issued under this Agreement, in accordance with Section 2.14; sixth, to the payment of any amounts owing to the Lenders, the L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender as a result of any judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction obtained by any Lender, the L/C Issuer or the Swingline Lender against such Defaulting Lender as a result of such Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; seventh, so long as no Default or Event of Default exists, to the payment of any amounts owing to the Borrower as a result of any judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction obtained by the Borrower against such Defaulting Lender as a result of such Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; and eighth, to such Defaulting Lender or as otherwise as may be required under the Loan Documents in connection with any Lien conferred thereunder or directed by a court of competent jurisdiction; provided that if (1) such payment is a payment of the principal amount of any Loans or L/C Borrowings in respect of which such Defaulting Lender has not fully funded its appropriate share, and (2) such Loans were made or the related Letters of Credit were issued at a time when the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 were satisfied or waived, such payment shall be applied solely to pay the Loans of, and L/C Obligations owed to, all Non-Defaulting Lenders on a pro rata basis prior to being applied to the payment of any Loans of, or L/C Obligations owed to, such Defaulting Lender until such time as all Loans and funded and unfunded participations in L/C Obligations and Swingline Loans are held by the Lenders pro rata in accordance with the Commitments hereunder without giving effect to Section 2.15(a) (iv). Any payments, prepayments or other amounts paid or payable to a Defaulting Lender that are applied (or held) to pay amounts owed by a Defaulting Lender or to post Cash Collateral pursuant to this Section 2.15(a)(ii) shall be deemed paid to and redirected by such Defaulting Lender, and each Lender irrevocably consents hereto.

(iii) <u>Certain Fees</u>.

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

(B) <u>Letter of Credit Fees</u>. Each Defaulting Lender shall be entitled to receive Letter of Credit Fees for any period during which that Lender is a Defaulting Lender only to the extent allocable to its Applicable Revolving Percentage of the stated amount of Letters of Credit for which it has provided Cash Collateral pursuant to Section 2.14.

(C) <u>Defaulting Lender Fees</u>. With respect to any fee payable under Section 2.09(a) or any Letter of Credit Fee not required to be paid to any Defaulting Lender pursuant to clause (A) or (B) above, the Borrower shall (1) pay to each Non-Defaulting Lender that portion of any such fee otherwise payable to such Defaulting Lender with respect to such Defaulting Lender pursuant to clause (iv) below, (2) pay to the L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender, as applicable, the amount of any such fee otherwise payable to such Defaulting Lender's Fronting Exposure to such Defaulting Lender, and (3) not be required to pay the remaining amount of any such fee.

(iv) <u>Reallocation of Applicable Revolving Percentages to Reduce Fronting Exposure</u>. All or any part of such Defaulting Lender's participation in L/C Obligations and Swingline Loans shall be reallocated among the Non-Defaulting Lenders in accordance with their respective Applicable Revolving Percentages (calculated without regard to such Defaulting Lender's Revolving Commitment) but only to the extent that such reallocation does not cause the aggregate Revolving Exposure of any Non-Defaulting Lender to exceed such Non-Defaulting Lender's Revolving Commitment. Subject to Section 11.20, no reallocation hereunder shall constitute a waiver or release of any claim of any party hereunder against a Defaulting Lender arising from that Lender having become a Defaulting Lender, including any claim of a Non-Defaulting Lender as a result of such Non-Defaulting Lender's increased exposure following such reallocation.

(v) <u>Cash Collateral, Repayment of Swingline Loans</u>. If the reallocation described in clause (a)(iv) above cannot, or can only partially, be effected, the Borrower shall, without prejudice to any right or remedy available to it hereunder or under applicable Law, (A) first, prepay Swingline Loans in an amount equal to the Swingline Lender's Fronting Exposure and (B) second, Cash Collateralize the L/C Issuer's Fronting Exposure in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 2.14.

(b) Defaulting Lender Cure. If the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, Swingline Lender and the L/C Issuer agree in writing that a Lender is no longer a Defaulting Lender, the Administrative Agent will so notify the parties hereto, whereupon as of the effective date specified in such notice and subject to any conditions set forth therein (which may include arrangements with respect to any Cash Collateral), that Lender will, to the extent applicable, purchase at par that portion of outstanding Loans of the other Lenders or take such other actions as the Administrative Agent may determine to be necessary to cause the Loans and funded and unfunded participations in Letters of Credit and Swingline Loans to be held on a pro rata basis by the Lenders in accordance with their Applicable Percentages (without giving effect to Section 2.15(a)(iv)), whereupon such Lender will cease to be a Defaulting Lender; <u>provided</u> that no adjustments will be made retroactively with respect to fees accrued or payments made by or on behalf of the Borrower while that Lender was a Defaulting Lender; and <u>provided</u>, further, that except to the extent otherwise expressly agreed by the affected parties, no change hereunder from Defaulting Lender to Lender will constitute a waiver or release of any claim of any party hereunder arising from that Lender's having been a Defaulting Lender.

2.16 Increase in Commitments.

(a) <u>Increase in Revolving Facility</u>.

(i) Provided there exists no Default or Event of Default, upon notice to the Administrative Agent (which shall promptly notify the Revolving Lenders), the Borrower may from time to time after the Closing Date, request an increase in the Revolving Facility by an aggregate amount (for all such requests) not to exceed \$50,000,000 (any such increase in the Revolving Facility, an "<u>Incremental Revolving Facility</u>"); <u>provided</u> that (i) any such request for an Incremental Revolving Facility shall be in a minimum amount of \$10,000,000, and in increments of \$5,000,000 in excess thereof, or, if less, the entire remaining amount available for such Incremental Revolving Facility, (ii) in no event shall the Revolving Facility (after giving effect to all requested increases therein) exceed \$100,000,000, and (iii) the Borrower may only make a maximum of five (5) requests for an increase of the Revolving Facility during the term of this Agreement. At the time of sending such notice, the Borrower (in consultation with the Administrative Agent) shall specify the time period within which each Revolving Lender is requested to respond (which shall in no event be less than ten (10) Business Days from the date of delivery of such notice to the Revolving Lenders).

(ii) <u>Revolving Lender Elections to Increase</u>. Each Revolving Lender shall notify the Administrative Agent within such time period whether or not it agrees to increase its Revolving Commitment and, if so, whether by an amount equal to, greater than, or less than its Applicable Percentage of such requested increase. Any Revolving Lender not responding within such time period shall be deemed to have declined to increase its Revolving Commitment.

(iii) <u>Notification by Administrative Agent; Additional Revolving Lenders</u>. The Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrower and each Revolving Lender of the Revolving Lenders' responses to each request made hereunder. To achieve the full amount of a requested increase (to the extent the existing Revolving Lenders' not agree to provide the entire amount of the requested increase), and subject to the approval of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Swingline Lender, the Borrower may also invite additional Eligible Assignees to become Revolving Lenders (together with any existing Revolving Lender participating in such increase, each, an "<u>Increasing Revolving Lender</u>") pursuant to a joinder agreement in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and its counsel. Nothing contained herein shall constitute, or otherwise be deemed to be, a commitment on the part of any Revolving Lender to participate in any increase in the Revolving Facility.

(iv) <u>Effective Date and Allocations</u>. If the Revolving Facility is increased in accordance with this Section, the Administrative Agent and the Borrower shall determine (x) the effective date of any such increase (the "<u>Revolving Facility Increase</u> <u>Effective Date</u>") and (y) the final allocation of such increase among the Increasing Revolving Lenders and <u>Schedule 1.01(b)</u> attached hereto shall be automatically updated to reflect the same. The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Revolving Lenders of the final allocation of such increase and the Revolving Facility Increase Effective Date.

(b) <u>Conditions to Effectiveness of Increase</u>. As a condition precedent to each such increase in the Revolving Facility pursuant to this Section 2.16:

(i) as of the Revolving Increase Effective Date, before and after giving effect to such increase, (A) no Default or Event of Default shall then exist or would exist after giving effect thereto, (B) the Loan Parties shall demonstrate to the reasonable satisfaction of the Administrative Agent that, after giving effect to such increase on a Pro Forma Basis, the Loan Parties are in Pro Forma Compliance, including without limitation with the financial covenants set forth in Section 7.11, calculated using the same Measurement Period used to determine Pro Forma Compliance, and (C) the representations and warranties contained in <u>Article V</u> and each other Loan Documents shall be true and correct in all material respects (or in the case of a representation or warranty that is already subject to a materiality condition, in all respects), except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they shall be true and correct in all material respects (or in the case of a representation or warranty that is already subject to a materiality condition, in all respects) as of such earlier date, and except that for purposes of this <u>Section 2.16</u>, the representations and warranties contained in <u>clauses (a)</u> and (b) of <u>Section 5.05</u> shall be deemed to refer to the most recent statements furnished pursuant to <u>clauses (a)</u> and (b), respectively, of <u>Section 6.01</u>.

(ii) the Borrower shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate of each Loan Party dated as of the Revolving Facility Increase Effective Date, signed by a Responsible Officer of such Loan Party (x) certifying and attaching the resolutions adopted by such Loan Party approving or consenting to such increase, and (y) certifying (and attaching calculations, as appropriate, in reasonable detail necessary to demonstrate) that, before and after giving effect to such increase each, of the conditions set forth in <u>clause (i)</u> above are satisfied; and

(iii) the Borrower shall have delivered, or cause to be delivered, any other customary documents (including, without limitation, legal opinions) as reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent in connection with each such increase in the Revolving Facility.

The Borrower shall prepay any Revolving Loans outstanding on the Revolving Increase Effective Date (and pay any additional amounts required pursuant to Section 3.05) to the extent necessary to keep the outstanding Revolving Loans ratable with any revised Applicable Revolving Percentages arising from any nonratable increase in the Revolving Commitments under this Section 2.16.

(c) <u>Terms of Increase</u>. Any increase in the Revolving Facility shall be made on the same terms (including, without limitation, interest, payment, amortization and maturity terms), and shall be subject to the same conditions as existing Revolving Commitments except customary arrangement or commitment fees payable to the Arranger or one or more Increasing Revolver Lenders may be different from those paid with respect to the existing Commitments of the existing Lenders on or prior to the Closing Date or with respect to any other Increasing Revolver Lender in connection with any other increase in the Revolving Facility pursuant to this Section 2.16.

(d)

ARTICLE III

TAXES, YIELD PROTECTION AND ILLEGALITY

3.01 <u>Taxes</u>.

(a) <u>Payments Free of Taxes; Obligation to Withhold; Payments on Account of Taxes</u>.

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

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

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

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

(c) <u>Tax Indemnifications</u>.

(i) Each of the Loan Parties shall, and does hereby, jointly and severally indemnify each Recipient, and shall make payment in respect thereof within ten (10) days after demand therefor, for the full amount of any Indemnified Taxes (including Indemnified Taxes imposed or asserted on or attributable to amounts payable under this Section 3.01) payable or paid by such Recipient or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to such Recipient, and any penalties, interest and reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Indemnified Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to the Borrower by a Lender or the L/C Issuer (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), or by the Administrative Agent on its own behalf or on behalf of a Lender or the L/C Issuer, shall be conclusive absent manifest error. Each of the Loan Parties shall also, and does hereby, jointly and severally indemnify the Administrative Agent, and shall make payment in respect thereof within ten (10) days after demand therefor, for any amount which a Lender or the L/C Issuer for any reason fails to pay indefeasibly to the Administrative Agent as required pursuant to Section 3.01(c)(ii) below.

(ii) Each Lender and the L/C Issuer shall, and does hereby, severally indemnify and shall make payment in respect thereof within ten (10) days after demand therefor, (A) the Administrative Agent against any Indemnified Taxes attributable to such Lender or the L/C Issuer (but only to the extent that any Loan Party has not already indemnified the Administrative Agent for such Indemnified Taxes and without limiting the obligation of the Loan Parties to do so), (B) the Administrative Agent and the Loan Parties, as applicable, against any Taxes attributable to such Lender's failure to comply with the provisions of Section 11.06(d) relating to the maintenance of a Participant Register and (C) the Administrative Agent and the Loan Parties, as applicable, against any Excluded Taxes attributable to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, in each case, that are payable or paid by the Administrative Agent or a Loan Party in connection with any Loan Document, and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to any Lender by the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to set off and apply any and all amounts at any time owing to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, is the case may be, under this Agreement or any other Loan Document against any amount due to the Administrative Agent under this clause (ii).

(d) <u>Evidence of Payments</u>. As soon as practicable after any payment of Taxes by any Loan Party to a Governmental Authority, as provided in this Section 3.01, the Borrower shall deliver to the Administrative Agent the original or a certified copy of a receipt issued by such Governmental Authority evidencing such payment, a copy of any return reporting such payment or other evidence of such payment reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

(e) <u>Status of Lenders; Tax Documentation</u>.

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

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

(A) any Lender that is a U.S. Person shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent on or prior to the date on which such Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower or the Administrative Agent), executed copies of IRS Form W-9 certifying that such Lender is exempt from U.S. federal backup withholding tax;

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

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

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

(3) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of the exemption for portfolio interest under Section 881(c) of the Code, (x) a certificate substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit K-1</u> to the effect that such Foreign Lender is not a "bank" within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code, a "10 percent shareholder" of the Borrower within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(B) of the Code, or a "controlled foreign corporation" described in Section 881(c) (3)(C) of the Code (a "<u>U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate</u>") and (y) executed copies of IRS Form W-8BEN-E (or W-8BEN, as applicable); or

(4) to the extent a Foreign Lender is not the beneficial owner, executed copies of IRS Form W-8IMY, accompanied by IRS Form W-8ECI, IRS Form W-8BEN-E (or W-8BEN, as applicable), a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit K-2</u> or <u>Exhibit K-3</u>, IRS Form W-9, and/or other certification documents from each beneficial owner, as applicable; provided that if the Foreign Lender is a partnership and one or more direct or indirect partners of such Foreign Lender are claiming the portfolio interest exemption, such Foreign Lender may provide a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit K-4</u> on behalf of each such direct and indirect partner;

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

(D) if a payment made to a Lender under any Loan Document would be subject to U.S. federal withholding Tax imposed by FATCA if such Lender were to fail to comply with the applicable reporting requirements of FATCA (including those contained in Section 1471(b) or 1472(b) of the Code, as applicable), such Lender shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent at the time or times prescribed by law and at such time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent such documentation prescribed by applicable Law (including as prescribed by Section 1471(b)(3)(C)(i) of the Code) and such additional documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent as may be necessary for the Borrower and the Administrative Agent to comply with their obligations under FATCA and to determine that such Lender has complied with such Lender's obligations under FATCA or to determine the amount to deduct and withhold from such payment. Solely for purposes of this clause (D), "FATCA" shall include any amendments made to FATCA after the date of this Agreement.

(iii) Each Lender agrees that if any form or certification it previously delivered pursuant to this Section 3.01 expires or becomes obsolete or inaccurate in any respect, it shall update such form or certification or promptly notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in writing of its legal inability to do so.

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

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

3.02 <u>Illegality</u>.

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

3.03 <u>Inability to Determine Rates</u>.

(a) If in connection with any request for a Eurodollar Rate Loan or a conversion to or continuation thereof, (i) the Administrative Agent determines that (A) Dollar deposits are not being offered to banks in the London interbank eurodollar market for the applicable amount and Interest Period of such Eurodollar Rate Loan, or (B) adequate and reasonable means do not exist for determining the Eurodollar Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurodollar Rate Loan or in connection with an existing or proposed Base Rate Loan (in each case with respect to clause (i), "Impacted Loans"), or (ii) the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders determine that for any reason Eurodollar Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurodollar Rate Loan does not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Lenders of funding such Loan, the Administrative Agent will promptly so notify the Borrower and each Lender. Thereafter, (x) the obligation of the Lenders to make or maintain Eurodollar Rate Loans shall be suspended (to the extent of the affected Eurodollar Rate Loans or Interest Periods), and (y) in the event of a determination described in the preceding sentence with respect to the Eurodollar Rate component of the Base Rate, the utilization of the Eurodollar Rate component in determining the Base Rate shall be suspended, in each case until the Administrative Agent (upon the instruction of the Required Lenders) revokes such notice. Upon receipt of such notice, the Borrower may revoke any pending request for a Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of Eurodollar Rate Loans (to the extent of the affected Eurodollar Rate Loans or Interest Periods) or, failing that, will be deemed to have converted such request into a request for a Borrowing of Base Rate Loans in the amount specified therein.

(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Administrative Agent has made the determination described in clause (a)(i) of this Section, the Administrative Agent, in consultation with the Borrower and the Required Lenders, may establish an alternative interest rate for the Impacted Loans, in which case, such alternative rate of interest shall apply with respect to the Impacted Loans until (1) the Administrative Agent revokes the notice delivered with respect to the Impacted Loans under clause (a)(i) of this Section, (2) the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders notify the Administrative Agent and the Borrower that such alternative interest rate does not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Lenders of funding the Impacted Loans, or (3) any Lender determines that any Law has made it unlawful, or that any Governmental Authority has asserted that it is unlawful, for such Lender or its applicable Lending Office to make, maintain or fund Loans whose interest is determined by reference to such alternative rate of interest or to determine or charge interest rates based upon such rate or any Governmental Authority has imposed material restrictions on the authority of such Lender to do any of the foregoing and provides the Administrative Agent and the Borrower written notice thereof.

3.04 Increased Costs; Reserves on Eurodollar Rate Loans.

(a) <u>Increased Costs Generally</u>. If any Change in Law shall:

(i) impose, modify or deem applicable any reserve, special deposit, compulsory loan, insurance charge or similar requirement against assets of, deposits with or for the account of, or credit extended or participated in by, any Lender (except any reserve requirement contemplated by Section 3.04(d)) or the L/C Issuer;

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

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

and the result of any of the foregoing shall be to increase the cost to such Lender of making, converting to, continuing or maintaining any Loan (or of maintaining its obligation to make any such Loan), or to increase the cost to such Lender or the L/C Issuer of participating in, issuing or maintaining any Letter of Credit (or of maintaining its obligation to participate in or to issue any Letter of Credit), or to reduce the amount of any sum received or receivable by such Lender or the L/C Issuer hereunder (whether of principal, interest or any other amount) then, upon request of such Lender or the L/C Issuer, the Borrower will pay to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, for such additional costs incurred or reduction suffered.

(b) <u>Capital Requirements</u>. If any Lender or the L/C Issuer determines that any Change in Law affecting such Lender or the L/C Issuer or any Lending Office of such Lender or such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company, if any, regarding capital or liquidity requirements has or would have the effect of reducing the rate of return on such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's capital or on the capital of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company, if any, as a consequence of this Agreement, the Commitments of such Lender or the Loans made by, or participations in Letters of Credit or Swingline Loans held by, such Lender, or the Letters of Credit issued by the L/C Issuer, to a level below that which such Lender or the L/C Issuer's not Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company with respect to capital adequacy), then from time to time the Borrower will pay to such Lender or the L/C Issuer's holding company for any such reduction suffered.

(c) <u>Certificates for Reimbursement</u>. A certificate of a Lender or the L/C Issuer setting forth the amount or amounts necessary to compensate such Lender or the L/C Issuer or its holding company, as the case may be, as specified in subsection (a) or (b) of this Section and delivered to the Borrower shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The Borrower shall pay such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, the amount shown as due on any such certificate within ten (10) days after receipt thereof.

(d) <u>Reserves on Eurodollar Rate Loans</u>. The Borrower shall pay to each Lender, (i) as long as such Lender shall be required to maintain reserves with respect to liabilities or assets consisting of or including eurocurrency funds or deposits (currently known as "Eurocurrency liabilities"), additional interest on the unpaid principal amount of each Eurodollar Rate Loan equal to the actual costs of such reserves allocated to such Londer shall be required to comply with any reserve ratio requirement or analogous requirement of any central banking or financial regulatory authority imposed in respect of the maintenance of the Commitments or the funding of the Loans, such additional costs (expressed as a percentage per annum and rounded upwards, if necessary, to the nearest five decimal places) equal to the actual costs allocated to such Commitment or Loan by such Lender (as determined by such Lender in good faith, which determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error), which in each case shall be due and payable on each date on which interest is payable on such Loan, provided the Borrower shall have received at least ten (10) days prior notice (with a copy to the Administrative Agent) of such additional interest or costs from such Lender. If a Lender fails to give notice ten (10) days prior to the relevant Interest Payment Date, such additional interest shall be due and payable ten (10) days from receipt of such notice.

(e) <u>Delay in Requests</u>. Failure or delay on the part of any Lender or the L/C Issuer to demand compensation pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section 3.04 shall not constitute a waiver of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's right to demand such compensation, provided that the Borrower shall not be required to compensate a Lender or the L/C Issuer pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section for any increased costs incurred or reductions suffered more than nine (9) months prior to the date that such Lender's or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, notifies the Borrower of the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions and of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's intention to claim compensation therefor (except that, if the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions is retroactive, then the nine (9) month period referred to above shall be extended to include the period of retroactive effect thereof).

3.05 <u>Compensation for Losses</u>.

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

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

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

(c) any assignment of a Eurodollar Rate Loan on a day other than the last day of the Interest Period therefor as a result of a request by the Borrower pursuant to Section 11.13;

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

For purposes of calculating amounts payable by the Borrower to the Lenders under this Section 3.05, each Lender shall be deemed to have funded each Eurodollar Rate Loan made by it at the Eurodollar Rate for such Loan by a matching deposit or other borrowing in the London interbank eurodollar market for a comparable amount and for a comparable period, whether or not such Eurodollar Rate Loan was in fact so funded.

3.06 <u>Mitigation Obligations; Replacement of Lenders</u>.

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

(b) <u>Replacement of Lenders</u>. If any Lender requests compensation under Section 3.04, or if the Borrower is required to pay any Indemnified Taxes or additional amounts to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 3.01 and, in each case, such Lender has declined or is unable to designate a different lending office in accordance with Section 3.06(a), the Borrower may replace such Lender in accordance with Section 11.13.

3.07 <u>Survival</u>.

All of the Borrower's obligations under this Article III and the Lenders' obligations under Section 3.01(c)(ii) shall, in each case, survive termination of the Aggregate Commitments, repayment of all other Obligations hereunder, resignation of the Administrative Agent and the Facility Termination Date.

ARTICLE IV

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO CREDIT EXTENSIONS

4.01 <u>Conditions of Initial Credit Extension</u>.

The obligation of the L/C Issuer and each Lender to make its initial Credit Extension hereunder is subject to satisfaction of the following conditions precedent (in each case, subject to Section 6.19):

(a) <u>Execution of Credit Agreement; Loan Documents</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received (i) counterparts of this Agreement, executed by a Responsible Officer of each Loan Party and a duly authorized officer of each Lender, (ii) for the account of each Lender requesting a Note, a Note executed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower, (iii) counterparts of the Security Agreement, each Mortgage (if any) and any related Mortgaged Property Support Document (if any) and each other Collateral Document, executed by a Responsible Officer of each other Person party thereto, as applicable and (iv) counterparts of any other Loan Document, executed by a Responsible Officer of the applicable Loan Party and a duly authorized officer of each other Person party thereto, as applicable and (iv) counterparts of any other Loan Document, executed by a Responsible Officer of the applicable Loan Party and a duly authorized officer of each other Person party thereto, each of which shall be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, the Arranger and each of the Lenders.

(b) Officer's Certificate. The Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate of a Responsible Officer of each Loan Party dated as of the Closing Date, certifying as to the Organization Documents of such Loan Party (which, to the extent filed with a Governmental Authority, shall be certified as of a recent date by such Governmental Authority), the resolutions of the governing body of such Loan Party, the good standing, existence or its equivalent of such Loan Party and of the incumbency (including specimen signatures) of the Responsible Officers of such Loan Party, each in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

(c) <u>Legal Opinions of Counsel</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received a favorable opinion of K&L Gates LLP, counsel for the Loan Parties, dated as of the Closing Date and addressed to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, covering such matters relating to the Loan Documents and the transactions contemplated thereby as the Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall reasonably request.

(d) <u>Financial Statements</u>. The Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall have received copies of the financial statements referred to in Section 5.05, each in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to each of them.

(e) <u>Personal Property Collateral</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received, in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent:

(i) (A) searches of UCC filings in the jurisdiction of incorporation or formation, as applicable, of each Loan Party and each jurisdiction where any Collateral is located or where a filing would need to be made in order to perfect the Administrative Agent's security interest in the Collateral, copies of the financing statements on file in such jurisdictions and evidence that no Liens exist other than Permitted Liens and (B) tax lien, judgment and litigation searches;

(ii) [reserved];

(iii) completed UCC financing statements for each appropriate jurisdiction as is necessary, in the Administrative Agent's sole discretion, to perfect the Administrative Agent's security interest in the Collateral;

(iv) stock or membership certificates, if any, evidencing the Pledged Equity and undated stock or transfer powers duly executed in blank; in each case to the extent such Pledged Equity is certificated;

(v) [reserved];

(vi) to the extent required to be delivered, filed, registered or recorded pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Collateral Documents, all instruments, documents and chattel paper in the possession of any of the Loan Parties, together with allonges or assignments as may be necessary or appropriate to create and perfect the Administrative Agent's and the Lenders' security interest in the Collateral;

(vii) Qualifying Control Agreements satisfactory to the Administrative Agent to the extent required to be delivered pursuant to Section 6.14; and

(viii) evidence satisfactory to the Administrative Agent that (x) all other actions that the Administrative Agent may deem necessary or desirable in order to perfect the Liens created under the Security Agreement have been taken (including receipt of duly executed payoff letters, UCC-3 termination statements, and bailee waivers and consent agreements) and (y) all filing and recording fees and taxes shall have been duly paid.

(f) <u>Liability, Casualty, Property, Terrorism and Business Interruption Insurance</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received copies of insurance policies, declaration pages, certificates, and endorsements of insurance or insurance binders evidencing liability, casualty, property, terrorism and business interruption insurance meeting the requirements set forth herein or in the Collateral Documents or as required by the Administrative Agent. The Loan Parties shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent an Authorization to Share Insurance Information.

(g) <u>Solvency Certificate</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received a Solvency Certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower as to the financial condition, Solvency and related matters of (x) the Borrower, individually and (y) the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, in each case, after giving effect to the initial borrowings under the Loan Documents and the other transactions contemplated hereby.

(h) Officer's Certificate; Compliance Certificate; Perfection Certificate. The Administrative Agent shall have received (i) a certificate or certificates executed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower as of the Closing Date, certifying as to the matters set forth in clauses (j) and (k) of this Section 4.01 and the matters set forth in Section 4.02(a) and (b), (ii) a Compliance Certificate dated as of the Closing Date, setting forth calculations demonstrating that (on a Pro Forma Basis) after giving effect to the incurrence of Indebtedness under the Loan Documents, the borrowing of Loans to be made on the Closing Date and the other transactions occurring on the Closing Date, that the Borrower is in Pro Forma Compliance with the financial covenants set forth in Section 7.11, (iii) the Perfection Certificate executed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower as true and complete, of all Material Contracts, together with all exhibits and schedules.

(i) <u>Loan Notice</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received a Loan Notice with respect to the Loans to be made on the Closing Date.

(j) <u>Existing Indebtedness of the Loan Parties</u>. All of the existing Indebtedness for borrowed money of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (other than Indebtedness permitted to exist pursuant to Section 7.02) shall be repaid in full and all security interests related thereto shall be terminated substantially concurrently with the Closing Date.

(k) <u>Material Adverse Effect</u>. (i) There shall have been no event or circumstance since the date of the Audited Financial Statements that has had or could be reasonably expected to have, either individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect and (ii) there shall exist no action, suit, investigation or proceeding pending or, to the actual knowledge of the Loan Parties, threatened in writing in any court or before any arbitrator or governmental authority that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(l) <u>Consents</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate of a Responsible Officer of each Loan Party either (A) attaching copies of all consents, licenses and approvals required in connection with the execution, delivery and performance by such Loan Party and the validity against such Loan Party of the Loan Documents to which it is a party, and such consents, licenses and approvals shall be in full force and effect, or (B) stating that no such consents, licenses or approvals are so required, in each case, excluding the consents of the board of directors (or equivalent governing body) that will be attached to the Officer's Certificates referenced in Section 4.01(h).

(m) <u>Fees and Expenses</u>. The Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the Arranger shall have received all fees and out-of-pocket expenses (including the reasonable fees and out-of-pocket expenses of outside counsel (including any local counsel) for the Administrative Agent), if any, owing pursuant to the Fee Letter, Section 2.09 and the other Loan Documents; <u>provided</u> that in the case of any such expenses, such expenses shall be invoiced at least two (2) business days prior to the Closing Date.

(n) <u>Due Diligence</u>. The Lenders and the Administrative Agent shall have completed a due diligence investigation of the Borrower, the other Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries and Affiliates, including customary "know your customer", PATRIOT Act, sanctions, OFAC, and FCPA diligence, in scope, and with results, satisfactory to the Administrative Agent. The Loan Parties shall have provided to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders the documentation and other information requested by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders in order to comply with applicable law, including without limitation, the PATRIOT Act.

(o) <u>Other Documents</u>. All other documents provided for herein or which the Administrative Agent or any other Lender may reasonably request or require.

(p) <u>Additional Information</u>. Such additional information and materials which the Administrative Agent and/or any Lender shall reasonably request or require.

Without limiting the generality of the provisions of the last paragraph of Section 9.03, for purposes of determining compliance with the conditions specified in this Section, each Lender that has signed this Agreement shall be deemed to have consented to, approved or accepted or to be satisfied with, each document or other matter required thereunder to be consented to or approved by or acceptable or satisfactory to a Lender unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from such Lender prior to the proposed Closing Date specifying its objection thereto.

4.02 <u>Conditions to all Credit Extensions</u>.

The obligation of each Lender and the L/C Issuer to honor any Request for Credit Extension (other than a Loan Notice requesting only a conversion of Loans to the other Type, or a continuation of Eurodollar Rate Loans) is subject to the following conditions precedent:

(a) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. The representations and warranties of the Borrower and each other Loan Party contained in Article II, Article V or any other Loan Document, or which are contained in any document furnished at any time under or in connection herewith or therewith, shall (i) with respect to representations and warranties that contain a materiality qualification, be true and correct on and as of the date of such Credit Extension (except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they shall be true and correct as of such earlier date) and (ii) with respect to representations and warranties and warranties that do not contain a materiality qualification, be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date of such Credit Extension (except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they shall be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date of such Credit Extension (except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date), and except that for purposes of this Section 4.02, the representations and warranties contained in Sections 5.05(a) and (b) shall be deemed to refer to the most recent statements furnished pursuant to Sections 6.01(a) and (b), respectively.

(b) <u>Default</u>. No Default or Event of Default shall exist, or would result from such proposed Credit Extension or from the application of the proceeds thereof.

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

Each Request for Credit Extension (other than a Loan Notice requesting only a conversion of Loans to the other Type, or a continuation of Eurodollar Rate Loans) submitted by the Borrower shall be deemed to be a representation and warranty that the conditions specified in Sections 4.02(a) and (b) have been satisfied on and as of the date of the applicable Credit Extension.

ARTICLE V

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Each Loan Party represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, as of the date made or deemed made, that:

5.01 Existence, Qualification and Power.

Each Loan Party and each of its Subsidiaries (a) is duly organized or formed, validly existing and, as applicable, in good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization, (b) has all requisite power and authority and all requisite governmental licenses, authorizations, consents and approvals to (i) own or lease its assets and carry on its business and (ii) execute, deliver and perform its obligations under the Loan Documents to which it is a party, and (c) is duly qualified and is licensed and, as applicable, in good standing under the Laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership, lease or operation of properties or the conduct of its business requires such qualification or license; except in each case referred to in clause (b)(i) or (c), to the extent that failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.02 <u>Authorization; No Contravention</u>.

The execution, delivery and performance by each Loan Party of each Loan Document to which such Person is or is to be a party have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or other organizational action, and do not and will not (a) contravene the terms of any of such Person's Organization Documents; (b) result in the imposition or the creation of any Lien (other than any Liens permitted pursuant to the terms of this Agreement) on any asset of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of a Loan Party, (c) conflict with or result in any breach or contravention, of or require any payment to be made under (i) any Contractual Obligation to which such Person is a party or affecting such Person or the properties of such Person or any of its Subsidiaries, except, in each case, to the extent that any such conflict, breach, contravention or requirement of payment could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect or (ii) any order, injunction, writ or decree of any Governmental Authority or any arbitral award to which such Person or its property is subject; or (d) violate any Law in any material respect.

5.03 Governmental Authorization; Other Consents.

No approval, consent, exemption, authorization, or other action by, or notice to, or filing with, any Governmental Authority or any other Person is necessary or required in connection with (a) the execution, delivery or performance by, or enforcement against, any Loan Party of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (b) the grant by any Loan Party of the Liens granted by it pursuant to the Collateral Documents, (c) the perfection or maintenance of the Liens created under the Collateral Documents (including the first priority nature thereof, subject only to non-consensual Permitted Liens having priority as a matter of law) or (d) the exercise by the Administrative Agent or any Lender of its rights under the Loan Documents or the remedies in respect of the Collateral pursuant to the Collateral Documents, other than (i) authorizations, approvals, actions, notices and filings which have been duly obtained and which are in full force and effect and (ii) filings (which filings and other actions have either (x) been made or taken, as applicable, on or prior to the Closing Date or (y) are being (or, will be) made in accordance with the terms of the Loan Documents) to perfect the Liens created by the Collateral Documents.

5.04 <u>Binding Effect</u>.

This Agreement has been, and each other Loan Document, when delivered hereunder, will have been, duly executed and delivered by each Loan Party that is party thereto. This Agreement constitutes, and each other Loan Document when so delivered will constitute, a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Loan Party, enforceable against each Loan Party that is party thereto in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and subject to general principles of equity.

5.05 <u>Financial Statements; No Material Adverse Effect</u>.

(a) <u>Audited Financial Statements</u>. The Audited Financial Statements (i) were prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the period covered thereby, except as otherwise expressly noted therein; (ii) fairly present the financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the date thereof and their results of operations, cash flows and changes in shareholder's equity for the period covered thereby in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the period covered thereby, except as otherwise expressly noted therein; and (iii) show all material indebtedness and other liabilities, direct or contingent, of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the date thereof, including liabilities for taxes, material commitments and Indebtedness.

(b) <u>Quarterly Financial Statements</u>. The unaudited Consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries dated March 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017, and the related Consolidated statements of income or operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows for the fiscal quarter, as applicable, ended on that date (i) were prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the period covered thereby, except as otherwise expressly noted therein, and (ii) fairly present the financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the date thereof and their results of operations, cash flows and changes in shareholders' equity for the period covered thereby, subject, in the case of clauses (i) and (ii), to the absence of footnotes and to normal year-end audit adjustments.

(c) <u>Material Adverse Effect</u>. Since the date of the balance sheet included in the Audited Financial Statements, there has been no event or circumstance, either individually or in the aggregate, that has had or could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(d) <u>Forecasted Financials</u>. The Consolidated forecasted balance sheets, statements of income and cash flows of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries delivered pursuant to Section 4.01 or Section 6.01 were prepared in good faith on the basis of the assumptions stated therein, which assumptions were fair in light of the conditions existing at the time of delivery of such forecasts, and represented, at the time of delivery, the Borrower's reasonable estimate of its future financial condition and performance (it being understood that such forecasts are subject to uncertainties and contingencies, and that actual results during any period or periods covered thereby may materially differ from the forecasted results).

5.06 <u>Litigation</u>.

There are no actions, suits, proceedings, claims or disputes pending or, to the knowledge of the Loan Parties, after due and diligent investigation, threatened in writing or contemplated in writing, at law, in equity, in arbitration or before any Governmental Authority, by or against any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party or against any of their properties or revenues that (a) purport to affect or pertain to this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any of the transactions contemplated hereby, or (b) either individually or in the aggregate, if determined adversely, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.07 <u>No Default</u>.

Neither any Loan Party nor any Subsidiary thereof is in default under or with respect to, or a party to, any Contractual Obligation that could, either individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. No Default has occurred and is continuing or would result from the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

5.08 <u>Ownership of Property</u>.

Each Loan Party and each of its Subsidiaries has good record and marketable title in fee simple to, or valid leasehold interests in, all real property necessary or used in the ordinary conduct of its business, except for such defects in title as could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.09 Environmental Compliance.

(a) The Loan Parties and their respective Subsidiaries conduct in the ordinary course of business a review of the effect of existing Environmental Laws and claims alleging potential liability or responsibility for violation of any Environmental Law on their respective businesses, operations and properties, and as a result thereof the Loan Parties have reasonably concluded that such Environmental Laws and claims could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 5.09(b)</u>, (i) None of the properties currently or, to the knowledge of the Loan Parties, formerly owned or operated by any Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries is listed or proposed for listing on the NPL or on the CERCLIS or any analogous foreign, state or local list or is adjacent to any such property; (ii) there are no and, to the knowledge of the Loan Parties, never have been any underground or above-ground storage tanks or any surface impoundments, septic tanks, pits, sumps or lagoons in which Hazardous Materials are being or have been treated, stored or disposed on any property currently owned or operated by any Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries; (iii) to the knowledge of the Loan Parties, there is no asbestos or asbestos-containing material on any property currently owned or operated by any Loan Party or disposed of on any property currently owned or operated by any Loan Party or disposed of on any property currently owned or operated by any Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries; (iii) to the knowledge of the Loan Parties, there is no asbestos or asbestos-containing material on any property currently owned or operated by any Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries; (iii) to the knowledge of the Loan Parties, formerly owned or operated by any Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries; and (iv) Hazardous Materials have not been released, discharged or disposed of on any property currently or, to the knowledge of the Loan Parties, formerly owned or operated by any Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries, except to the extent such release, discharge or disposal could not be reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) Neither any Loan Party nor any of their respective Subsidiaries is undertaking, and has not completed, either individually or together with other potentially responsible parties, any investigation or assessment or remedial or response action relating to any actual or threatened release, discharge or disposal of Hazardous Materials at any site, location or operation, either voluntarily or pursuant to the order of any Governmental Authority or the requirements of any Environmental Law; and all Hazardous Materials generated, used, treated, handled or stored at, or transported to or from, any property currently or formerly owned or operated by any Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries have been disposed of in a manner not reasonably expected to result in material liability to any Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries.

5.10 <u>Insurance</u>.

The properties of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries are insured with financially sound and reputable insurance companies not Affiliates of the Borrower, in such amounts, with such deductibles and covering such risks as are customarily carried by companies engaged in similar businesses and owning similar properties in localities where the applicable Loan Party or the applicable Subsidiary operates. Such insurance coverage complies with the requirements set forth in this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

5.11 <u>Taxes</u>.

Each Loan Party and their respective Subsidiaries have filed all federal, state and other material tax returns and reports required to be filed, and have paid all federal, state and other material taxes, assessments, fees and other governmental charges levied or imposed upon them or their properties, income or assets otherwise due and payable, except those which are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted and for which adequate reserves have been provided in accordance with GAAP. There is no proposed tax assessment against any Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries that could, if made, have a Material Adverse Effect, nor is there any tax sharing agreement applicable to any Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries.

5.12 ERISA Compliance.

(a) Each Plan is in compliance in all material respects with the applicable provisions of ERISA, the Code and other federal or state laws. Each Pension Plan that is intended to be a qualified plan under Section 401(a) of the Code has received a favorable determination letter or is subject to a favorable opinion letter from the IRS to the effect that the form of such Plan is qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code and the trust related thereto has been determined by the IRS to be exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(a) of the Code, or an application for such a letter is currently being processed by the IRS. To the best knowledge of the Loan Parties, nothing has occurred that would prevent or cause the loss of such tax-qualified status.

(b) There are no pending or, to the knowledge of the Loan Parties, threatened claims, actions or lawsuits, or action by any Governmental Authority, with respect to any Plan that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. There has been no prohibited transaction or violation of the fiduciary responsibility rules with respect to any Plan that has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) (i) No ERISA Event has occurred, and no Loan Party nor any ERISA Affiliate is aware of any fact, event or circumstance that could reasonably be expected to constitute or result in an ERISA Event with respect to any Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan; (ii) as of the most recent valuation date for any Pension Plan, the funding target attainment percentage (as defined in Section 430(d)(2) of the Code) is 60% or higher and no Loan Party nor any ERISA Affiliate knows of any facts or circumstances that could reasonably be expected to cause the funding target attainment percentage for any such plan to drop below 60% as of the most recent valuation date; (iii) no Loan Party nor any ERISA Affiliate has incurred any liability to the PBGC other than for the payment of premiums, and there are no premium payments which have become due that are unpaid; (iv) neither the Borrower nor any ERISA Affiliate has engaged in a transaction that could be subject to Section 4069 or Section 4212(c) of ERISA; and (v) no Pension Plan has been terminated by the plan administrator thereof nor by the PBGC, and no event or circumstance has occurred or exists that could reasonably be expected to cause the PBGC to institute proceedings under Title IV of ERISA to terminate any Pension Plan.

(d) Neither the Borrower nor any ERISA Affiliate maintains or contributes to, or has any unsatisfied obligation to contribute to, or liability under, any active or terminated Pension Plan other than (i) on the Closing Date, those listed on <u>Schedule 5.12</u> hereto and (ii) thereafter, Pension Plans not otherwise prohibited by this Agreement.

5.13 <u>Margin Regulations; Investment Company Act</u>.

(a) <u>Margin Regulations</u>. The Borrower is not engaged and will not engage, principally or as one of its important activities, in the business of purchasing or carrying margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation U issued by the FRB), or extending credit for the purpose of purchasing or carrying margin stock. Following the application of the proceeds of each Borrowing or drawing under each Letter of Credit, not more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the value of the assets (either of the Borrower only or of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis) subject to the provisions of Section 7.01 or Section 7.05 or subject to any restriction contained in any agreement or instrument between the Borrower and any Lender or any Affiliate of any Lender relating to Indebtedness and within the scope of Section 8.01(e) will be margin stock.

(b) <u>Investment Company Act</u>. None of the Borrower, any Person Controlling the Borrower, or any Subsidiary is or is required to be registered as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

5.14 <u>Disclosure</u>.

The Borrower has disclosed to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders all agreements, instruments and corporate or other restrictions to which it or any of its Subsidiaries or any other Loan Party is subject, and all other matters known to it, that, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. No report, financial statement, certificate or other information furnished (whether in writing or orally) by or on behalf of any Loan Party to the Administrative Agent or any Lender in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby and the negotiation of this Agreement or delivered hereunder or under any other Loan Document (in each case as modified or supplemented by other information so furnished) contains any misstatement of fact or omits to state any fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading in any material respect; <u>provided</u> that, with respect to projected financial information, each Loan Party represents only that such information was prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time (it being understood that such projected financial information).

5.15 <u>Compliance with Laws</u>.

(a) Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary thereof is in compliance with the requirements of all Laws and all orders, writs, injunctions and decrees applicable to it or to its properties, except in such instances in which (a) such requirement of Law or order, writ, injunction or decree is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted or (b) the failure to comply therewith, either individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) No director, manager, officer, employee or any agent of (or any consultant to) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, or any other person authorized to act on behalf of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, has unlawfully offered, paid or agreed to pay, directly or indirectly, any money or anything of value to or for the benefit of any individual who is or was an official or employee or candidate for office of the government of any country or any political subdivision, agency or instrumentality thereof or any employee or agent of any customer or supplier of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary.

(c) Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary thereof is in compliance in all material respects with all applicable Laws, statutes, codes, rules, regulations or ordinances promulgated or enforced by the United States Food and Drug Administration ("<u>FDA</u>") (or analogous foreign, state or local Governmental Authority), having regulatory authority over any Loan Party's or any Subsidiary's products or operations (the "<u>Business</u>"), including, but not limited to, the following: (i) the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, as amended ("<u>FFDCA</u>"), and the regulations promulgated thereunder; (ii) any applicable FDA premarket approval, or 510(k) premarket notification; (iii) the anti-kickback provisions of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7b(b), the Civil Monetary Penalty Statute (42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7a), the Stark Law (42 U.S.C. § 1395nn), the False Claims Act (31 U.S.C. § 3729 et seq.), or has been excluded or threatened with exclusion under state or federal statutes or regulations, including under 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7 or relevant regulations in 42 C.F.R. Part 1001, or assessed or threatened with assessment of civil money penalties pursuant to 42 C.F.R. Part 1001; and (iv) applicable state Laws and regulations governing the distribution of medical devices (collectively, the "<u>Regulatory Laws</u>").

(d) Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary holds all permits, licenses, certificates, consents, product listings, registrations and other authorizations issued by any Governmental Authority necessary and material to operate the Business as currently conducted in compliance with the Regulatory Laws (collectively, the "Permits") and all such Permits are in full force and effect, and none of such Permits have been withdrawn, revoked, suspended or cancelled, and no withdrawal, revocation, suspension or cancellation is pending or threatened in writing, except for any such withdrawal, revocation, suspension or cancellation that has not had and could not reasonably be expected to have, either individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, and each Loan Party and each Subsidiary is in compliance in all material respects with the terms of such Permits and any conditions placed thereon.

(e) No Governmental Authority has issued any written notice, warning letter, untitled letter, FDA Form 483 or other written communication or correspondence in the past five (5) years to any Loan Party or any Subsidiary and/or, to any of such Loan Party's or such Subsidiary's suppliers, contract manufacturers, and/or third-party manufacturers in connection with the Loan Parties' and their Subsidiaries' products alleging that any Loan Party or any Subsidiary and/or any such Loan Party's or such Subsidiary's suppliers, contract manufacturers, and/or third-party manufacturers in connection with the Loan Parties' and their Subsidiaries' products are or were in violation of any Regulatory Law applicable to the Business, or alleging that any Loan Party, any Subsidiary and/or any of such Loan Party's or Subsidiaries' products are or were the subject of any pending, threatened or anticipated administrative agency or Governmental Authority investigation, proceeding, review or inquiry, or that there are circumstances currently existing which might reasonably be expected to lead to any loss of or refusal to renew any Permits.

(f) No Loan Party, nor any Subsidiary nor any employee nor any agent of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary acting on any Loan Party's or any Subsidiary's behalf has made a material untrue statement or fraudulent statement to, or filed a false claim or report with, any Governmental Authority, or failed to disclose a material fact required to be disclosed to any Governmental Authority, or, (solely as it relates to any employee or any agent of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, limited to the knowledge of each Loan Party), has ever been investigated by the FDA (or analogous foreign, state or local Governmental Authority), Office of the Inspector General for the Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Justice or other comparable federal or foreign governmental authority for data or healthcare program fraud.

(g) To the knowledge of each Loan Party, no action, suit, proceeding, hearing, investigation, charge, complaint, claim, demand, data integrity review, or other review or inquiry relating to the Business has been filed, or is pending against any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, and no such action, suit, proceeding, hearing, investigation, charge, complaint, claim or demand is pending or has been threatened in writing, except, in each case, for any such action, suit, proceeding, hearing, investigation, charge, compliant, claim, demand, data integrity review, or other review or inquiry that could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(h) No Loan Party, nor any Subsidiary nor any of their members, managers, officers or employees has been convicted of a crime or engaged in any conduct that has resulted, or would reasonably be expected to result, in debarment under the FFDCA, including 21 U.S.C. §§ 335a, 335b, or 335c. No Loan Party and no Subsidiary of the any Loan Party: (i) is employing or contracting with any person who is currently debarred under the FFDCA; and (ii) is employing or contracting with any person who is the subject of a proceeding that would reasonably be expected to lead to becoming debarred under the FFDCA.

(i) No Loan Party, nor any Subsidiary nor any individual employed by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary is (i) debarred, disqualified, suspended or excluded from participation in Medicare, Medicaid or any other state or federal health care program or is listed on the excluded individuals list published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Inspector General and the System for Award Management's excluded parties data, nor is any such debarment, disqualification, suspension or exclusion threatened or pending, or (ii) convicted of a criminal offense that falls within the scope of 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7b(b) but has not yet been excluded, debarred, suspended or otherwise declared ineligible to participate in any state or federal healthcare program.

(j) There is no pending, proposed or final Medicare national or local coverage determination that, if finalized, would restrict coverage for any Loan Party's or any Subsidiary's products, except for any such determination that could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. Neither any Loan Party nor any Subsidiary of any Loan Party has established any reimbursement support program such that payment for any product is contingent upon a purchaser's receipt of payment from a third party payer. No Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party has or does furnish any coverage, coding, or billing advice to any health care professionals regarding off-label indications of any of its products.

5.16 <u>Solvency</u>.

The Borrower is, individually and together with its Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis, Solvent.

5.17 Casualty, Etc.

Neither the businesses nor the properties of any Loan Party or any of their Subsidiaries are affected by any fire, explosion, accident, strike, lockout or other labor dispute, drought, storm, hail, earthquake, embargo, act of God or of the public enemy or other casualty (whether or not covered by insurance) that, either individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.18 <u>Sanctions Concerns and Anti-Corruption Laws</u>.

(a) <u>Sanctions Concerns</u>. No Loan Party, nor any Subsidiary, nor, to the knowledge of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries, any director, officer, employee, agent, Affiliate or representative thereof, is an individual or entity that is, or is owned or controlled by any individual or entity that is (i) currently the subject or target of any Sanctions, (ii) included on OFAC's List of Specially Designated Nationals, HMT's Consolidated List of Financial Sanctions Targets and the Investment Ban List, or any similar list enforced by any other relevant sanctions authority or (iii) located, organized or resident in a Designated Jurisdiction.

(b) <u>Anti-Corruption Laws</u>. The Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries have conducted their business in compliance with the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, the UK Bribery Act 2010 and other similar anti-corruption legislation in other jurisdictions, and have instituted and maintained policies and procedures designed to promote and achieve compliance with such laws.

5.19 <u>Responsible Officers</u>.

Set forth on <u>Schedule 1.01(c)</u> are Responsible Officers of each Loan Party, holding the offices indicated next to their respective names, as of the Closing Date and as of the last date such Schedule was required to be updated in accordance with Section 6.02 and such Responsible Officers are duly elected and qualified officers of such Loan Party and are duly authorized to execute and deliver, on behalf of the respective Loan Party, this Agreement, the Notes and the other Loan Documents to which such Loan Party is a party.

5.20 <u>Subsidiaries; Equity Interests; Loan Parties</u>.

(a) <u>Subsidiaries, Joint Ventures, Partnerships and Equity Investments</u>. Set forth on <u>Schedule 5.20(a)</u>, is the following information which is true and complete in all respects as of the Closing Date and as of the last date such Schedule was required to be updated in accordance with Section 6.02: (i) a complete and accurate list of all Subsidiaries, joint ventures and partnerships and other equity investments of the Loan Parties as of the Closing Date and as of the last date such Schedule was required to be updated in accordance with Section 6.02, (ii) the number of shares of each class of Equity Interests in each Subsidiary outstanding, (iii) the number and percentage of outstanding shares of each class of Equity Interests owned by the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries and (iv) the class or nature of such Equity Interests (i.e. voting, non-voting, preferred, etc.). The outstanding Equity Interests in all Subsidiaries of the Borrower are validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable and are owned free and clear of all Liens. There are no outstanding subscriptions, options, warrants, calls, rights or other agreements or commitments (other than stock options granted to employees or directors' qualifying shares) of any nature relating to the Equity Interests of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof (other than the Borrower), except as contemplated in connection with the Loan Documents.



(b) Loan Parties. Set forth on Schedule 5.20(b) is a complete and accurate list of all Loan Parties, showing as of the Closing Date, or as of the last date such Schedule was required to be updated in accordance with Section 6.02, (as to each Loan Party) (i) the exact legal name, (ii) any former legal names of such Loan Party in the four (4) months prior to the Closing Date (or as of the last date such Schedule was required to be updated in accordance with Section 6.02, (iii) the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization, as applicable, (iv) the type of organization, (v) the jurisdictions in which such Loan Party is qualified to do business, (vi) the address of its chief executive office, (vii) the address of its principal place of business, (viii) its U.S. federal taxpayer identification number, (ix) the organization identification number, (x) ownership information (e.g. publicly held or if private or partnership, the owners and partners of each of the Loan Parties) and (xi) the industry or nature of business of such Loan Party.

5.21 <u>Collateral Representations</u>.

(a) <u>Collateral Documents</u>. The provisions of the Collateral Documents are effective to create in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties a legal, valid and enforceable first priority Lien (subject to Permitted Liens) on all right, title and interest of the respective Loan Parties in the Collateral described therein. Except for filings completed prior to the Closing Date and as contemplated hereby and by the Collateral Documents, no filing or other action will be necessary to perfect or protect such Liens.

(b) [<u>Reserved</u>].

(c) <u>Documents, Instrument, and Tangible Chattel Paper</u>. Set forth on <u>Schedule 5.21(c)</u>, as of the Closing Date and as of the last date such Schedule was required to be updated in accordance with Section 6.02, is a description of all Documents, Instruments, and Tangible Chattel Paper of the Loan Parties (including the Loan Party owning such Document, Instrument and Tangible Chattel Paper and such other information as reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent).

(d) Deposit Accounts, Electronic Chattel Paper, Letter-of-Credit Rights, and Securities Accounts.

(i) Set forth on <u>Schedule 5.21(d)(i)</u>, as of the Closing Date and as of the last date such Schedule was required to be updated in accordance with Section 6.02, is a description of all Deposit Accounts and Securities Accounts of the Loan Parties, including the name of (A) the applicable Loan Party, (B) in the case of a Deposit Account, the depository institution and whether such account is a zero balance account or a payroll account, and (C) in the case of a Securities Account, the Securities Intermediary or issuer.

(ii) Set forth on <u>Schedule 5.21(d)(ii</u>), as of the Closing Date and as of the last date such Schedule was required to be updated in accordance with Section 6.02, is a description of all Electronic Chattel Paper (as defined in the UCC) and Letter-of-Credit Rights (as defined in the UCC) of the Loan Parties, including the name of (A) the applicable Loan Party, (B) in the case of Electronic Chattel Paper (as defined in the UCC), the account debtor and (C) in the case of Letter-of-Credit Rights (as defined in the UCC), the issuer or nominated person, as applicable.

(e) <u>Commercial Tort Claims</u>. Set forth on <u>Schedule 5.21(e)</u>, as of the Closing Date and as of the last date such Schedule was required to be updated in accordance with Section 6.02, is a description of all Commercial Tort Claims of the Loan Parties (detailing such Commercial Tort Claim in such detail as reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent).

(f) <u>Pledged Equity Interests</u>. Set forth on <u>Schedule 5.21(f)</u>, as of the Closing Date and as of the last date such Schedule was required to be updated in accordance with Section 6.02, is a list of (i) all Pledged Equity and (ii) all other Equity Interests required to be pledged to the Administrative Agent pursuant to the Collateral Documents (in each case, detailing the Loan Party pledging such Equity Interests, the Person whose Equity Interests are pledged, the number of shares of each class of Equity Interests, the certificate number and percentage ownership of outstanding shares of each class of Equity Interests and the class or nature of such Equity Interests (i.e. voting, non-voting, preferred, etc.).

(g) Properties. Set forth on <u>Schedule 5.21(g)(i)</u>, as of the Closing Date and as of the last date such Schedule was required to be updated in accordance with Section 6.02, is a list of all Mortgaged Properties (including (i) the name of the Loan Party owning such Mortgaged Property, (ii) the number of buildings located on such Mortgaged Property, (iii) the property address, and (iv) the city, county, state and zip code which such Mortgaged Property is located. Set forth on <u>Schedule 5.21(g)(ii</u>), as of the Closing Date and as of the last date such Schedule was required to be updated in accordance with Section 6.02, is a list of (A) each headquarter location of the Loan Parties, (B) each other location where any significant administrative functions are performed, (C) each other location where the Loan Parties maintain any books or records (electronic or otherwise) and (D) each location where any material personal property Collateral is located at any premises owned or leased by a Loan Party (in each case, including (1) an indication if such location is leased or owned, (2), if leased, the name of the lessor, and if owned, the name of the Loan Party owning such property, (3) the address of such property (including, the city, county, state and zip code) and (4) to the extent owned, the approximate fair market value of such property).

5.22 <u>Compliance with Material Contracts</u>.

Each Loan Party (a) has performed and observed all the terms and provisions of each Material Contract to be performed or observed by it, subject to any waiver of, or immaterial deviation from, any term or provision of such Material Contract to the extent such waiver or other deviation is commercially reasonable under the circumstances and in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practices or otherwise consistent with a commercially reasonable course of dealing between such Loan Party and the counterparty to such Material Contract, and (b) has maintained each such Material Contract in full force and effect.

5.23 Intellectual Property; Licenses, Etc.

(a) Each Loan Party and each of its Subsidiaries own, or possess the right to use, all of the trademarks, service marks, trade names, copyrights, patents, patent rights, franchises, licenses and other intellectual property rights that are reasonably necessary for the operation of their respective businesses, without conflict with the rights of any other Person, except for any failure to do so that does not have a material impact on the fair market value of the Intellectual Property as a whole. To the knowledge of the Borrower, no slogan or other advertising device, product, process, method, substance, part or other material now employed, or now contemplated to be employed, by any Loan Party or any of their Subsidiaries infringes upon any rights held by any other Person, except for any such infringement that does not have a material impact on the fair market value of the Intellectual Property as a whole. No claim or litigation regarding any of the foregoing is pending or, to the best knowledge of the Loan Parties, threatened, which, either individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) Each Loan Party owns or has the right to use all Material Intellectual Property used in the operation of their respective businesses and all material economic rights derived therefrom.

5.24 <u>Warning Letters</u>.

Neither the Borrower, nor any of its Subsidiaries has received any so called "Warning Letters", "Untitled Letter", FDA Form 483 or similar notifications, from the FDA (or any analogous foreign, state or local Governmental Authority) for which such Borrower or such Subsidiary has not provided a response to or which has not otherwise been satisfied.

5.25 <u>EEA Financial Institutions</u>.

No Loan Party is an EEA Financial Institution.

5.26 <u>Regulation H</u>.

No Mortgaged Property is a Flood Hazard Property unless the Administrative Agent shall have received the following: (a) the applicable Loan Party's written acknowledgment of receipt of written notification from the Administrative Agent (i) as to the fact that such Mortgaged Property is a Flood Hazard Property, (ii) as to whether the community in which each such Flood Hazard Property is located is participating in the National Flood Insurance Program and (iii) such other flood hazard determination forms, notices and confirmations thereof as requested by the Administrative Agent and (b) copies of insurance policies or certificates of insurance of the applicable Loan Party evidencing flood insurance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and naming the Administrative Agent as loss payee on behalf of the Lenders. All flood hazard insurance policies required hereunder have been obtained and remain in full force and effect, and the premiums thereon have been paid in full.

ARTICLE VI AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS

Each of the Loan Parties hereby covenants and agrees that on the Closing Date and thereafter until the Facility Termination Date, such Loan Party shall, and shall cause each of its Subsidiaries to:

6.01 <u>Financial Statements</u>.

Deliver to the Administrative Agent (for distribution to each Lender), in form and detail reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Required Lenders:

(a) <u>Audited Financial Statements</u>. As soon as available, but in any event within ninety (90) days after the end of each fiscal year of the Borrower a Consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as at the end of such fiscal year, and the related Consolidated statements of income or operations, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows for such fiscal year, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the previous fiscal year, all in reasonable detail and prepared in accordance with GAAP, audited and accompanied by a report and opinion of an independent certified public accountant of nationally recognized standing reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, which report and opinion shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and shall not be subject to any "going concern" or like qualification or exception or any qualification or exception as to the scope of such audit.

(b) <u>Quarterly Financial Statements</u>. As soon as available, but in any event within fifty (50) days after the end of each of the first three (3) fiscal quarters of each fiscal year of the Borrower (commencing with the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2017), a Consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as at the end of such fiscal quarter, and the related Consolidated statements of income or operations, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows for such fiscal quarter and for the portion of the Borrower's fiscal year then ended, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding fiscal quarter of the previous fiscal year and the corresponding portion of the previous fiscal year, all in reasonable detail and prepared in accordance with GAAP, such Consolidated statements to be certified by the chief executive officer, chief financial officer or treasurer who is a Responsible Officer of the Borrower as fairly presenting the financial condition, results of operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, subject only to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes.

(c) <u>Business Plan and Budget</u>. As soon as available, but in any event within sixty (60) days after the end of each fiscal year of the Borrower, an annual business plan and budget of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis, including forecasts prepared by management of the Borrower, in form satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Required Lenders, of Consolidated balance sheets and statements of income or operations and cash flows of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a quarterly basis for the immediately following fiscal year.

As to any information contained in materials furnished pursuant to Section 6.02(g), the Borrower shall not be separately required to furnish such information under Section 6.01(a) or (b) above, but the foregoing shall not be in derogation of the obligation of the Borrower to furnish the information and materials described in Sections 6.01(a) and (b) above at the times specified therein.

6.02 <u>Certificates; Other Information</u>.

Deliver to the Administrative Agent (for distribution to each Lender), in form and detail reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Required Lenders:

(a) [<u>Reserved</u>].

(b) <u>Compliance Certificate</u>. Concurrently with the delivery of the financial statements referred to in Sections 6.01(a) and (b), a duly completed Compliance Certificate signed by the chief executive officer, chief financial officer or treasurer which is a Responsible Officer of the Borrower, and in the event of any change in generally accepted accounting principles used in the preparation of such financial statements, the Borrower shall also provide, if necessary for the determination of compliance with Section 7.11, a statement of reconciliation conforming such financial statements to GAAP. Unless the Administrative Agent requests executed originals, delivery of the Compliance Certificate may be by electronic communication including fax or email and shall be deemed to be an original and authentic counterpart thereof for all purposes.

(c) <u>Updated Schedules</u>. Within fifteen (15) days of the Administrative Agent's request therefor, the following updated Schedules to this Agreement (which may be attached to the Compliance Certificate) to the extent required to make the representation related to such Schedule true and correct in all material respects as of the date of such update is provided: <u>5.10</u>, <u>5.20(a)</u>, <u>5.21(b)</u>, <u>5.21(c)</u>, <u>5.21(d)(i)</u>, <u>5.21(d)(ii)</u>, <u>5.21(d)(ii)</u>, <u>5.21(g)(ii)</u>.

(d) [<u>Reserved</u>].

(e) <u>Changes in Entity Structure</u>. Within twenty (20) days prior to any merger, consolidation, dissolution or other change in entity structure of any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries permitted pursuant to the terms hereof, provide notice of such change in entity structure to the Administrative Agent, along with such other information as reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent. Provide notice to the Administrative Agent, not less than twenty (20) days prior (or such extended period of time as agreed to by the Administrative Agent) of any change in any Loan Party's legal name, state of organization, or organizational existence.

(f) <u>Management Letters; Recommendations</u>. Promptly after any request by the Administrative Agent or any Lender, copies of any management letters or recommendations submitted to the board of directors (or the audit committee of the board of directors) of any Loan Party within the preceding five (5) years by independent accountants in connection with the accounts or books of any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, or any audit of any of them.

(g) <u>Annual Reports; Etc.</u> Promptly after the same are publicly available, copies of each annual report, proxy or financial statements sent to the stockholders of the Borrower, and copies of all annual, regular, periodic and special reports and registration statements which the Borrower may file or be required to file with the SEC under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or with any national securities exchange, and in any case not otherwise required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent pursuant hereto.

(h) <u>Debt Securities Statements and Reports</u>. Promptly after the furnishing thereof, copies of any statement or report furnished to any holder of debt securities of any Loan Party or of any of its Subsidiaries pursuant to the terms of any indenture, loan or credit or similar agreement and not otherwise required to be furnished to the Lenders pursuant to Section 6.01 or any other clause of this Section.

(i) <u>Regulatory Notices</u>. Promptly, and in any event within three (3) Business Days after receipt thereof by any Loan Party or any of their Subsidiaries, copies of (i) each notice or other correspondence of a non-routine nature received from the SEC (or comparable agency in any applicable non-U.S. jurisdiction) concerning any investigation or possible investigation or other inquiry by such agency regarding financial or other operational results of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof or (ii) each notice from the FDA (or comparable agency in any applicable non-U.S. jurisdiction or state or local Governmental Authority) concerning any investigation or other material inquiry, or adverse finding or determination with respect to any product manufactured, sold or distributed by any Loan Party or any of their Subsidiaries (including any notification seeking a recall, removal or corrective action affecting the products manufactured, sold or distributed by such Loan Party or such Subsidiary), including, without limitation, the receipt by any Loan Party or any of their Subsidiaries of any so called "warning letter", "untitled letter", FDA Form 483 or similar notification, in each case, from the FDA (or analogous foreign, state or local Governmental Authority).

(j) <u>Material Contracts</u>. Promptly after occurrence thereof or after any Loan Party or any of their Subsidiary's receipt thereof, as applicable, copies of any notice of default, notice of termination or termination under any Material Contract.

(k) <u>Additional Information</u>. Promptly, such additional information regarding the business, financial, or corporate affairs of any Loan Party or any of their Subsidiaries, or compliance with the terms of the Loan Documents, as the Administrative Agent or any Lender may from time to time reasonably request.

Documents required to be delivered pursuant to <u>Section 6.01(a)</u> or (b) or <u>Section 6.02(g)</u> (to the extent any such documents are included in materials otherwise filed with the SEC) shall be deemed to have been furnished if such information, or one or more annual or quarterly reports containing such information, shall have been posted by the Administrative Agent on a Platform to which the Lenders have been granted access or shall be available on the website of the SEC at http://www.sec.gov, and shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date (a) on which the Borrower posts such documents, or provides a link thereto on the Borrower's website on the Internet at the website address listed on <u>Schedule 1.01(a)</u>, provided that the Borrower shall have notified the Administrative Agent in writing of the posting thereof or (b) on which such documents are posted on the Borrower's behalf on an Internet or intranet website, if any, to which each Lender and the Administrative Agent have access (whether a commercial, third-party website or whether sponsored by the Administrative Agent), provided that the Borrower shall have notified the Administrative Agent or any Lender upon its request to the Borrower to deliver such access (whether a constraint) or such Lender. The Administrative Agent shall have no obligation to request the delivery of or to maintain paper copies of the documents referred to above, and in any event shall have no responsibility to monitor compliance by the Borrower with any such request by a Lender for delivery, and each Lender shall be solely responsible for requesting delivery to it or maintaining its copies of such documents.

The Borrower hereby acknowledges that (A) the Administrative Agent and/or an Affiliate thereof may, but shall not be obligated to, make available to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer materials and/or information provided by or on behalf of the Borrower hereunder (collectively, "Borrower Materials") by posting the Borrower Materials on IntraLinks, Syndtrak, ClearPar or a substantially similar electronic transmission system (the "Platform") and (B) certain of the Lenders (each, a "Public Lender") may have personnel who do not wish to receive material non-public information with respect to the Borrower or its Affiliates, or the respective securities of any of the foregoing, and who may be engaged in investment and other market-related activities with respect to such Persons' securities. The Borrower hereby agrees that it will use commercially reasonable efforts to identify that portion of the Borrower Materials that may be distributed to the Public Lenders and that (1) all such Borrower Materials shall be clearly and conspicuously marked "PUBLIC" which, at a minimum, shall mean that the word "PUBLIC" shall appear prominently on the first page thereof; (2) by marking Borrower Materials "PUBLIC," the Borrower Materials as not containing any material non-public information (although it may be sensitive and proprietary) with respect to the Borrower or its securities laws (provided, however, that to the extent such Borrower Materials constitute Information, they shall be treated as set forth in Section 11.07); (3) all Borrower Materials marked "PUBLIC" are permitted to be made available through a portion of the Platform designated "Public Side Information," and (4) the Administrative Agent and any Affiliate thereof and the Arranger shall be entitled to treat any Borrower Materials that are not marked "PUBLIC" as being suitable only for posting on a portion of the Platform not designated "Public Side Information." Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Borrower shall be under no obligation to mark any Borrower Materials "PUBLI

6.03 <u>Notices</u>.

Promptly, but in any event within three (3) Business Days, notify the Administrative Agent (which will promptly furnish such information to each Lender):

- (a) of the occurrence of any Default;
- (b) of any matter that has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect;
- (c) of the occurrence of any ERISA Event;

(d) of any material change in accounting policies or financial reporting practices by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof, including any determination by the Borrower referred to in Section 2.10(b).

Each notice pursuant to this Section 6.03 shall be accompanied by a statement of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower setting forth details of the occurrence referred to therein and, to the extent applicable, stating what action the Borrower has taken and proposes to take with respect thereto. Each notice pursuant to Section 6.03(a) shall describe with particularity any and all provisions of this Agreement and any other Loan Document that have been breached.

6.04 Payment of Obligations.

Pay and discharge as the same shall become due and payable, all its obligations and liabilities, including (a) all tax liabilities, assessments and governmental charges or levies upon it or its properties or assets, unless the same are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted and adequate reserves in accordance with GAAP are being maintained by the Borrower or such Subsidiary; (b) all lawful claims which, if unpaid, would by law become a Lien upon its property unless the same are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted and adequate reserves in accordance with GAAP are being maintained by the Borrower or such Subsidiary, and solely to the extent that (x) such Liens do not (and will not) have priority over the Liens on the assets of the Loan Parties securing the Secured Obligations and (y) no enforcement action on account of any such Lien has been taken by (or on behalf of) the holder of such Lien; and (c) all Indebtedness in excess of \$5,000,000 or all other Indebtedness where the failure to so pay and discharge could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, as and when due and payable, but subject to any subordination provisions contained in any instrument or agreement evidencing such Indebtedness.

6.05 <u>Preservation of Existence, Etc</u>.

(a) Preserve, renew and maintain in full force and effect its legal existence and good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its organization except in a transaction permitted by Section 7.04 or 7.05;

(b) take all reasonable action to maintain all rights, privileges, permits, licenses and franchises necessary or desirable in the normal conduct of its business, except to the extent that failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and

(c) preserve or renew all of the registered patents, trademarks, trade names and service marks of the Borrower and its respective Subsidiaries, the non-preservation of which could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

6.06 <u>Maintenance of Properties</u>.

(a) Maintain, preserve and protect all of its material properties and equipment necessary in the operation of its business in good working order and condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted;

(b) make all necessary repairs thereto and renewals and replacements thereof except where the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and

(c) use the standard of care typical in the industry in the operation and maintenance of its facilities.

6.07 <u>Maintenance of Insurance</u>.

(a) <u>Maintenance of Insurance</u>. Maintain with financially sound and reputable insurance companies not Affiliates of the Borrower, insurance with respect to its properties and business against loss or damage of the kinds customarily insured against by Persons engaged in the same or similar business, of such types and in such amounts as are customarily carried under similar circumstances by such other Persons, including, without limitation, (i) terrorism insurance and (ii) flood hazard insurance on all Mortgaged Properties that are Flood Hazard Properties, on such terms and in such amounts as required by the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 or as otherwise required by the Administrative Agent.

(b) Evidence of Insurance. Cause the Administrative Agent to be named as lenders' loss payable, loss payee or mortgagee, as its interest may appear, and/or additional insured with respect of any such insurance providing liability coverage or coverage in respect of any Collateral, and cause, unless otherwise agreed to by the Administrative Agent, each provider of any such insurance to agree, by endorsement upon the policy or policies issued by it or by independent instruments furnished to the Administrative Agent that is reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent. Upon the written request of the Administrative Agent on an annual basis with respect to each respective insurance policy, the Loan Parties shall provide, or cause to be provided, to the Administrative Agent, such evidence of insurance as reasonably required by the Administrative Agent, including, but not limited to: (i) copies of such insurance policies, (ii) evidence of such insurance policies (including, without limitation and as applicable, ACORD Form 28 certificates (or similar form of insurance certificate), and ACORD Form 25 certificates (or similar form of insurance certificate), and ACORD Form 25 certificates (or similar form of insurance certificate), and ACORD Form 25 certificates (or similar form of insurance certificate), and ACORD Form 25 certificates (or similar form of insurance certificate), and ACORD Form 25 certificates (or similar form of insurance certificate), and ACORD Form 25 certificates (or similar form of insurance certificate), and ACORD Form 25 certificates (or similar form of insurance policy. As requested by the Administrative Agent, the Loan Parties agree to deliver to the Administrative Agent an Authorization to Share Insurance Information.

(c) <u>Redesignation</u>. Promptly notify the Administrative Agent of any Mortgaged Property that is, or becomes, a Flood Hazard Property.

6.08 <u>Compliance with Laws</u>.

Comply with the requirements of all Laws and all orders, writs, injunctions and decrees applicable to it or to its business or property, except (to the extent not constituting a breach of any representation or warranty made pursuant to Section 5.15) in such instances in which (a) such requirement of Law or order, writ, injunction or decree is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted; or (b) the failure to comply therewith could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

6.09 Books and Records.

(a) Maintain proper books of record and account, in which full, true and correct entries in conformity with GAAP consistently applied shall be made of all financial transactions and matters involving the assets and business of such Loan Party or such Subsidiary, as the case may be; and

(b) maintain such books of record and account in material conformity with all applicable requirements of any Governmental Authority having regulatory jurisdiction over such Loan Party or such Subsidiary, as the case may be.

6.10 Inspection Rights.

Permit the Administrative Agent and representatives and independent contractors of the Administrative Agent to visit and inspect any of its properties, to examine its corporate, financial and operating records, and make copies thereof or abstracts therefrom, and to discuss its affairs, finances and accounts with its directors, officers, and independent public accountants, all at the expense of the Borrower and at such reasonable times during normal business hours and as often as may be reasonably desired, upon reasonable advance notice to the Borrower; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (a) absent an Event of Default, the Borrowers shall only be required to pay for one such visit and/or inspection in any twelve month period and there shall only be one such visit and/or inspection in any twelve month period and (b) when an Event of Default exists the Administrative Agent (or any of its representatives or independent contractors) or any Lender (who is accompanied by the Administrative Agent) may do any of the foregoing at the expense of the Borrower at any time during normal business hours and without advance notice. At any time prior to an Event of Default, any Lender may accompany the Administrative Agent or its representatives and independent contractors with any inspection at such Lender's expense.

6.11 <u>Use of Proceeds</u>.

Use the proceeds of the Credit Extensions for general corporate purposes (including, without limitation, Permitted Acquisitions) not in contravention of any Law or of any Loan Document.

6.12 <u>Material Contracts</u>.

(a) Perform and observe all the terms and provisions of each Material Contract to be performed or observed by it, subject to any waiver of, or other immaterial deviation from, any term or provision of such Material Contract to the extent such waiver or other deviation is commercially reasonable under the circumstances and in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practices or otherwise consistent with a commercially reasonable course of dealing between such Loan Party and the counterparty to such Material Contract, and (b) maintain each such Material Contract in full force and effect.

6.13 <u>Covenant to Guarantee Obligations</u>.

The Loan Parties will cause each of their Subsidiaries (other than any CFC) whether newly formed, after acquired or otherwise existing to promptly (and in any event within thirty (30) days after such Subsidiary is formed or acquired (or such longer period of time as agreed to by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion)) become a Guarantor hereunder by way of execution of a Joinder Agreement; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, no Foreign Subsidiary shall be required to become a Guarantor. In connection therewith, the Loan Parties shall give notice to the Administrative Agent not less than ten (10) days prior to creating a Subsidiary (or such shorter period of time as agreed to by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion), or acquiring the Equity Interests of any other Person. In connection with the foregoing, the Loan Parties shall deliver to the Administrative Agent (unless otherwise waived by the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion in the case of Section 4.01(c)), with respect to each new Subsidiary Guarantor to the extent applicable, substantially the same documentation required pursuant to Sections 4.01(b), (c), (e), (f), (n) (including, "know your customer", PATRIOT Act, sanctions, OFAC, and FCPA diligence, in scope, and with results, satisfactory to the Administrative Agent) and 6.14 and such other documents or agreements as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request.

6.14 Covenant to Give Security.

Except with respect to Excluded Property:

(a) Equity Interests and Personal Property. Subject to the provisions of the last sentence of this Section 6.14(a), each Loan Party will cause the Pledged Equity and all of its tangible and intangible personal property now owned or hereafter acquired by it to be subject at all times to a first priority, perfected Lien (subject to Permitted Liens to the extent permitted by the Loan Documents) in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties to secure the Secured Obligations pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Collateral Documents. At the request of the Administrative Agent, each Loan Party shall provide opinions of counsel and any filings and deliveries reasonably necessary in connection therewith to perfect the security interests therein, all in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent. In the event that solely as a result of any failure by the Administrative Agent to take action within its control to maintain the perfected status of its Lien (other than to the extent resulting from of any action or inaction by any Loan Party not permitted under the Loan Documents), including without limitation, (A) failure to file continuation statements under the applicable UCC (or similar provisions under applicable law), the Loan Parties shall, within five (5) Business Days of the occurrence of any such event, take all such action as may be reasonably necessary to cause all such Collateral to be subject to a first priority, perfected Lien (subject to Permitted Liens to the extent permitted by the Loan Documents) in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties to secure the Secured Obligations pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Collateral Document to the subject to a first priority, perfected Lien (subject to Permitted Liens to the extent permitted by the Loan Documents) in favor of the Administrative Agent for (B) failure to file continuation statements under the applicable UCC (or similar provisions under applicable law),

(b) <u>Real Property</u>. Upon the Administrative Agent's request therefor after the occurrence of any Event of Default, any Loan Party that owns or acquires a fee ownership interest in any real property with a fair market value in excess of \$1,000,000 ("<u>Real Estate</u>") at the time of such request shall provide to the Administrative Agent, at such Loan Party's expense, within thirty (30) days (or such extended period of time as agreed to by the Administrative Agent) a Mortgage and such Mortgaged Property Support Documents as the Administrative Agent may request to cause such Real Estate to be subject at all times to a first priority, perfected Lien (subject in each case to Permitted Liens) in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties to secure the Secured Obligations pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Collateral Documents.

(c) Landlord Waivers. In the case of (i) each headquarter location of the Loan Parties, each other location where any significant administrative functions are performed and each other location where the Loan Parties maintain any material books or records (electronic or otherwise) and (ii) any personal property Collateral located at any other premises leased by a Loan Party containing a material amount of personal property Collateral, the Loan Parties will provide the Administrative Agent, on or prior to the date that is 60 days after the Closing Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion), with such consents and waivers from the landlords on such real property to the extent (A) requested by the Administrative Agent and (B) the Loan Parties are able to secure such consents and waivers after using commercially reasonable efforts (such consents and waivers shall be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, it being acknowledged and agreed that any Landlord Waiver is satisfactory to the Administrative Agent).

(d) <u>Account Control Agreements</u>. From and after 90 days after the Closing Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion), each of the Loan Parties shall not open, maintain or otherwise have any deposit or other accounts (including securities accounts) at any bank or other financial institution, or any other account where money or securities are or may be deposited or maintained with any Person, other than (a) deposit accounts that are maintained at all times with Bank of America or a depositary institutions as to which the Administrative Agent shall have received a Qualifying Control Agreement, (b) securities accounts that are maintained at all times with financial institutions as to which the Administrative Agent shall have received a Qualifying Control Agreement, (c) deposit accounts established solely as payroll and other zero balance accounts and such accounts are held at Bank of America and (d) other deposit accounts, so long as at any time (x) the balance in any one such account does not exceed \$500,000 and (y) the aggregate balance in all such accounts do not exceed \$1,000,000.

(e) <u>Further Assurances</u>. At any time upon request of the Administrative Agent, each Loan Party and each of their respective Subsidiaries shall promptly execute and deliver any and all further instruments and documents and take all such other action (including promptly completing any registration or stamping of documents as may be applicable) as the Administrative Agent may deem reasonably necessary or desirable to maintain in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, Liens and insurance rights on the Collateral that are duly perfected in accordance with the requirements of, or the obligations of the Loan Parties under, the Loan Documents and all applicable Laws.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contain in this Section 6.14, the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries shall not be required to grant a Lien in specific Collateral or perfect a Lien on specific Collateral, if the Administrative Agent determines in writing, in its reasonable discretion, that the costs and burdens to the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries of obtaining or perfecting a Lien in such Collateral are excessive in relation to value to the Secured Parties afforded by the grant of a Lien in or perfection of a Lien on such specific Collateral.

6.15 <u>Further Assurances</u>.

Promptly upon written request by the Administrative Agent, or any Lender through the Administrative Agent, each Loan Party and each of their respective Subsidiaries shall (a) correct any material defect or error that may be discovered in any Loan Document or in the execution, acknowledgment, filing or recordation thereof, and (b) do, execute, acknowledge, deliver, record, re-record, file, re-file, register and re-register any and all such further acts, deeds, certificates, assurances and other instruments (including promptly completing any registration or stamping of documents as may be applicable) as the Administrative Agent, or any Lender through the Administrative Agent, may reasonably require from time to time in order to (i) carry out the purposes of the Loan Documents, (ii) to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, subject any Loan Party's or any of their respective Subsidiaries' properties, assets, rights or interests to the Liens now or hereafter intended to be covered by any of the Collateral Documents, (iii) perfect and maintain the validity, effectiveness and priority of any of the Collateral Documents and any of the Liens intended to be created thereunder and (iv) assure, convey, grant, assign, transfer, preserve, protect and confirm unto the Secured Parties the rights granted or now or hereafter intended to be granted to the Secured Parties under any Loan Document or under any other instrument executed in connection with any Loan Document to which any Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries is or is to be a party, and cause each of its Subsidiaries to do so.

6.16 <u>Reserved</u>.

6.17 <u>Compliance with Environmental Laws</u>.

Comply and take reasonable actions to cause other Persons operating or occupying its properties to comply, in all material respects, with all applicable Environmental Laws and Environmental Permits; obtain and renew all Environmental Permits material for its operations and properties; and conduct any investigation, study, sampling and testing, and undertake any cleanup, removal, remedial or other action necessary to remove and clean up all Hazardous Materials from any of its properties, in accordance with the requirements of all Environmental Laws; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that neither the Borrower nor any of its Subsidiaries shall be required to undertake any such cleanup, removal, remedial or other action to the extent that its obligation to do so is being contested in good faith and by proper proceedings and appropriate reserves are being maintained with respect to such circumstances in accordance with GAAP.

6.18 <u>Anti-Corruption Laws</u>.

Conduct its business in compliance in all material respects with the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, the UK Bribery Act 2010 and other similar anti-corruption legislation in other jurisdictions and maintain policies and procedures designed to promote and achieve compliance with such laws.

6.19 Post-Closing Covenants.

(a) Within thirty (30) days of the Closing Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion), the Borrower shall deliver to the Administrative Agent copies of insurance policies, declaration pages, certificates, and endorsements of insurance or insurance binders evidencing liability, casualty, property, terrorism and business interruption insurance meeting the requirements set forth herein or in the Collateral Documents or as required by the Administrative Agent.

(b) Within forty-five (45) days of the Closing Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion), the Administrative Agent shall have received evidence that all actions that the Administrative Agent may deem necessary or desirable in order to perfect the Liens created under the Security Agreement in respect of the stock or membership interests of the Borrower in Anika Therapeutics S.r.l., if any, shall have been taken or made.

(c) Within sixty (60) days of the Closing Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion), the Borrower shall deliver to the Administrative Agent with respect to each headquarters location of the Loan Parties and each other location required by Section 6.14(c), a landlord waiver and consent (in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent) from the landlords on such real property to the extent the Loan Parties are able to secure such landlord waiver and consent after using commercially reasonable efforts.

(d) Within ninety (90) days of the Closing Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion), the Borrower shall to deliver to the Administrative Agent Qualifying Control Agreements with respect to each of the deposit accounts and securities accounts of the Loan Parties, in compliance with Section 6.14(d).

ARTICLE VII

NEGATIVE COVENANTS

Each of the Loan Parties hereby covenants and agrees that on the Closing Date and thereafter until the Facility Termination Date, no Loan Party shall, nor shall it permit any of its Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly:

7.01 <u>Liens</u>.

Create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien upon any of its property, assets or revenues, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, except for the following (collectively, "<u>Permitted Liens</u>"):

(a) Liens pursuant to any Loan Document;

(b) Liens existing on the Closing Date and listed on <u>Schedule 7.01</u> and any renewals or extensions thereof, provided that (i) the property covered thereby is not changed, (ii) the amount secured or benefited thereby is not increased except as contemplated by Section 7.02(b), (iii) the direct or any contingent obligor with respect thereto is not changed, and (iv) any renewal or extension of the obligations secured or benefited thereby is permitted by Section 7.02(b);

(c) Liens for Taxes not yet due or which are being contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted, if adequate reserves with respect thereto are maintained on the books of the applicable Person in accordance with GAAP;

(d) statutory liens such as carriers', warehousemen's, mechanics', materialmen's, repairmen's or other like Liens arising in the ordinary course of business which are not overdue for a period of more than thirty (30) days or which are being contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted, if adequate reserves with respect thereto are maintained on the books of the applicable Person;

(e) pledges or deposits in the ordinary course of business in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other social security legislation, other than any Lien imposed by ERISA;

(f) deposits to secure the performance of bids, trade contracts and leases (other than Indebtedness), statutory obligations, surety and appeal bonds, performance bonds and other obligations of a like nature incurred in the ordinary course of business;

(g) easements, rights-of-way, restrictions and other similar encumbrances affecting real property which, in the aggregate, are not substantial in amount, and which do not in any case materially detract from the value of the property subject thereto or materially interfere with the ordinary conduct of the business of the applicable Person;

(h) Liens securing judgments for the payment of money (or appeal or other surety bonds relating to such judgments) not constituting an Event of Default under Section 8.01(h);

(i) Liens securing Indebtedness permitted under Section 7.02(c); provided that (i) such Liens do not at any time encumber any property other than the property financed by such Indebtedness and (ii) the Indebtedness secured thereby does not exceed the cost or fair market value, whichever is lower, of the property being acquired on the date of acquisition;

(j) bankers' Liens, rights of setoff and other similar Liens existing solely with respect to cash and Cash Equivalents on deposit in one or more accounts maintained by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof, in each case in the ordinary course of business in favor of the bank or banks with which such accounts are maintained, securing solely the customary amounts owing to such bank with respect to cash management and operating account arrangements; <u>provided</u>, that in no case shall any such Liens secure (either directly or indirectly) the repayment of any Indebtedness;

(k) Liens arising out of judgments or awards not resulting in an Event of Default; <u>provided</u> the applicable Loan Party or Subsidiary shall in good faith be prosecuting an appeal or proceedings for review;

(l) any interest or title of a lessor, licensor or sublessor under any lease, license or sublease entered into by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof in the ordinary course of business and covering only the assets so leased, licensed or subleased;

(m) Liens of a collection bank arising under Section 4-210 of the UCC on items in the course of collection;

(n) any zoning, building or similar laws or rights reserved to or vested in any Governmental Authority;

(o) Liens arising from precautionary uniform commercial code financing statements (or equivalent filings or registrations in foreign jurisdictions) filed under any operating lease not prohibited by this Agreement;

(p) Liens arising out of consignment or similar arrangements for the sale of goods entered into by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof in the ordinary course of business;

(q) Liens in favor of customs and revenue authorities arising as a matter of law to secure payment of customs duties in connection with the importation of goods in the ordinary course of business;

(r) Liens solely on any cash earnest money deposits, escrow arrangements or similar arrangements made by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof in connection with any letter of intent or purchase agreement for a Permitted Acquisition or other Investment permitted under Section 7.03;

(s) Liens on property of a Person acquired in connection with a Permitted Acquisition existing at the time such Person merged into or consolidated with any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof or becomes a Subsidiary of any Loan Party; <u>provided</u> (i) such Liens were not created in contemplation of such merger, consolidation, Investment or acquisition, (ii) such Liens do not encumber any property other than the property encumbered at the time of such merger, consolidation, Investment or acquisition, and the proceeds and products thereof, and (iii) such Liens do not extend to any assets other than those assets initially subject to such Liens of the Person merged into or consolidated with any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof or acquired by any Loan Party; and

(t) other Liens securing Indebtedness outstanding in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.

Notwithstanding the foregoing to the contrary, no Loan Party shall, nor shall it permit any of its Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien upon any of its Intellectual Property to secure any Indebtedness.

7.02 <u>Indebtedness</u>.

Create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Indebtedness, except:

(a) Indebtedness under the Loan Documents;

(b) Indebtedness outstanding on the date hereof and listed on <u>Schedule 7.02</u> and any refinancings, refundings, renewals or extensions thereof; <u>provided</u> that the amount of such Indebtedness is not increased at the time of such refinancing, refunding, renewal or extension except by an amount equal to a reasonable premium or other reasonable amount paid, and fees and expenses reasonably incurred, in connection with such refinancing and by an amount equal to any existing commitments unutilized thereunder and the direct or any contingent obligor with respect thereto is not changed, as a result of or in connection with such refinancing, refunding, renewal or extension; and, still further, that the terms relating to principal amount, amortization, maturity, collateral (if any) and subordination, standstill and related terms (if any), and other material terms taken as a whole, of any such refinancing, refunding, renewing or extending Indebtedness, and of any agreement entered into and of any instrument issued in connection therewith, are no less favorable in any material respect to the Loan Parties or the Lenders than the terms of any agreement or instrument governing the Indebtedness being refinanced, refunded, renewed or extended and the interest rate applicable to any such refinancing, refunding, renewing or extending Indebtedness does not exceed the then applicable market interest rate;

(c) Indebtedness in respect of Capitalized Leases, Synthetic Lease Obligations and purchase money obligations for fixed or capital assets within the limitations set forth in Section 7.01(i); provided, however, that the aggregate amount of all such Indebtedness at any one time outstanding shall not exceed \$6,000,000;

(d) Unsecured Indebtedness of a Subsidiary of the Borrower owed to the Borrower or a wholly-owned Subsidiary of the Borrower, (i) such Indebtedness shall be evidenced by promissory notes (which may be in the form of a single global intercompany note) and shall be pledged to the Administrative Agent as Collateral for the Secured Obligations in accordance with the terms of the Security Agreement, (ii) such Indebtedness shall be on terms and conditions reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, including, without limitation, being subordinated to the Obligations on terms and conditions reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and (iii) which Indebtedness shall be otherwise permitted under the provisions of Section 7.03 ("Intercompany Debt");

(e) (i) Guarantees of the Borrower or any Subsidiary Guarantor in respect of Indebtedness otherwise permitted hereunder of the Borrower or any other Subsidiary Guarantor and (ii) Guarantees of any Loan Party in respect of Indebtedness otherwise permitted hereunder of any non-Loan Party (provided that any such Guarantee shall also be an Investment permitted under <u>Section 7.03(c)</u>);

(f) obligations (contingent or otherwise) existing or arising under any Swap Contract, provided that (i) such obligations are (or were) entered into by such Person in the ordinary course of business for the purpose of directly mitigating risks associated with fluctuations in interest rates or foreign exchange rates or other non-speculative purposes and (ii) such Swap Contract does not contain any provision exonerating the non-defaulting party from its obligation to make payments on outstanding transactions to the defaulting party;

(g) contingent obligations arising with respect to customary indemnification obligations in favor of in connection with Dispositions permitted under Section 7.05;

(h) Indebtedness relating to premium financing arrangements for property and casualty insurance plans and health and welfare benefit plans (including health and workers compensation insurance, employment practices liability insurance and directors and officers insurance), if incurred in the ordinary course of business;

(i) Indebtedness incurred and owed in respect of any overdrafts or similar protections and related liabilities arising from treasury, depository and cash management services and related obligations or in connection with any automated clearing-house transfers of funds, in each case, in connection with deposit accounts in the ordinary course of business;

(j) Indebtedness in respect of surety and appeal bonds, performance and reclamation bonds and obligations of a like nature in respect of contracts entered into by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice, including, without limitation, performance guarantees by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;

(k) Subordinated Debt (other than Intercompany Debt) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$10,000,000; and

(l) other unsecured Indebtedness of one or more Loan Parties not contemplated by the above provisions in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$20,000,000 at any time outstanding; provided that (x) no Default shall exist or would result therefrom, (y) the Loan Parties are in Pro Forma Compliance with each of the financial covenants set forth in Section 7.11, and (z) the terms and conditions of such Indebtedness shall be reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent.

7.03 <u>Investments</u>.

Make or hold any Investments, except:

(a) Investments held by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in the form of cash or Cash Equivalents or other Investments permitted by the Borrower's Investment Policy;

(b) loans and advances to officers, directors and employees of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 at any time outstanding, for travel, entertainment, relocation and analogous ordinary business purposes;

(c) (i) Investments by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in their respective Subsidiaries outstanding on the date hereof, (ii) additional Investments by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in Loan Parties, (iii) additional Investments by Subsidiaries of the Borrower that are not Loan Parties in other Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties and (iv) so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would result from such Investment, additional Investments by the Loan Parties in wholly-owned Subsidiaries of the Borrower that are not Loan Parties in an aggregate amount invested from the date hereof not to exceed \$20,000,000;

(d) Investments consisting of extensions of credit in the nature of accounts receivable or notes receivable arising from the grant of trade credit in the ordinary course of business, and Investments received in satisfaction or partial satisfaction thereof from financially troubled account debtors to the extent reasonably necessary in order to prevent or limit loss;

(e) Guarantees permitted by Section 7.02;

(f) Investments existing on the Closing Date (other than those referred to in Section 7.03(c)(i)) and set forth on <u>Schedule 7.03;</u>

(g) Permitted Acquisitions (other than of (x) CFCs and Subsidiaries held directly or indirectly by a CFC or (y) Foreign Subsidiaries that would not be required to be a Subsidiary Guarantor pursuant to Section 6.13, which Investments are covered by Section 7.03(c)(iv)));

(h) Investments (including debt obligations) received in connection with the bankruptcy or reorganization of suppliers and customers and in settlement of delinquent obligations of, and other disputes with, customers and suppliers arising in the ordinary course of business;

(i) bank deposits in the ordinary course of business;

(j) Investments consisting of non-cash loans made by the Borrower to directors, officers, employees or consultants of any Loan Party which are used by such Persons to simultaneously purchase Equity Interests of the Borrower in an aggregate outstanding amount not to exceed \$3,000,000;

(k) to the extent constituting Investments, Capital Expenditures permitted hereunder;

(l) Swap Contracts permitted by this Agreement; and

(m) other Investments of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries not contemplated by the above provisions not exceeding \$5,000,000 at any time outstanding; provided that no Event of Default shall exist or would result therefrom.

7.04 <u>Fundamental Changes</u>.

Merge, dissolve, liquidate, consolidate with or into another Person, or Dispose of (whether in one transaction or in a series of transactions) all or substantially all of its assets (whether now owned or hereafter acquired) to or in favor of any Person, except that:

(a) any Subsidiary of the Borrower may merge with (i) the Borrower; <u>provided</u> that the Borrower shall be the continuing or surviving Person, or (ii) any one or more other Subsidiaries, <u>provided</u> that (x) when any Loan Party is merging with another Subsidiary, a Loan Party shall be the continuing or surviving Person and (y) no such merger shall cause any then existing Loan Party to become a CFC or Foreign Subsidiary that would not be required to be a Subsidiary Guarantor pursuant to Section 6.13;

(b) any Loan Party (other than the Borrower) may Dispose of all or substantially all of its assets (upon voluntary liquidation or otherwise) to the Borrower or to another Loan Party;

(c) any Subsidiary of the Borrower that is not a Loan Party may dispose of all or substantially all its assets (including any Disposition that is in the nature of a liquidation) to (i) another Subsidiary of the Borrower that is not a Loan Party or (ii) to a Loan Party;

(d) so long as no Default or Event of Default exists or would result therefrom, in connection with any Permitted Acquisition, any Subsidiary of the Borrower may merge into or consolidate with any other Person or permit any other Person to merge into or consolidate with it; <u>provided</u> that (i) the Person surviving such merger shall be a wholly-owned Subsidiary of the Borrower, (ii) in the case of any such merger to which any Loan Party (other than the Borrower) is a party, such Loan Party is the surviving Person and (iii) no such merger shall cause any then existing Loan Party to become a CFC or Foreign Subsidiary that would not be required to be a Subsidiary Guarantor pursuant to Section 6.13; and

(e) so long as no Default or Event of Default exists or would result therefrom, each of the Borrower and any of its Subsidiaries may merge into or consolidate with any other Person or permit any other Person to merge into or consolidate with it; provided, however, that in each case, immediately after giving effect thereto (i) in the case of any such merger to which the Borrower is a party, the Borrower is the surviving Person and (ii) in the case of any such merger to which any Loan Party (other than the Borrower) is a party, such Loan Party is the surviving Person.

7.05 <u>Dispositions</u>.

Make any Disposition or enter into any agreement to make any Disposition, except:

(a) Dispositions of inventory in the ordinary course of business;

(b) Dispositions of surplus, obsolete or worn out property, whether now owned or hereafter acquired;

(c) Dispositions of equipment or real property to the extent that (i) such property is exchanged for credit against the purchase price of similar replacement property or (ii) the proceeds of such Disposition are reasonably promptly applied to the purchase price of such replacement property;

(d) Dispositions permitted by Section 7.04;

(e) Dispositions of property by any Subsidiary of the Borrower to the Borrower or to a wholly-owned Subsidiary of the Borrower; provided that if the transferor of such property is a Subsidiary Guarantor, the transferee thereof must either be the Borrower or a Subsidiary Guarantor;

(f) the non-exclusive licensing or sublicensing (except for exclusivity as to specific fields and/or jurisdictions in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practices) of rights in any Intellectual Property pursuant to licensing, joint marketing, distribution, or development arrangements in the ordinary course of business in the life science industry and substantially consistent with past practice (provided that none of the foregoing (either individually or in the aggregate) (x) could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect or (y) materially interfere with the business of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries, taken as a whole);

(g) sales, forgiveness or discounting, on a non-recourse basis and in the ordinary course of business, of past due accounts or other Contractual Obligations in connection with the collection or compromise thereof or the settlement of delinquent accounts or in connection with the bankruptcy or reorganization of suppliers or customers;

(h) Dispositions in the ordinary course of business consisting of the abandonment or allowing to lapse of Intellectual Property (other than Material Intellectual Property), which in the reasonable good faith determination of the Borrower are uneconomical to maintain, nonstrategic, negligible, obsolete or otherwise not material in the conduct of its business;

(i) Dispositions by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries of any Non-Core Assets so long as the proceeds of any such Disposition either retained by the Borrower or are reasonably promptly reinvested by the Borrower in its reasonable business judgment; and

(j) Dispositions by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries not otherwise permitted under this Section 7.05 (other than any Intellectual Property); provided that (i) at the time of such Disposition, no Default shall exist or would result from such Disposition, (ii) the aggregate book value of all property Disposed of in reliance on this clause (f) in any fiscal year shall not exceed \$2,500,000 and (iii) the purchase price for such asset shall be paid to the Borrower or such Subsidiary solely in cash;

provided, however, that any Disposition pursuant to this Section 7.05 (other than Section 7.05(d) and (e)) shall be for fair market value.

7.06 <u>Restricted Payments</u>.

Declare or make, directly or indirectly, any Restricted Payment, or incur any obligation (contingent or otherwise) to do so, or issue or sell any Equity Interests or accept any capital contributions, except that:

(a) so long as no Default shall exist or would result therefrom, each Subsidiary of the Borrower may make Restricted Payments to any Person that owns Equity Interests in such Subsidiary, ratably according to their respective holdings of the type of Equity Interest in respect of which such Restricted Payment is being made;

(b) the Borrower may declare and make dividend payments or other distributions payable solely in the common stock or other common Equity Interests of the Borrower;

(c) the Borrower may issue and sell its common Equity Interests or any warrants or options with respect thereto pursuant to any executive compensation or stock option plan;

(d) the Borrower may issue and sell its Equity Interests solely to the extent constituting Qualified Stock;

(e) the Borrower may declare and make Restricted Payments, <u>provided</u> that (i) (i) at the time of such Restricted Payment, no Default shall exist or would result from such Restricted Payment, (ii) immediately after giving effect to any such Restricted Payment (and the incurrence of any Credit Extensions to fund such Restricted Payment), on a Pro Forma Basis (x) the Consolidated Leverage Ratio shall not be greater than 2.75 to 1.00 and (y) the Borrower shall be in Pro Forma Compliance with each other financial covenant set forth in Section 7.11, in each case, determined on the basis of the financial information most recently delivered to the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 6.01(a) or (b) as though such Restricted Payment had been made as of the first day of the Measurement Period covered thereby and (iii) the Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, certifying compliance with, and/or attaching calculations demonstrating compliance, as applicable, with each of the requirements of set forth above;

(f) the Borrower may make cash payments (i) to satisfy an employee's withholding tax obligations incurred in connection with the exercise, vesting or acquisition of warrants, options or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for Equity Interests in the Borrower and (ii) in lieu of the issuance of fractional shares representing insignificant interests in the Borrower in connection with the exercise of warrants, options or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for Equity Interests of warrants, options or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for Equity Interests in the Borrower, in an aggregate amount in respect of this clause (ii) not to exceed \$500,000 during the term of this Agreement; and

(g) the Borrower may acquire on a cashless basis, Equity Interests of the Borrower (i) upon the exercise of stock options for its Equity Interests to the extent representing a portion of the exercise price therof or (ii) in connection with tax withholding obligations arising in connection with the exercise of options by, or the vesting of restricted Equity Interests held by, any current or former director, officer or employee of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries.

7.07 Change in Nature of Business.

Engage in any material line of business substantially different from those lines of business conducted by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on the date hereof or any business substantially related or incidental thereto.

7.08 <u>Transactions with Affiliates</u>.

Enter into or permit to exist any transaction or series of transactions with any officer, director or Affiliate of such Person other than (a) advances of working capital to any Loan Party, (b) transfers of cash and assets to any Loan Party, (c) intercompany transactions expressly permitted by this Agreement, (d) and the making of Restricted Payments permitted by Section 7.06, (e) normal and reasonable compensation and reimbursement of expenses of officers, directors and employees, (f) the transactions listed on Schedule 7.08 and (g) except as otherwise specifically limited in this Agreement, other transactions which are entered into in the ordinary course of such Person's business on fair and reasonable terms and conditions substantially as favorable to such Person as would be obtainable by it in a comparable arm's length transaction with a Person other than an officer, director or Affiliate.

7.09 Burdensome Agreements.

Enter into, or permit to exist, any Contractual Obligation (except for this Agreement and the other Loan Documents) that (a) encumbers or restricts the ability of any Loan Party or its Subsidiaries to (i) make Restricted Payments to any Loan Party, (ii) pay any Indebtedness or other obligation owed to any Loan Party, (iii) make loans or advances to any Loan Party, or (iv) create any Lien upon any of their properties or assets, whether now owned or hereafter acquired or (b) requires the grant of any Lien on property for any obligation if a Lien on such property is given as security for the Secured Obligations, except (A) in the case of clause (a)(iv) only, for any document or instrument governing Indebtedness incurred pursuant to Section 7.02(c), provided that any such restriction contained therein relates only to the asset or assets constructed or acquired in connection therewith, (B) any negative pledge contained in Indebtedness incurred in accordance with Section 7.02(k) and (l) so long as such negative pledge permits Liens on the assets of the Loan Parties securing the Secured Obligations, (C) customary provisions contained in agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business restricting the assignment thereof and (D) Contractual Obligations that are customary provisions in joint venture agreements and other similar agreements applicable to joint ventures permitted under Section 7.03, so long as such Contractual Obligations are applicable only to such joint venture.

7.10 Use of Proceeds.

Use the proceeds of any Credit Extension, whether directly or indirectly, and whether immediately, incidentally or ultimately, to purchase or carry margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation U of the FRB) or to extend credit to others for the purpose of purchasing or carrying margin stock or to refund indebtedness originally incurred for such purpose.

7.11 <u>Financial Covenants</u>.

(a) <u>Consolidated Leverage Ratio</u>. Permit the Consolidated Leverage Ratio as of the end of any Measurement Period ending as of the end of any fiscal quarter of the Borrower to be greater than 3.00 to 1.00.

(b) <u>Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio</u>. Permit the Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio as of the end of any Measurement Period ending as of the end of any fiscal quarter of the Borrower to be less than 3.00 to 1.00.

7.12 <u>Amendments of Organization Documents; Fiscal Year; Legal Name, State of Formation; Form of Entity and Accounting Changes</u>.

(a) Amend any Organization Documents of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, in a manner adverse in any material respect to the Lenders or the Administrative Agent;

(b) change the fiscal year of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries;

(c) without providing twenty (20) days prior written notice to the Administrative Agent (or such extended period of time as agreed to by the Administrative Agent), change the name, state of formation or organization, form of organization or principal place of business of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries; or

(d) make any other change in accounting policies or reporting practices of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, except as required by GAAP.

7.13 Sale and Leaseback Transactions.

Enter into any Sale and Leaseback Transaction.

7.14 <u>Prepayments, Etc. of Indebtedness</u>.

Prepay, redeem, purchase, defease or otherwise satisfy or obligate itself to do so prior to the scheduled maturity thereof in any manner (including by the exercise of any right of setoff), or make any payment in violation of any subordination, standstill or collateral sharing terms of or governing any Indebtedness in excess of \$500,000, except (a) the prepayment of the Credit Extensions in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, (b) regularly scheduled or mandatory repayments of Indebtedness (other than Subordinated Debt, in violation of any subordination, standstill or collateral sharing terms of or governing any such Indebtedness) permitted under this Agreement and refinancings and refundings of applicable Indebtedness in compliance with Section 7.02(b) and Section 7.02(g), and (c) payments of Intercompany Debt, subject to the applicable subordination terms related thereto (if any).

7.15 <u>Amendment, Etc. of Indebtedness</u>.

Amend, modify or change in any manner any term or condition of any Subordinated Debt Document in violation of subordination terms applicable thereto.

7.16 <u>Sanctions</u>.

Directly or indirectly, use any Credit Extension or the proceeds of any Credit Extension, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such Credit Extension or the proceeds of any Credit Extension to any Person, to fund any activities of or business with any Person, or in any Designated Jurisdiction, that, at the time of such funding, is the subject of Sanctions, or in any other manner that will result in a violation by any Person (including any Person participating in the transaction, whether as Lender, Arranger, Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer, Swingline Lender, or otherwise) of Sanctions.

7.17 <u>Massachusetts Security Corporation</u>.

With regard to any Subsidiary of a Loan Party that is a Massachusetts Security Corporation, conduct, transact or otherwise engage in any material operating or business activities other than investment activities that would not reasonably be expected to result in the loss of the Massachusetts Security Corporation's qualification as a Massachusetts security corporation under Mass. Gen. L. c. 63, §38B.

7.18 <u>Anti-Corruption Laws</u>.

Directly or indirectly, use any Credit Extension or the proceeds of any Credit Extension for any purpose which would breach the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, the UK Bribery Act 2010 and other similar anti-corruption legislation in other jurisdictions.

ARTICLE VIII

EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

8.01 <u>Events of Default</u>.

Any of the following shall constitute an Event of Default:

(a) <u>Non-Payment</u>. The Borrower or any other Loan Party fails to pay (i) when and as required to be paid herein, any amount of principal of any Loan or any L/C Obligation or deposit any funds as Cash Collateral in respect of L/C Obligations, (ii) within three (3) days after the same becomes due, any interest on any Loan or on any L/C Obligation, or (iii) within five (5) days after the same becomes due, any fee due hereunder, or any other amount payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document; or

(b) <u>Specific Covenants</u>. (i) Any Loan Party fails to perform or observe any term, covenant or agreement contained in any of <u>Section 6.01</u>, <u>6.02</u>, <u>6.03</u>, <u>6.05</u>, <u>6.07</u>, <u>6.10</u>, <u>6.11</u>, <u>6.13</u>, <u>6.14</u>, <u>6.19</u>, <u>Article VII</u> or <u>Section 10.01</u> or (ii) any of the Loan Parties fails to perform or observe any term, covenant or agreement contained in Sections 4 or 7 of the Security Agreement; or

(c) <u>Other Defaults</u>. Any Loan Party fails to perform or observe any other covenant or agreement (not specified in <u>Section 8.01(a)</u> or (b) above) contained in any Loan Document on its part to be performed or observed and such failure continues for thirty (30) days after the earlier of (i) delivery of written notice thereof to such Loan Party by the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders or (ii) a Responsible Officer of such Loan Party gains knowledge thereof; or

(d) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. Any representation, warranty, certification or statement of fact made or deemed made by or on behalf of the Borrower or any other Loan Party herein, in any other Loan Document, or in any document delivered in connection herewith or therewith shall be incorrect or misleading in any material respect (except that such materiality qualifier shall not be applicable to any representations, warranties, certificates or statement of fact that already are qualified or modified by materiality in the text thereof) when made or deemed made; or

(e) <u>Cross-Default</u>. (i) Any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof (A) fails to make any payment when due (whether by scheduled maturity, required prepayment, acceleration, demand, or otherwise) in respect of any Indebtedness or Guarantee (other than Indebtedness hereunder and Indebtedness under Swap Contracts) having an aggregate principal amount (including undrawn committed or available amounts and including amounts owing to all creditors under any combined or syndicated credit arrangement) of more than the Threshold Amount, or (B) fails to observe or perform any other agreement or condition relating to any such Indebtedness or Guarantee or contained in any instrument or agreement evidencing, securing or relating thereto, or any other event occurs, the effect of which default or other event is to cause, or to permit the holder or holders of such Indebtedness or the beneficiary or beneficiaries of such Guarantee (or a trustee or agent on behalf of such holder or holders or beneficiary or beneficiaries) to cause, with the giving of notice if required, such Indebtedness to be demanded or to become due or to be repurchased, prepaid, defeased or redeemed (automatically or otherwise), or an offer to repurchase, prepay, defease or redeem such Indebtedness to be made, prior to its stated maturity, or such Guarantee to become payable or cash collateral in respect thereof to be demanded; or (ii) there occurs under any Swap Contract an Early Termination Date (as defined in such Swap Contract) resulting from (A) any event of default under such Swap Contract as to which a Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof is an Affected Party (as so defined) and, in either event, the Swap Termination Value owed by such Loan Party or such Subsidiary as a result thereof is greater than the Threshold Amount; or

(f) <u>Insolvency Proceedings, Etc.</u> Any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof institutes or consents to the institution of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law, or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or applies for or consents to the appointment of any receiver, trustee, custodian, conservator, liquidator, rehabilitator or similar officer for it or for all or any material part of its property; or any receiver, trustee, custodian, conservator, liquidator, rehabilitator or similar officer is appointed without the application or consent of such Person and the appointment continues undischarged or unstayed for sixty (60) calendar days; or any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law relating to any such Person or to all or any material part of its property is instituted without the consent of such Person and continues undismissed or unstayed for sixty (60) calendar days, or an order for relief is entered in any such proceeding; or

(g) <u>Inability to Pay Debts; Attachment</u>. (i) Any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof becomes unable or admits in writing its inability or fails generally to pay its debts as they become due, or (ii) any writ or warrant of attachment or execution or similar process is issued or levied against all or any material part of the property of any such Person and is not released, vacated or fully bonded within thirty (30) days after its issue or levy; or

(h) <u>Judgments</u>. There is entered against any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof (i) one or more final judgments or orders for the payment of money in an aggregate amount (as to all such judgments and orders) exceeding the Threshold Amount (to the extent not covered by independent third-party insurance as to which the insurer is rated at least "A" by A.M. Best Company, has been notified of the potential claim and acknowledges coverage), or (ii) any one or more non-monetary final judgments that have, or could reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect and, in either case, (A) enforcement proceedings are commenced by any creditor upon such judgment or order, or (B) there is a period of ten (10) consecutive days during which a stay of enforcement of such judgment, by reason of a pending appeal or otherwise, is not in effect; or

(i) <u>ERISA</u>. (i) An ERISA Event occurs with respect to a Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan which has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in liability of any Loan Party under Title IV of ERISA to the Pension Plan, Multiemployer Plan or the PBGC in an aggregate amount in excess of the Threshold Amount, or (ii) the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate fails to pay when due, after the expiration of any applicable grace period, any installment payment with respect to its withdrawal liability under Section 4201 of ERISA under a Multiemployer Plan in an aggregate amount in excess of the Threshold Amount; or

(j) <u>Invalidity of Loan Documents</u>. Any provision of any Loan Document, at any time after its execution and delivery and for any reason other than as expressly permitted hereunder or thereunder or satisfaction in full of all Obligations, ceases to be in full force and effect; or any Loan Party or any other Person contests in any manner the validity or enforceability of any provision of any Loan Document; any Loan Party denies that it has any or further liability or obligation under any provision of any Loan Document, or purports to revoke, terminate or rescind any provision of any Loan Document; or it is or becomes unlawful for a Loan Party to perform (in all material respects) any of its obligations under the Loan Documents; or

(k) <u>Collateral Documents</u>. Collateral Document after delivery thereof pursuant to the terms of the Loan Documents shall for any reason cease to create a valid and perfected first priority Lien (subject to Permitted Liens) on the Collateral purported to be covered thereby, or any Loan Party shall assert the invalidity of such Liens, except (i) as a result of the sale or other disposition of the applicable Collateral in a transaction permitted under the Loan Documents, (ii) as a result of the release thereof as provided in <u>Section 9.10</u> or any other Loan Document, or (iii) solely as a result of the Administrative Agent's failure to take action within its control (other than to the extent resulting from of any action or inaction by any Loan Party not permitted under the Loan Documents) with respect to Collateral with an aggregate value not in excess of \$5,000,000; or

(l) <u>Change of Control</u>. There occurs any Change of Control; or

(m) <u>Uninsured Loss</u>. Any uninsured damage to or loss, theft or destruction of any assets of the Loan Parties or any of their Subsidiaries shall occur that is in excess of the Threshold Amount; or

(n) <u>Subordination</u>. (i) Any of the subordination, standstill, pay-over and insolvency related provisions of any of the Subordinated Debt Documents (the "<u>Subordinated Provisions</u>") shall, in whole or in part, terminate, cease to be effective or cease to be legally valid, binding and enforceable against any holder of the applicable Subordinated Debt; or (ii) the Borrower, any other Loan Party or any holder of such Subordinated Debt shall, directly or indirectly, disavow or contest in any manner (A) the effectiveness, validity or enforceability of any of the Subordination Provisions, (B) that the Subordination Provisions exist for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Secured Parties or (C) that all payments of principal of or premium and interest on the applicable Subordinated Debt, or realized from the liquidation of any property of any Loan Party, shall be subject to any of the Subordination Provisions.

(o) <u>Product Recall</u>. Any mandatory product recall shall be required pursuant to any order or directive of any Governmental Authority affecting the products manufactured, sold or distributed by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, if the aggregate revenue to the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries generated by the products so recalled shall, individually or together with all other similar recalls of such products during any twelve consecutive month period, equal or exceed the Threshold Amount.

Without limiting the provisions of Article IX, if a Default shall have occurred under the Loan Documents, then such Default will continue to exist until it either is cured (to the extent specifically permitted) in accordance with the Loan Documents or is otherwise expressly waived by Administrative Agent (with the approval of requisite Appropriate Lenders (in their sole discretion) as determined in accordance with <u>Section 11.01</u>; and once an Event of Default will continue to exist until it is expressly waived by the requisite Appropriate Lenders or by the Administrative Agent with the approval of the requisite Appropriate Lenders, as required hereunder in <u>Section 11.01</u>.

8.02 <u>Remedies Upon Event of Default</u>.

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

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

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

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

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

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

8.03 <u>Application of Funds</u>.

After the exercise of remedies provided for in <u>Section 8.02</u> (or after the Loans have automatically become immediately due and payable and the L/C Obligations have automatically been required to be Cash Collateralized as set forth in the proviso to <u>Section 8.02</u>) or if at any time insufficient funds are received by and available to the Administrative Agent to pay in full in cash all Secured Obligations then due hereunder, any amounts received on account of the Secured Obligations shall, subject to the provisions of <u>Sections 2.14</u> and <u>2.15</u>, be applied by the Administrative Agent in the following order:

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

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

Third, to payment of that portion of the Secured Obligations constituting accrued and unpaid Letter of Credit Fees and interest on the Loans, L/C Borrowings and other Secured Obligations arising under the Loan Documents, ratably among the Lenders and the L/C Issuer in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Third payable to them;

<u>Fourth</u>, to payment of that portion of the Secured Obligations constituting unpaid principal of the Loans and L/C Borrowings and to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer, to Cash Collateralize that portion of L/C Obligations comprised of the aggregate undrawn amount of Letters of Credit to the extent not otherwise Cash Collateralized by the Borrower pursuant to <u>Sections 2.03</u> and <u>2.14</u>, in each case ratably among the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Fourth held by them;

<u>Fifth</u>, to payment of that portion of the Secured Obligations then owing under the Secured Hedge Agreements and Secured Cash Management Agreements, in each case ratably among the Hedge Banks and the Cash Management Banks in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Fifth held by them; and

Last, the balance, if any, after all of the Secured Obligations have been indefeasibly paid in full, to the Borrower or as otherwise required by Law.

Subject to <u>Sections 2.03(c)</u> and <u>2.14</u>, amounts used to Cash Collateralize the aggregate undrawn amount of Letters of Credit pursuant to clause Fourth above shall be applied to satisfy drawings under such Letters of Credit as they occur. If any amount remains on deposit as Cash Collateral after all Letters of Credit have either been fully drawn or expired, such remaining amount shall be applied to the other Secured Obligations, if any, in the order set forth above. Excluded Swap Obligations with respect to any Guarantor shall not be paid with amounts received from such Guarantor or its assets, but appropriate adjustments shall be made with respect to payments from other Loan Parties to preserve the allocation to Secured Obligations otherwise set forth above in this Section.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Secured Obligations arising under Secured Cash Management Agreements and Secured Hedge Agreements shall be excluded from the application described above if the Administrative Agent has not received a Secured Party Designation Notice, together with such supporting documentation as the Administrative Agent may request, from the applicable Cash Management Bank or Hedge Bank, as the case may be. Each Cash Management Bank or Hedge Bank not a party to this Agreement that has given the notice contemplated by the preceding sentence shall, by such notice, be deemed to have acknowledged and accepted the appointment of the Administrative Agent pursuant to the terms of Article IX for itself and its Affiliates as if a "Lender" party hereto.

ARTICLE IX

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT

9.01 <u>Appointment and Authority</u>.

(a) <u>Appointment</u>. Each of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer hereby irrevocably appoints, designates and authorizes Bank of America to act on its behalf as the Administrative Agent hereunder and under the other Loan Documents and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such actions on its behalf and to exercise such powers as are delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms hereof or thereof, together with such actions and powers as are reasonably incidental thereto. The provisions of this Article are solely for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer, and neither the Borrower nor any other Loan Party shall have rights as a third party beneficiary of any of such provisions (except, as it relates to the Loan Parties, with respect to <u>Section 9.06</u>). It is understood and agreed that the use of the term "agent" herein or in any other Loan Documents (or any other similar term) with reference to the Administrative Agent is not intended to connote any fiduciary or other implied (or express) obligations arising under agency doctrine of any applicable Law. Instead such term is used as a matter of market custom, and is intended to create or reflect only an administrative relationship between contracting parties.

(b) <u>Collateral Agent</u>. The Administrative Agent shall also act as the "collateral agent" under the Loan Documents, and each of the Lenders (including in its capacities as a potential Hedge Bank and a potential Cash Management Bank) and the L/C Issuer hereby irrevocably appoints and authorizes the Administrative Agent to act as the agent of such Lender and the L/C Issuer for purposes of acquiring, holding and enforcing any and all Liens on Collateral granted by any of the Loan Parties to secure any of the Secured Obligations, together with such powers and discretion as are reasonably incidental thereto. In this connection, the Administrative Agent, as "collateral agent" and any co-agents, sub-agents and attorneys-in-fact appointed by the Administrative Agent pursuant to <u>Section 9.05</u> for purposes of holding or enforcing any Lien on the Collateral (or any portion thereof) granted under the Collateral Documents, or for exercising any rights and remedies thereunder at the direction of the Administrative Agent), shall be entitled to the benefits of all provisions of this <u>Article IX</u> and <u>Article XI</u> (including <u>Section 11.04(c)</u>, as though such co-agents, sub-agents and attorneys-in-fact were the "collateral agent" under the Loan Documents) as if set forth in full herein with respect thereto.

9.02 <u>Rights as a Lender</u>.

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

9.03 <u>Exculpatory Provisions</u>.

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

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

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

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

Neither the Administrative Agent nor any of its Related Parties shall be liable for any action taken or not taken by the Administrative Agent under or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document or the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby (i) with the consent or at the request of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary), or as the Administrative Agent shall believe in good faith shall be necessary, under the circumstances as provided in <u>Sections 11.01</u> and <u>8.02</u> or (ii) in the absence of its own gross negligence or willful misconduct as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment. The Administrative Agent shall be deemed not to have knowledge of any Default unless and until notice describing such Default is given in writing to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower, a Lender or the L/C Issuer.

Neither the Administrative Agent nor any of its Related Parties have any duty or obligation to any Lender or participant or any other Person to ascertain or inquire into (i) any statement, warranty or representation made in or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (ii) the contents of any certificate, report or other document delivered hereunder or thereunder or in connection herewith or therewith, (iii) the performance or observance of any of the covenants, agreements or other terms or conditions set forth herein or therein or the occurrence of any Default, (iv) the validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document, or the creation, perfection or priority of any Lien purported to be created by the Collateral Documents, (v) the value or the sufficiency of any Collateral, or (vi) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article IV or elsewhere herein, other than to confirm receipt of items expressly required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent.

9.04 <u>Reliance by Administrative Agent</u>.

The Administrative Agent shall be entitled to rely upon, and shall be fully protected in relying upon and shall not incur any liability for relying upon, any notice, request, certificate, communication, consent, statement, instrument, document or other writing (including any electronic message, Internet or intranet website posting or other distribution) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed, sent or otherwise authenticated by the proper Person. The Administrative Agent also may rely upon any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed by it to have been made by the proper Person, and shall be fully protected in relying thereon and shall not incur any liability for relying thereon. In determining compliance with any condition hereunder to the making of a Loan, or the issuance, extension, renewal or increase of a Letter of Credit, that by its terms must be fulfilled to the satisfaction of a Lender or the L/C Issuer, the Administrative Agent may presume that such condition is satisfactory to such Lender or the L/C Issuer unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice to the contrary from such Lender or the L/C Issuer prior to the making of such Loan or the issuance of such Letter of Credit. The Administrative Agent may consult with legal counsel (who may be counsel for the Loan Parties), independent accountants and other experts selected by it, and shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it in accordance with the advice of any such counsel, accountants or experts. For purposes of determining compliance with the conditions specified in <u>Section 4.01</u>, each Lender that has signed this Agreement shall be deemed to have consented to, approved or accepted or to be satisfied with, each document or other matter required thereunder to be consented to or approved by or acceptable or satisfactory to a Lender unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from such Lender prior to the proposed Closing Date specifying its objections.

9.05 <u>Delegation of Duties</u>.

The Administrative Agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers hereunder or under any other Loan Document by or through any one or more sub-agents appointed by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers by or through their respective Related Parties. The exculpatory provisions of this Article shall apply to any such sub-agent and to the Related Parties of the Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent, and shall apply to their respective activities in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided herein as well as activities as Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent shall not be responsible for the negligence or misconduct of any sub-agents except to the extent that a court of competent jurisdiction determines in a final and nonappealable judgment that the Administrative Agent acted with gross negligence or willful misconduct in the selection of such sub-agents.

9.06 <u>Resignation of Administrative Agent</u>.

(a) Notice. The Administrative Agent may at any time give notice of its resignation to the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Borrower. Upon receipt of any such notice of resignation, the Required Lenders shall have the right, in consultation with the Borrower, to appoint a successor, which shall be a bank with an office in the United States, or an Affiliate of any such bank with an office in the United States. If no such successor shall have been so appointed by the Required Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within thirty (30) days after the retiring Administrative Agent gives notice of its resignation (or such earlier day as shall be agreed by the Required Lenders) (the "Resignation Effective Date"), then the retiring Administrative Agent may (but shall not be obligated to) on behalf of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer, appoint a successor Administrative Agent meeting the qualifications set forth above; provided that in no event shall any successor Administrative Agent be a Defaulting Lender. Whether or not a successor has been appointed, such resignation shall become effective in accordance with such notice on the Resignation Effective Date.

(b) <u>Defaulting Lender</u>. If the Person serving as Administrative Agent is a Defaulting Lender pursuant to clause (d) of the definition thereof, the Required Lenders may, to the extent permitted by applicable Law, by notice in writing to the Borrower and such Person remove such Person as Administrative Agent and, in consultation with the Borrower, appoint a successor. If no such successor shall have been so appointed by the Required Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within thirty (30) days (or such earlier day as shall be agreed by the Required Lenders) (the "<u>Removal Effective Date</u>"), then such removal shall nonetheless become effective in accordance with such notice on the Removal Effective Date.

Effect of Resignation or Removal. With effect from the Resignation Effective Date or the Removal Effective Date (as (c) applicable) (i) the retiring or removed Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder and under the other Loan Documents (except that in the case of any collateral security held by the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Lenders or the L/C Issuer under any of the Loan Documents, the retiring or removed Administrative Agent shall continue to hold such collateral security until such time as a successor Administrative Agent is appointed) and (ii) except for any indemnity payments or other amounts then owed to the retiring or removed Administrative Agent, all payments, communications and determinations provided to be made by, to or through the Administrative Agent shall instead be made by or to each Lender and the L/C Issuer directly, until such time, if any, as the Required Lenders appoint a successor Administrative Agent as provided for above. Upon the acceptance of a successor's appointment as Administrative Agent hereunder, such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring (or removed) Administrative Agent (other than as provided in Section 3.01(g) and other than any rights to indemnity payments or other amounts owed to the retiring or removed Administrative Agent as of the Resignation Effective Date or the Removal Effective Date, as applicable), and the retiring or removed Administrative Agent shall be discharged from all of its duties and obligations hereunder or under the other Loan Documents (if not already discharged therefrom as provided above in this Section). The fees payable by the Borrower to a successor Administrative Agent shall be the same as those payable to its predecessor unless otherwise agreed between the Borrower and such successor. After the retiring or removed Administrative Agent's resignation or removal hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, the provisions of this Article and Section 11.04 shall continue in effect for the benefit of such retiring or removed Administrative Agent, its sub agents and their respective Related Parties in respect of any actions taken or omitted to be taken by any of them (i) while the retiring or removed Administrative Agent was acting as Administrative Agent and (ii) after such resignation or removal for as long as any of them continues to act in any capacity hereunder or under the other Loan Documents, including, without limitation, (A) acting as collateral agent or otherwise holding any collateral security on behalf of any of the Secured Parties and (B) in respect of any actions taken in connection with transferring the agency to any successor Administrative Agent.

(d) <u>L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender</u>. Any resignation by or removal of Bank of America as Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section shall also constitute its resignation as L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender. If Bank of America resigns as an L/C Issuer, it shall retain all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the L/C Issuer hereunder with respect to all Letters of Credit outstanding as of the effective date of its resignation as L/C Obligations with respect thereto, including the right to require the Lenders to make Base Rate Loans or fund risk participations in Unreimbursed Amounts pursuant to <u>Section 2.03(c)</u>. If Bank of America resigns as Swingline Lender, it shall retain all the rights of the Swingline Lender provided for hereunder with respect to Swingline Loans made by it and outstanding as of the effective date of such resignation, including the right to require the Lenders to make Base Rate Loans or fund risk participations in outstanding the right to require the Lenders to make Base Rate Loans or fund risk participations in outstanding swingline Loans pursuant to <u>Section 2.04(c)</u>. Upon the appointment by the Borrower of a successor L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender hereunder (which successor shall in all cases be a Lender other than a Defaulting Lender), (i) such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender, as applicable, (ii) the retiring L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender shall be discharged from all of their respective duties and obligations hereunder or under the other Loan Documents, and (iii) the successor L/C Issuer shall issue letters of credit in substitution for the Letters of Credit, if any, outstanding at the time of such succession or make other arrangements satisfactory to Bank of America to effectively assume the obligations of Bank of America with respect to such Letters of Credit.

9.07 <u>Non-Reliance on Administrative Agent and Other Lenders</u>.

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

9.08 <u>No Other Duties, Etc</u>.

Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, none of the titles listed on the cover page hereof shall have any powers, duties or responsibilities under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents, except in its capacity, as applicable, as the Administrative Agent, the Arranger, a Lender or the L/C Issuer hereunder.

9.09 Administrative Agent May File Proofs of Claim; Credit Bidding.

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

(a) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of the principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Loans, L/C Obligations and all other Secured Obligations that are owing and unpaid and to file such other documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent under Sections 2.03(h) and (i), 2.09, 2.10(b) and 11.04) allowed in such judicial proceeding; and

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

and any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Lender and the L/C Issuer to make such payments to the Administrative Agent and, in the event that the Administrative Agent shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer, to pay to the Administrative Agent any amount due for the reasonable compensation, out-of-pocket expenses, disbursements and advances of the Administrative Agent and its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Administrative Agent under <u>Sections 2.09</u>, <u>2.10(b)</u> and <u>11.04</u>.

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

The Secured Parties hereby irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent, at the direction of the Required Lenders, to credit bid all or any portion of the Secured Obligations (including accepting some or all of the Collateral in satisfaction of some or all of the Secured Obligations pursuant to a deed in lieu of foreclosure or otherwise) and in such manner purchase (either directly or through one or more acquisition vehicles) all or any portion of the Collateral (a) at any sale thereof conducted under the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, including under Sections 363, 1123 or 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, or any similar Laws in any other jurisdictions to which a Loan Party is subject, (b) at any other sale or foreclosure or acceptance of collateral in lieu of debt conducted by (or with the consent or at the direction of) the Administrative Agent (whether by judicial action or otherwise) in accordance with any applicable Law. In connection with any such credit bid and purchase, the Secured Obligations owed to the Secured Parties shall be entitled to be, and shall be, credit bid on a ratable basis (with Secured Obligations with respect to contingent or unliquidated claims receiving contingent interests in the acquired assets on a ratable basis that would vest upon the liquidation of such claims in an amount proportional to the liquidated portion of the contingent claim amount used in allocating the contingent interests) in the asset or assets so purchased (or in the Equity Interests or debt instruments of the acquisition vehicle or vehicles that are used to consummate such purchase). In connection with any such bid (i) the Administrative Agent shall be authorized to form one or more acquisition vehicles to make a bid, (ii) to adopt documents providing for the governance of the acquisition vehicle or vehicles (provided that any actions by the Administrative Agent with respect to such acquisition vehicle or vehicles, including any disposition of the assets or Equity Interests thereof shall be governed, directly or indirectly, by the vote of the Required Lenders, irrespective of the termination of this Agreement and without giving effect to the limitations on actions by the Required Lenders contained in clauses (a) through (j) of Section 11.01 of this Agreement, and (iii) to the extent that Secured Obligations that are assigned to an acquisition vehicle are not used to acquire Collateral for any reason (as a result of another bid being higher or better, because the amount of Secured Obligations assigned to the acquisition vehicle exceeds the amount of debt credit bid by the acquisition vehicle or otherwise), such Secured Obligations shall automatically be reassigned to the Lenders pro rata and the Equity Interests and/or debt instruments issued by any acquisition vehicle on account of the Secured Obligations that had been assigned to the acquisition vehicle shall automatically be cancelled, without the need for any Secured Party or any acquisition vehicle to take any further action.

9.10 Collateral and Guaranty Matters.

Each of the Lenders (including in its capacities as a potential Cash Management Bank and a potential Hedge Bank) and the L/C Issuer irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent, at its option and in its discretion,

(a) to release any Lien on any property granted to or held by the Administrative Agent under any Loan Document (i) upon the Facility Termination Date, (ii) that is sold or otherwise disposed of or to be sold or otherwise disposed of as part of or in connection with any sale or other disposition permitted hereunder or under any other Loan Document, or (iii) if approved, authorized or ratified in writing by the Required Lenders in accordance with Section 11.01;

(b) to subordinate any Lien on any property granted to or held by the Administrative Agent under any Loan Document to the holder of any Lien on such property that is permitted by Section 7.01(i); and

(c) to release any Guarantor from its obligations under the Guaranty if such Person ceases to be a Subsidiary or a Loan Party as a result of a transaction permitted under the Loan Documents.

Upon request by the Administrative Agent at any time, the Required Lenders will confirm in writing the Administrative Agent's authority to release or subordinate its interest in particular types or items of property, or to release any Guarantor from its obligations under the Guaranty pursuant to this <u>Section 9.10</u>. In each case as specified in this <u>Section 9.10</u>, the Administrative Agent will, at the Borrower's expense, execute and deliver to the applicable Loan Party such documents as such Loan Party may reasonably request to evidence the release of such item of Collateral from the assignment and security interest granted under the Collateral Documents or to subordinate its interest in such item, or to release such Guarantor from its obligations under the Guaranty, in each case in accordance with the terms of the Loan Documents and this <u>Section 9.10</u>.

The Administrative Agent shall not be responsible for or have a duty to ascertain or inquire into any representation or warranty regarding the existence, value or collectability of the Collateral, the existence, priority or perfection of the Administrative Agent's Lien thereon, or any certificate prepared by any Loan Party in connection therewith, nor shall the Administrative Agent be responsible or liable to the Lenders for any failure to monitor or maintain any portion of the Collateral.

9.11 Secured Cash Management Agreements and Secured Hedge Agreements.

Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, no Cash Management Bank or Hedge Bank that obtains the benefit of the provisions of <u>Section 8.03</u>, the Guaranty or any Collateral by virtue of the provisions hereof or any Collateral Document shall have any right to notice of any action or to consent to, direct or object to any action hereunder or under any other Loan Document or otherwise in respect of the Collateral (including the release or impairment of any Collateral) (or to provide notice of or to consent to any amendment, waiver or modification of the provisions hereof or of the Guaranty or any Collateral Document) other than in its capacity as a Lender and, in such case, only to the extent expressly provided in the Loan Documents. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article IX to the contrary, the Administrative Agent shall not be required to verify the payment of, or that other satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to, Secured Obligations arising under Secured Cash Management Agreements and Secured Hedge Agreements except to the extent expressly provided herein and unless the Administrative Agent may request, from the applicable Cash Management Bank or Hedge Bank, as the case may be. The Administrative Agent shall not be required to verify the payment shave been made with respect to, Secured Obligations, together with such supporting documentation as the Administrative Agent may request, from the applicable Cash Management Bank or Hedge Bank, as the case may be. The Administrative Agent shall not be required to verify the payment of, or that other satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to, Secured Obligations, together with such supporting documentation as the Administrative Agent may request, from the applicable Cash Management Bank or Hedge Bank, as the case may be. The Administrative Agent shall not be required to verify the payment of, or that other satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to, Secured Obligations arising under Secured Hedge Agreemen

ARTICLE X

CONTINUING GUARANTY

10.01 <u>Guaranty</u>.

Each Guarantor hereby absolutely and unconditionally, jointly and severally guarantees, as primary obligor and as a guaranty of payment and performance and not merely as a guaranty of collection, prompt payment when due, whether at stated maturity, by required prepayment, upon acceleration, demand or otherwise, and at all times thereafter, of any and all Secured Obligations (for each Guarantor, subject to the proviso in this sentence, its "<u>Guaranteed Obligations</u>"); provided that (a) the Guaranteed Obligations of a Guarantor shall exclude any Excluded Swap Obligations with respect to such Guarantor and (b) the liability of each Guarantor individually with respect to this Guaranty shall be limited to an aggregate amount equal to the largest amount that would not render its obligations hereunder subject to avoidance under Section 548 of the Bankruptcy Code of the United States or any comparable provisions of any applicable state law or other applicable Law. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Guaranteed Obligations shall include any such indebtedness, obligations, and liabilities, or portion thereof, which may be or hereafter become unenforceable or compromised or shall be an allowed or disallowed claim under any proceeding or case commenced by or against any Debtor under any Debtor Relief Laws. The Administrative Agent's books and records showing the amount of the Obligations shall be admissible in evidence in any action or proceeding, and shall be binding upon each Guarantor, and conclusive for the purpose of establishing the amount of the Secured Obligations (absent manifest error). This Guaranty shall not be affected Obligations which might otherwise constitute a defense to the obligations of the Guarantor, or any of them, under this Guaranty, and each Guarantor hereby irrevocably waives any defenses it may now have or hereafter acquire in any way relating to any or all of the foregoing.

10.02 <u>Rights of Lenders</u>.

Each Guarantor consents and agrees that the Secured Parties may, at any time and from time to time, without notice or demand, and without affecting the enforceability or continuing effectiveness hereof: (a) amend, extend, renew, compromise, discharge, accelerate or otherwise change the time for payment or the terms of the Secured Obligations or any part thereof; (b) take, hold, exchange, enforce, waive, release, fail to perfect, sell, or otherwise dispose of any security for the payment of this Guaranty or any Secured Obligations; (c) apply such security and direct the order or manner of sale thereof as the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders in their sole discretion may determine; and (d) release or substitute one or more of any endorsers or other guarantors of any of the Secured Obligations. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Guarantor consents to the taking of, or failure to take, any action which might in any manner or to any extent vary the risks of such Guarantor under this Guaranty or which, but for this provision, might operate as a discharge of such Guarantor.

10.03 <u>Certain Waivers</u>.

Each Guarantor waives (a) any defense arising by reason of any disability or other defense of the Borrower or any other guarantor, or the cessation from any cause whatsoever (including any act or omission of any Secured Party) of the liability of the Borrower or any other Loan Party; (b) any defense based on any claim that such Guarantor's obligations exceed or are more burdensome than those of the Borrower or any other Loan Party; (c) the benefit of any statute of limitations affecting any Guarantor's liability hereunder; (d) any right to proceed against the Borrower or any other Loan Party, proceed against or exhaust any security for the Secured Obligations, or pursue any other remedy in the power of any Secured Party whatsoever; (e) any benefit of and any right to participate in any security now or hereafter held by any Secured Party; and (f) to the fullest extent permitted by law, any and all other defenses or benefits that may be derived from or afforded by applicable Law limiting the liability of or exonerating guarantors or sureties. Each Guarantor expressly waives all setoffs and counterclaims and all presentments, demands for payment or performance, notices of nonpayment or nonperformance, protests, notices of protest, notices of dishonor and all other notices or demands of any kind or nature whatsoever with respect to the Secured Obligations, and all notices of acceptance of this Guaranty or of the existence, creation or incurrence of new or additional Secured Obligations.

10.04 **Obligations Independent**.

The obligations of each Guarantor hereunder are those of primary obligor, and not merely as surety, and are independent of the Secured Obligations and the obligations of any other guarantor, and a separate action may be brought against each Guarantor to enforce this Guaranty whether or not the Borrower or any other person or entity is joined as a party.

10.05 Subrogation.

No Guarantor shall exercise any right of subrogation, contribution, indemnity, reimbursement or similar rights with respect to any payments it makes under this Guaranty until all of the Secured Obligations and any amounts payable under this Guaranty have been indefeasibly paid and performed in full and the Commitments and the Revolving Facility are terminated. If any amounts are paid to a Guarantor in violation of the foregoing limitation, then such amounts shall be held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties and shall forthwith be paid to the Secured Parties to reduce the amount of the Secured Obligations, whether matured or unmatured.

10.06 Termination; Reinstatement.

This Guaranty is a continuing and irrevocable guaranty of all Secured Obligations now or hereafter existing and shall remain in full force and effect until the Facility Termination Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Guaranty shall continue in full force and effect or be revived, as the case may be, if any payment by or on behalf of the Borrower or a Guarantor is made, or any of the Secured Parties exercises its right of setoff, in respect of the Secured Obligations and such payment or the proceeds of such setoff or any part thereof is subsequently invalidated, declared to be fraudulent or preferential, set aside or required (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by any of the Secured Parties in their discretion) to be repaid to a trustee, receiver or any other party, in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Laws or otherwise, all as if such payment had not been made or such setoff had not occurred and whether or not the Secured Parties are in possession of or have released this Guaranty and regardless of any prior revocation, rescission, termination or reduction. The obligations of each Guarantor under this paragraph shall survive termination of this Guaranty.

10.07 <u>Stay of Acceleration</u>.

If acceleration of the time for payment of any of the Secured Obligations is stayed, in connection with any case commenced by or against a Guarantor or the Borrower under any Debtor Relief Laws, or otherwise, all such amounts shall nonetheless be payable by each Guarantor, jointly and severally, immediately upon demand by the Secured Parties.

10.08 <u>Condition of Borrower</u>.

Each Guarantor acknowledges and agrees that it has the sole responsibility for, and has adequate means of, obtaining from the Borrower and any other guarantor such information concerning the financial condition, business and operations of the Borrower and any such other guarantor as such Guarantor requires, and that none of the Secured Parties has any duty, and such Guarantor is not relying on the Secured Parties at any time, to disclose to it any information relating to the business, operations or financial condition of the Borrower or any other guarantor (each Guarantor waiving any duty on the part of the Secured Parties to disclose such information and any defense relating to the failure to provide the same).

10.09 Appointment of Borrower.

Each of the Loan Parties hereby appoints the Borrower to act as its agent for all purposes of this Agreement, the other Loan Documents and all other documents and electronic platforms entered into in connection herewith and agrees that (a) the Borrower may execute such documents and provide such authorizations on behalf of such Loan Parties as the Borrower deems appropriate in its sole discretion and each Loan Party shall be obligated by all of the terms of any such document and/or authorization executed on its behalf, (b) any notice or communication delivered by the Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer or a Lender to the Borrower shall be deemed delivered to each Loan Party and (c) the Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer or the Lenders may accept, and be permitted to rely on, any document, authorization, instrument or agreement executed by the Borrower on behalf of each of the Loan Parties.

10.10 Right of Contribution.

The Guarantors agree among themselves that, in connection with payments made hereunder, each Guarantor shall have contribution rights against the other Guarantors as permitted under applicable Law.

10.11 Keepwell.

Each Loan Party that is a Qualified ECP Guarantor at the time the Guaranty or the grant of a Lien under the Loan Documents, in each case, by any Specified Loan Party becomes effective with respect to any Swap Obligation, hereby jointly and severally, absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably undertakes to provide such funds or other support to each Specified Loan Party with respect to such Swap Obligation as may be needed by such Specified Loan Party from time to time to honor all of its obligations under the Loan Documents in respect of such Swap Obligation (but, in each case, only up to the maximum amount of such liability that can be hereby incurred without rendering such Qualified ECP Guarantor's obligations and undertakings under this Article X voidable under applicable law relating to fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer, and not for any greater amount). The obligations and undertakings of each Qualified ECP Guarantor under this Section shall remain in full force and effect until the Secured Obligations have been indefeasibly paid and performed in full. Each Loan Party intends this Section to constitute, and this Section shall be deemed to constitute, a guarantee of the obligations of, and a "keepwell, support, or other agreement" for the benefit of, each Specified Loan Party for all purposes of the Commodity Exchange Act.

ARTICLE XI

MISCELLANEOUS

11.01 <u>Amendments, Etc</u>.

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

(a) waive any condition set forth in <u>Section 4.01</u>, or, in the case of the initial Credit Extension, <u>Section 4.02</u>, without the written consent of each Lender;

(b) without limiting the generality of clause (a) above, waive any condition set forth in <u>Section 4.02</u> without the written consent of the Required Lenders;

(c) extend or increase the Commitment of any Lender (or reinstate any Commitment terminated pursuant to Section 8.02) without the written consent of such Lender (it being understood and agreed that a waiver of any condition precedent in <u>Section 4.02</u> or of any Default or a mandatory reduction in Commitments is not considered an extension or increase in Commitments of any Lender);

(d) postpone any date fixed by this Agreement or any other Loan Document for any payment (excluding mandatory prepayments) of principal, interest, fees or other amounts due to the Lenders (or any of them) hereunder or under such other Loan Document without the written consent of each Lender entitled to such payment;

(e) reduce the principal of, or the rate of interest specified herein on, any Loan or L/C Borrowing, or (subject to clause (iv) of the second proviso to this <u>Section 11.01</u>) any fees or other amounts payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that only the consent of the Required Lenders shall be necessary (i) to amend the definition of "Default Rate" or to waive any obligation of the Borrower to pay interest or Letter of Credit Fees at the Default Rate or (ii) to amend any financial covenant hereunder (or any defined term used therein) even if the effect of such amendment would be to reduce the rate of interest on any Loan or L/C Borrowing or to reduce any fee payable hereunder;

(f) change <u>Section 8.03</u>, or <u>Section 2.13</u> in a manner that would alter the pro rata sharing of payments required thereby without the written consent of each Lender or (ii) <u>2.12(f)</u> in a manner that would alter the pro rata application required thereby without the written consent of each Lender directly affected thereby;

(g) change (i) any provision of this <u>Section 11.01</u> or the definition of "Required Lenders" or any other provision of any Loan Document specifying the number or percentage of Lenders required to amend, waive or otherwise modify any rights hereunder or thereunder or make any determination or grant any consent hereunder, without the written consent of each Lender;

(h) release all or substantially all of the Collateral in any transaction or series of related transactions, without the written consent of each Lender;

(i) release all or substantially all of the value of the Guaranty, without the written consent of each Lender, except to the extent the release of any Subsidiary from the Guaranty is permitted pursuant to <u>Section 9.10</u> (in which case such release may be made by the Administrative Agent acting alone); or

(j) release the Borrower or permit the Borrower to assign or transfer any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement or the other Loan Documents without the consent of each Lender;

and <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that (i) no amendment, waiver or consent shall, unless in writing and signed by the L/C Issuer in addition to the Lenders required above, affect the rights or duties of the L/C Issuer under this Agreement or any Issuer Document relating to any Letter of Credit issued or to be issued by it; (ii) no amendment, waiver or consent shall, unless in writing and signed by the Swingline Lender in addition to the Lenders required above, affect the rights or duties of the Swingline Lender under this Agreement; (iii) no amendment, waiver or consent shall, unless in writing and signed by the Administrative Agent in addition to the Lenders required above, affect the rights or duties of the Administrative Agent under this Agreement or any other Loan Document; (iv) the Fee Letter may be amended, or rights or privileges thereunder waived, in a writing executed only by the parties thereto. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, (A) no Defaulting Lender shall have any right to approve or disapprove any amendment, waiver or consent hereunder (and any amendment, waiver or consent which by its terms requires the consent of all Lenders or each affected Lender, or all Lenders or each affected Lender, may be effected with the consent of such Lender and (2) any waiver, amendment or modification requiring the consent of all Lenders or each affected Lender, or all Lenders or each affected Lender, that by its terms affected Lender is entitled to vote as such Lender sees fit on any bankruptcy reorganization plan that affects the Loans, and each Lender acknowledges that the provisions of Section 1126(c) of the Bankruptcy Code of the United States supersedes the unanimous consent provisions set forth herein and (C) the Required Lenders shall determine whether or not to allow a Loan Party to use cash collateral in the context of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding and such determination shall be binding on all of the Lenders.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein (including the other provisions of this <u>Section 11.01</u>) (a) the Administrative Agent may, with the prior written consent of the Borrower only, amend, modify or supplement this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents to cure any ambiguity, omission, mistake, defect or inconsistency, and (b) this Agreement may be amended, amended and restated or otherwise supplemented or modified without the consent of any Lender (but with the consent of Borrower and the Administrative Agent) if, upon giving effect to such amendment, amendment and restatement or other supplement or modification, such Lender shall no longer be a party to this Agreement (as so amended, amended and restated or otherwise supplemented or modified), the Commitments of such Lender shall have terminated (but such Lender shall be entitled to the benefits of the provisions of this Agreement which expressly survive the termination of such Lender's Commitments), such Lender shall have no other obligation to provide additional Credit Extensions to the Borrower under this Agreement and such Lender shall have been paid in full all Obligations owing to it or accrued for its account under this Agreement.

If any Lender does not consent to a proposed amendment, waiver, consent or release with respect to any Loan Document that requires the consent of each Lender and that has been approved by the Required Lenders, the Borrower may replace such Non-Consenting Lender in accordance with <u>Section 11.13</u>; <u>provided</u> that such amendment, waiver, consent or release can be effected as a result of the assignment contemplated by such Section (together with all other such assignments required by the Borrower to be made pursuant to this paragraph).

11.02 Notices; Effectiveness; Electronic Communications.

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

(i) if to the Borrower or any other Loan Party, the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or the Swingline Lender, to the address, fax number, e-mail address or telephone number specified for such Person on <u>Schedule 1.01(a)</u>; and

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

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

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

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

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

(d) <u>Change of Address, Etc.</u> Each of the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Swingline Lender may change its address, fax number or e-mail address for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the other parties hereto. Each other Lender may change its address, fax number or telephone number or e-mail address for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Swingline Lender. In addition, each Lender agrees to notify the Administrative Agent from time to time to ensure that the Administrative Agent has on record (i) an effective address, contact name, telephone number, fax number and e-mail address to which notices and other communications may be sent and (ii) accurate wire instructions for such Lender. Furthermore, each Public Lender agrees to cause at least one (1) individual at or on behalf of such Public Lender to at all times have selected the "Private Side Information" or similar designation on the content declaration screen of the Platform in order to enable such Public Lender or its delegate, in accordance with such Public Lender's compliance procedures and applicable Law, including United States federal and state securities Laws, to make reference to Borrower Materials that are not made available through the "Public Side Information" portion of the Platform and that may contain material non-public information with respect to the Borrower or its securities for purposes of United States federal or state securities laws.

(e) <u>Reliance by Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Lenders</u>. The Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders shall be entitled to rely and act upon any notices (including, without limitation, telephonic or electronic notices, Loan Notices, Letter of Credit Applications, Notice of Loan Prepayment and Swingline Loan Notices) purportedly given by or on behalf of any Loan Party even if (i) such notices were not made in a manner specified herein, were incomplete or were not preceded or followed by any other form of notice specified herein, or (ii) the terms thereof, as understood by the recipient, varied from any confirmation thereof. The Loan Parties shall indemnify the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, each Lender and the Related Parties of each of them from all losses, costs, expenses and liabilities resulting from the reliance by such Person on each notice purportedly given by or on behalf of a Loan Party, except to the extent that such losses, costs, expenses and liabilities are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment to have resulted from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of such Person. All telephonic notices to and other telephonic communications with the Administrative Agent may be recorded by the Administrative Agent, and each of the parties hereto hereby consents to such recording.

11.03 <u>No Waiver; Cumulative Remedies; Enforcement</u>.

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

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in any other Loan Document, the authority to enforce rights and remedies hereunder and under the other Loan Documents against the Loan Parties or any of them shall be vested exclusively in, and all actions and proceedings at law in connection with such enforcement shall be instituted and maintained exclusively by, the Administrative Agent in accordance with <u>Section 8.02</u> for the benefit of all the Lenders and the L/C Issuer; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the foregoing shall not prohibit (a) the Administrative Agent from exercising on its own behalf the rights and remedies that inure to its benefit (solely in its capacity as Administrative Agent) hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, (b) the L/C Issuer or the Swingline Lender from exercising the rights and remedies that inure to its benefit (solely in its capacity as L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender, as the case may be) hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, (c) any Lender from exercising setoff rights in accordance with <u>Section 11.08</u> (subject to the terms of <u>Section 2.13</u>), or (d) any Lender from filing proofs of claim or appearing and filing pleadings on its own behalf during the pendency of a proceeding relative to any Loan Party under any Debtor Relief Law; and <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that if at any time there is no Person acting as Administrative Agent hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, then (i) the Required Lenders shall have the rights otherwise ascribed to the Administrative Agent pursuant to <u>Section 8.02</u> and (ii) in addition to the matters set forth in clauses (b), (c) and (d) of the preceding proviso and subject to <u>Section 2.13</u>, any Lender may, with the consent of the Required Lenders, enforce any rights and remedies available to it and as authorized by the Required Lenders.

11.04 Expenses; Indemnity; Damage Waiver.

(a) <u>Costs and Expenses</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents, the Loan Parties shall pay (i) all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates (including the reasonable fees, charges and out-of-pocket disbursements of outside counsel for the Administrative Agent and the Arranger, limited to one primary outside legal counsel and one outside local counsel in any relevant jurisdiction taken as a whole), in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein, the preparation, due diligence, negotiation, execution, delivery, closing and administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents or any amendments, modifications or waivers of the provisions hereof or thereof (whether or not the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be consummated), (ii) all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the L/C Issuer in connection with the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or any demand for payment thereunder and (iii) all out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer (including the reasonable fees, charges and out-of-pocket disbursements of any outside counsel for the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer), in connection with the enforcement or protection of its rights (A) in connection with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including its rights under this Section, or (B) in connection with Loans made or Letters of Credit issued hereunder, including all such out-of-pocket expenses incurred during any workout, restructuring or negotiations in respect of such Loans or Letters of Credit.

(b)Indemnification by the Loan Parties. The Loan Parties shall indemnify the Administrative Agent (and any sub-agent thereof), the Arranger, each Lender, the Swingline Lender and the L/C Issuer, and each Related Party of any of the foregoing Persons (each such Person being called an "Indemnitee") against, and hold each Indemnitee harmless from, any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities and related expenses (including the reasonable fees, charges and out-of-pocket disbursements of outside counsel for any Indemnitee, provided it shall be limited to one primary outside legal counsel and one outside local counsel in any relevant jurisdiction taken as a whole and, solely, in the event of a conflict of interest, one additional primary legal counsel to each group of similarly situated Indemnitees), incurred by any Indemnitee or asserted against any Indemnitee by any Person (including the Borrower or any other Loan Party) arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of (i) the execution or delivery of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby or thereby, the performance by the parties hereto of their respective obligations hereunder or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, or, in the case of the Administrative Agent (and any sub-agent thereof) and its Related Parties only, the administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents (including in respect of any matters addressed in Section 3.01), (ii) any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use or proposed use of the proceeds therefrom (including any refusal by the L/C Issuer to honor a demand for payment under a Letter of Credit if the documents presented in connection with such demand do not strictly comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit), (iii) any actual or alleged presence or release of Hazardous Materials on or from any property owned or operated by a Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, or any Environmental Liability related in any way to a Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, or (iv) any actual or prospective claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding relating to any of the foregoing, whether based on contract, tort or any other theory, whether brought by a third party or by the Borrower or any other Loan Party or any of the Borrower's or such Loan Party's directors, shareholders or creditors, and regardless of whether any Indemnitee is a party thereto, IN ALL CASES, WHETHER OR NOT CAUSED BY OR ARISING, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, OUT OF THE COMPARATIVE, CONTRIBUTORY OR SOLE NEGLIGENCE OF THE INDEMNITEE; provided that such indemnity shall not, as to any Indemnitee, be available to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or related expenses (x) are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment to have resulted from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee, (y) result from a claim brought by the Borrower or any other Loan Party against an Indemnitee for a breach in bad faith of such Indemnitee's obligations hereunder or under any other Loan Document at a time when the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries have not breached their respective obligations hereunder or in any other Loan Document in any material respect, if the Borrower or such Loan Party has obtained a final and nonappealable judgment in its favor on such claim as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or (z) are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment to have resulted from a dispute solely among Indemnitees that does not involve, result from, or relate to, directly or indirectly, any act or omission by the Loan Parties or their respective Affiliates (other than a Claim against a party hereto solely in its capacity as the Lead Arranger or Administrative Agent). Without limiting the provisions of Section 3.01(c), this Section 11.04(b) shall not apply with respect to Taxes other than any Taxes that represent losses, claims, damages, etc. arising from any non-Tax claim.

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

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

(e) <u>Payments</u>. All amounts due under this Section shall be payable not later than ten (10) Business Days after written demand therefor.

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

11.05 Payments Set Aside.

To the extent that any payment by or on behalf of the Borrower is made to the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or any Lender, or the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or any Lender exercises its right of setoff, and such payment or the proceeds of such setoff or any part thereof is subsequently invalidated, declared to be fraudulent or preferential, set aside or required (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or such Lender in its discretion) to be repaid to a trustee, receiver or any other party, in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or otherwise, then (a) to the extent of such recovery, the obligation or part thereof originally intended to be satisfied shall be revived and continued in full force and effect as if such payment had not been made or such setoff had not occurred, and (b) each Lender and the L/C Issuer severally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent upon demand its applicable share (without duplication) of any amount so recovered from or repaid by the Administrative Agent, plus interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such payment is made at a rate per annum equal to the Federal Funds Rate from time to time in effect. The obligations of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer under clause (b) of the preceding sentence shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

11.06 <u>Successors and Assigns</u>.

(a) <u>Successors and Assigns Generally</u>. The provisions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and thereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, except neither the Borrower nor any other Loan Party may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent and each Lender and no Lender may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder except (i) to an assignee in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this Section, (ii) by way of participation in accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of this Section, or (iii) by way of pledge or assignment of a security interest subject to the restrictions of subsection (e) of this <u>Section 11.06</u> (and any other attempted assignment or transfer by any party hereto shall be null and void). Nothing in this Agreement, expressed or implied, shall be construed to confer upon any Person (other than the parties hereto, their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, Participants to the extent provided in subsection (d) of this Section and, to the extent expressly contemplated hereby, the Related Parties of each of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders) any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement.

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

(i) <u>Minimum Amounts</u>.

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

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

(ii) <u>Proportionate Amounts</u>. Each partial assignment shall be made as an assignment of a proportionate part of all the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents with respect to the Loans and/or the Commitment assigned, except that this clause shall not apply to the Swingline Lender's rights and obligations in respect of Swingline Loans.

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

(A) the consent of the Borrower (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) shall be required unless (1) an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing at the time of such assignment or (2) such assignment is to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender or an Approved Fund; <u>provided</u> that the Borrower shall be deemed to have consented to any such assignment unless it shall object thereto by written notice to the Administrative Agent within five (5) Business Days after having received notice thereof;

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

(C) the consent of the L/C Issuer and the Swingline Lender shall be required for any assignment in respect of the Revolving Facility.

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

(v) <u>No Assignment to Certain Persons</u>. No such assignment shall be made (A) to the Borrower or any of the Borrower's Affiliates or Subsidiaries, (B) to any Defaulting Lender or any of its Subsidiaries, or any Person who, upon becoming a Lender hereunder, would constitute any of the foregoing Persons described in this clause (B), (C) to a natural Person (or a holding company, investment vehicle or trust for, or owned and operated for the primary benefit of a natural person) or (D) any holder of Subordinated Debt.

(vi) <u>Certain Additional Payments</u>. In connection with any assignment of rights and obligations of any Defaulting Lender hereunder, no such assignment shall be effective unless and until, in addition to the other conditions thereto set forth herein, the parties to the assignment shall make such additional payments to the Administrative Agent in an aggregate amount sufficient, upon distribution thereof as appropriate (which may be outright payment, purchases by the assignee of participations or subparticipations, or other compensating actions, including funding, with the consent of the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, the applicable pro rata share of Loans previously requested but not funded by the Defaulting Lender, to each of which the applicable assignee and assignor hereby irrevocably consent), to (A) pay and satisfy in full all payment liabilities then owed by such Defaulting Lender to the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or any Lender hereunder (and interest accrued thereon) and (B) acquire (and fund as appropriate) its full pro rata share of all Loans and participations in Letters of Credit and Swingline Loans in accordance with its Applicable Percentage. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that any assignment of rights and obligations of any Defaulting Lender hereunder shall become effective under applicable Law without compliance with the provisions of this paragraph, then the assignee of such interest shall be deemed to be a Defaulting Lender for all purposes of this Agreement until such compliance occurs.

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

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

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

Any agreement or instrument pursuant to which a Lender sells such a participation shall provide that such Lender shall retain the sole right to enforce this Agreement and to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any provision of this Agreement; provided that such agreement or instrument may provide that such Lender will not, without the consent of the Participant, agree to any amendment, waiver or other modification described in the first proviso to Section 11.01 that affects such Participant. The Borrower agrees that each Participant shall be entitled to the benefits of Sections 3.01, 3.04 and 3.05 (subject to the requirements and limitations therein, including the requirements under Section 3.01(e) (it being understood that the documentation required under Section 3.01(e) shall be delivered to the Lender who sells the participation)) to the same extent as if it were a Lender and had acquired its interest by assignment pursuant to paragraph (b) of this Section; provided that such Participant (A) agrees to be subject to the provisions of Sections 3.06 and 11.13 as if it were an assignee under paragraph (b) of this Section and (B) shall not be entitled to receive any greater payment under Sections 3.01 or 3.04, with respect to any participation, than the Lender from whom it acquired the applicable participation would have been entitled to receive, except to the extent such entitlement to receive a greater payment results from a Change in Law that occurs after the Participant acquired the applicable participation. Each Lender that sells a participation agrees, at the Borrower's request and expense, to use reasonable efforts to cooperate with the Borrower to effectuate the provisions of Section 3.06 with respect to any Participant. To the extent permitted by law, each Participant also shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 11.08 as though it were a Lender; provided that such Participant agrees to be subject to Section 2.13 as though it were a Lender. Each Lender that sells a participation shall, acting solely for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrower, maintain a register on which it enters the name and address of each Participant and the principal amounts (and stated interest) of each Participant's interest in the Loans or other obligations under the Loan Documents (the "Participant Register"); provided that no Lender shall have any obligation to disclose all or any portion of the Participant Register (including the identity of any Participant or any information relating to a Participant's interest in any commitments, loans, letters of credit or its other obligations under any Loan Document) to any Person except to the extent that such disclosure is necessary to establish that such commitment, loan, letter of credit or other obligation is in registered form under Section 5f.103-1(c) of the United States Treasury Regulations. The entries in the Participant Register shall be conclusive absent manifest error, and such Lender shall treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Participant Register as the owner of such participation for all purposes of this Agreement notwithstanding any notice to the contrary. For the avoidance of doubt, the Administrative Agent (in its capacity as Administrative Agent) shall have no responsibility for maintaining a Participant Register.

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

Resignation as L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender after Assignment. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, if (f) at any time Bank of America assigns all of its Revolving Commitment and Revolving Loans pursuant to subsection (b) above, Bank of America may, (i) upon thirty (30) days' notice to the Borrower and the Lenders, resign as L/C Issuer and/or (ii) upon thirty (30) days' notice to the Borrower, resign as Swingline Lender. In the event of any such resignation as L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender, the Borrower shall be entitled to appoint from among the Lenders a successor L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender hereunder; provided, however, that no failure by the Borrower to appoint any such successor shall affect the resignation of Bank of America as L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender, as the case may be. If Bank of America resigns as L/C Issuer, it shall retain all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the L/C Issuer hereunder with respect to all Letters of Credit outstanding as of the effective date of its resignation as L/C Issuer and all L/C Obligations with respect thereto (including the right to require the Lenders to make Base Rate Loans or fund risk participations in Unreimbursed Amounts pursuant to Section 2.03(c)). If Bank of America resigns as Swingline Lender, it shall retain all the rights of the Swingline Lender provided for hereunder with respect to Swingline Loans made by it and outstanding as of the effective date of such resignation, including the right to require the Lenders to make Base Rate Loans or fund risk participations in outstanding Swingline Loans pursuant to Section 2.04(c). Upon the appointment of a successor L/C Issuer and/or Swingline Lender, (A) such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring L/C Issuer or Swingline Lender, as the case may be, and (B) the successor L/C Issuer shall issue letters of credit in substitution for the Letters of Credit, if any, outstanding at the time of such succession or make other arrangements satisfactory to Bank of America to effectively assume the obligations of Bank of America with respect to such Letters of Credit.

(g) <u>Assignments by MLPF&S</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the parties hereby agree that Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated ("MLPF&S") may, without notice to any Loan Party, assign its rights and obligations under this Agreement to any other registered broker-dealer wholly-owned by Bank of America Corporation to which all or substantially all of Bank of America Corporation's or any of its subsidiaries' investment banking, commercial lending services or related businesses may be transferred following the date of this Agreement.

11.07 <u>Treatment of Certain Information; Confidentiality</u>.

Treatment of Certain Information. Each of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer agrees to maintain the confidentiality of the Information (as defined below), except that Information may be disclosed (i) to its Affiliates, auditors and to its Related Parties (it being understood that the Persons to whom such disclosure is made will be informed of the confidential nature of such Information and instructed to keep such Information confidential and shall only be disclosed on a need-to-know basis), (ii) to the extent required or requested by any regulatory authority purporting to have jurisdiction over such Person or its Related Parties (including any self-regulatory authority, such as the National Association of Insurance Commissioners), (iii) to the extent required by applicable Laws or regulations or by any subpoena or similar legal process, (iv) to any other party hereto, (v) in connection with the exercise of any remedies hereunder or under any other Loan Document or any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document or the enforcement of rights hereunder or thereunder (but, to the extent feasible and not otherwise detrimental to the interests of the Secured Parties, only limited to the Information that is necessary in connection therewith), (vi) subject to an agreement containing provisions substantially the same as those of this Section, to (A) any assignee of or Participant in, or any prospective assignee of or Participant in, any of its rights and obligations under this Agreement or any Eligible Assignee invited to be a Lender pursuant to Section 2.16 or Section 11.01 or (B) any actual or prospective party (or its Related Parties) to any swap, derivative or other transaction under which payments are to be made by reference to the Borrower and its obligations, this Agreement or payments hereunder, (vii) on a confidential basis to (A) any rating agency in connection with rating the Borrower or its Subsidiaries or the credit facilities provided hereunder or (B) the provider of any Platform or other electronic delivery service used by the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and/or the Swingline Lender to deliver Borrower Materials or notices to the Lenders or (C) the CUSIP Service Bureau or any similar agency in connection with the issuance and monitoring of CUSIP numbers or other market identifiers with respect to the credit facilities provided hereunder, or (viii) with the consent of the Borrower or to the extent such Information (1) becomes publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section or (2) becomes available to the Administrative Agent, any Lender, the L/C Issuer or any of their respective Affiliates on a nonconfidential basis from a source other than the Borrower (which source is not known by the Secured Party receiving such Information to be subject to an obligation of confidentiality to the Borrower). For purposes of this Section, "Information" means all information received from the Borrower or any Subsidiary relating to the Borrower or any Subsidiary or any of their respective businesses, other than any such information that is available to the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer on a nonconfidential basis prior to disclosure by the Borrower or any Subsidiary, provided that, in the case of information received from the Borrower or any Subsidiary after the date hereof, such information is clearly identified at the time of delivery as confidential. Any Person required to maintain the confidentiality of Information as provided in this Section shall be considered to have complied with its obligation to do so if such Person has exercised the same degree of care to maintain the confidentiality of such Information as such Person would accord to its own confidential information. In addition, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders may disclose the existence of this Agreement and information about this Agreement to market data collectors, similar service providers to the lending industry and service providers to the Agents and the Lenders in connection with the administration of this Agreement, the other Loan Documents and the Commitments.

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

(c) <u>Press Releases</u>.

(i) The Loan Parties and their Affiliates agree that they will not in the future issue any press releases or other public disclosure using the name of the Administrative Agent or any Lender or their respective Affiliates or referring to this Agreement or any of the Loan Documents without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, unless (and only to the extent that) the Loan Parties or such Affiliate is required to do so under law and then, in any event the Loan Parties or such Affiliate will consult with such Person before issuing such press release or other public disclosure.

(ii) Subject to the provisions of Section 11.07(d) below, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and their respective Affiliates agree that they will not in the future issue any press releases or other public disclosure using the name of any Loan Party or any of their respective Affiliates or referring to this Agreement or any of the Loan Documents without the prior written consent of the Borrower, unless (and only to the extent that) the Administrative Agent, such Lender or such Affiliate is required to do so under law and then, in any event the Administrative Agent, such Lender or such Affiliate will consult with such Person before issuing such press release or other public disclosure.

(d) <u>Customary Advertising Material</u>. The Loan Parties consent to the publication by the Administrative Agent or any Lender of customary advertising material relating to the transactions contemplated hereby using the name, product photographs, logo or trademark of the Loan Parties.

11.08 Right of Setoff.

If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, each Lender, the L/C Issuer and each of their respective Affiliates is hereby authorized at any time and from time to time, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, to set off and apply any and all deposits (general or special, time or demand, provisional or final, in whatever currency) at any time held and other obligations (in whatever currency) at any time owing by such Lender, the L/C Issuer or any such Affiliate to or for the credit or the account of the Borrower or any other Loan Party against any and all of the obligations of the Borrower or such Loan Party now or hereafter existing under this Agreement or any other Loan Document to such Lender or the L/C Issuer or their respective Affiliates, irrespective of whether or not such Lender, the L/C Issuer or Affiliate shall have made any demand under this Agreement or any other Loan Document and although such obligations of the Borrower or such Loan Party may be contingent or unmatured, secured or unsecured, or are owed to a branch, office or Affiliate of such Lender or the L/C Issuer different from the branch, office or Affiliate holding such deposit or obligated on such indebtedness; provided that in the event that any Defaulting Lender shall exercise any such right of setoff, (a) all amounts so set off shall be paid over immediately to the Administrative Agent for further application in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.15 and, pending such payment, shall be segregated by such Defaulting Lender from its other funds and deemed held in trust for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders, and (b) the Defaulting Lender shall provide promptly to the Administrative Agent a statement describing in reasonable detail the Secured Obligations owing to such Defaulting Lender as to which it exercised such right of setoff. The rights of each Lender, the L/C Issuer and their respective Affiliates under this Section are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of setoff) that such Lender, the L/C Issuer or their respective Affiliates may have. Each Lender and the L/C Issuer agrees to notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent promptly after any such setoff and application, provided that the failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of such setoff and application. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 11.08, if at any time any Lender, the L/C Issuer or any of their respective Affiliates maintains one or more deposit accounts for the Borrower or any other Loan Party into which Medicare and/or Medicaid receivables are deposited, such Person shall waive the right of setoff set forth herein.

11.09 Interest Rate Limitation.

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

11.10 <u>Counterparts; Integration; Effectiveness</u>.

This Agreement and each of the other Loan Documents may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto in different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract. This Agreement, the other Loan Documents, and any separate letter agreements with respect to fees payable to the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, constitute the entire contract among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof. Except as provided in Section 4.01, this Agreement shall become effective when it shall have been executed by the Administrative Agent and when the Administrative Agent shall have received counterparts hereof that, when taken together, bear the signatures of each of the other parties hereto. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, or any certificate delivered thereunder, by fax transmission or e-mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement or such other Loan Document or certificate. Without limiting the foregoing, to the extent a manually executed counterpart is not specifically required to be delivered under the terms of any Loan Document, upon the request of any party, such fax transmission or e-mail transmission shall be promptly followed by such manually executed counterpart.

11.11 <u>Survival of Representations and Warranties</u>.

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

11.12 <u>Severability</u>.

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

11.13 <u>Replacement of Lenders</u>.

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

(a) the Borrower shall have paid to the Administrative Agent the assignment fee (if any) specified in Section 11.06(b);

(b) such Lender shall have received payment of an amount equal to 100% of the outstanding principal of its Loans and L/C Advances, accrued interest thereon, accrued fees and all other amounts payable to it hereunder and under the other Loan Documents (including any amounts under Section 3.05) from the assignee (to the extent of such outstanding principal and accrued interest and fees) or the Borrower (in the case of all other amounts);

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

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

(e) in the case of an assignment resulting from a Lender becoming a Non-Consenting Lender, the applicable assignee shall have consented to the applicable amendment, waiver or consent.

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

11.14 Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Etc.

(a) <u>GOVERNING LAW</u>. THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS (EXCEPT, AS TO ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT, AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH THEREIN) AND ANY CLAIMS, CONTROVERSY, DISPUTE OR CAUSE OF ACTION (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR TORT OR OTHERWISE) BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT (EXCEPT, AS TO ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT, AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH THEREIN) AND THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY AND THEREBY SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION. THE BORROWER AND EACH OTHER LOAN PARTY IRREVOCABLY AND (b)UNCONDITIONALLY AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT COMMENCE ANY ACTION, LITIGATION OR PROCEEDING OF ANY KIND OR DESCRIPTION, WHETHER IN LAW OR EQUITY, WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR IN TORT OR OTHERWISE, AGAINST THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, ANY LENDER, THE L/C ISSUER, OR ANY RELATED PARTY OF THE FOREGOING IN ANY WAY RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS RELATING HERETO OR THERETO, IN ANY FORUM OTHER THAN THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SITTING IN NEW YORK COUNTY AND OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, AND ANY APPELLATE COURT FROM ANY THEREOF, AND EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY SUBMITS TO THE JURISDICTION OF SUCH COURTS AND AGREES THAT ALL CLAIMS IN RESPECT OF ANY SUCH ACTION, LITIGATION OR PROCEEDING MAY BE HEARD AND DETERMINED IN SUCH NEW YORK STATE COURT OR, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, IN SUCH FEDERAL COURT. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO AGREES THAT A FINAL JUDGMENT IN ANY SUCH ACTION, LITIGATION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND MAY BE ENFORCED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS BY SUIT ON THE JUDGMENT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW. NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT OR IN ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT SHALL AFFECT ANY RIGHT THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, ANY LENDER OR THE L/C ISSUER MAY OTHERWISE HAVE TO BRING ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT AGAINST THE BORROWER OR ANY OTHER LOAN PARTY OR ITS PROPERTIES IN THE COURTS OF ANY JURISDICTION.

(c) WAIVER OF VENUE. THE BORROWER AND EACH OTHER LOAN PARTY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY OBJECTION THAT IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT IN ANY COURT REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (B) OF THIS SECTION. THE BORROWER AND EACH OTHER LOAN PARTY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, THE DEFENSE OF AN INCONVENIENT FORUM TO THE MAINTENANCE OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN ANY SUCH COURT.

(d) <u>SERVICE OF PROCESS</u>. EACH PARTY HERETO IRREVOCABLY CONSENTS TO SERVICE OF PROCESS IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR NOTICES IN SECTION 11.02. NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT WILL AFFECT THE RIGHT OF ANY PARTY HERETO TO SERVE PROCESS IN ANY OTHER MANNER PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW.

11.15 <u>Waiver of Jury Trial</u>.

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

11.16 <u>Subordination</u>.

Each Loan Party (a "<u>Subordinating Loan Party</u>") hereby subordinates the payment of all obligations and indebtedness of any other Loan Party owing to it, whether now existing or hereafter arising, including but not limited to any obligation of any such other Loan Party to the Subordinating Loan Party as subrogee of the Secured Parties or resulting from such Subordinating Loan Party's performance under this Guaranty, to the indefeasible payment in full in cash of all Obligations. If the Secured Parties so request, any such obligation or indebtedness of any such other Loan Party to the Subordinating Loan Party shall be enforced and performance received by the Subordinating Loan Party as trustee for the Secured Parties and the proceeds thereof shall be paid over to the Secured Parties on account of the Secured Obligations, but without reducing or affecting in any manner the liability of the Subordinating Loan Party under this Agreement. Without limitation of the foregoing, so long as no Default has occurred and is continuing, the Loan Parties may make and receive payments with respect to Intercompany Debt; <u>provided</u>, that in the event that any Loan Party receives any payment of any Intercompany Debt at a time when such payment is prohibited by this Section, such payment shall be held by such Loan Party, in trust for the benefit of, and shall be paid forthwith over and delivered, upon written request, to the Administrative Agent.

11.17 <u>No Advisory or Fiduciary Responsibility</u>.

In connection with all aspects of each transaction contemplated hereby (including in connection with any amendment, waiver or other modification hereof or of any other Loan Document), the Borrower and each other Loan Party acknowledges and agrees, and acknowledges its Affiliates' understanding, that: (a) (i) the arranging and other services regarding this Agreement provided by the Administrative Agent and any Affiliate thereof, the Arranger and the Lenders are arm's-length commercial transactions between the Borrower, each other Loan Party and their respective Affiliates, on the one hand, and the Administrative Agent and, as applicable, its Affiliates (including the Arranger) and the Lenders and their Affiliates (collectively, solely for purposes of this Section, the "Lenders"), on the other hand, (ii) each of the Borrower and the other Loan Parties has consulted its own legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent it has deemed appropriate, and (iii) the Borrower and each other Loan Party is capable of evaluating, and understands and accepts, the terms, risks and conditions of the transactions contemplated hereby and by the other Loan Documents; (b) (i) the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates (including the Arranger) and each Lender each is and has been acting solely as a principal and, except as expressly agreed in writing by the relevant parties, has not been, is not, and will not be acting as an advisor, agent or fiduciary, for Borrower, any other Loan Party or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other Person and (ii) neither the Administrative Agent, any of its Affiliates (including the Arranger) nor any Lender has any obligation to the Borrower, any other Loan Party or any of their respective Affiliates with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby except those obligations expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents; and (c) the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates (including the Arranger) and the Lenders may be engaged in a broad range of transactions that involve interests that differ from those of the Borrower, the other Loan Parties and their respective Affiliates, and neither the Administrative Agent, any of its Affiliates (including the Arranger) nor any Lender has any obligation to disclose any of such interests to the Borrower, any other Loan Party or any of their respective Affiliates. To the fullest extent permitted by law, each of the Borrower and each other Loan Party hereby waives and releases any claims that it may have against the Administrative Agent, any of its Affiliates (including the Arranger) or any Lender with respect to any breach or alleged breach of agency or fiduciary duty in connection with any aspect of any transaction contemplated hereby.

11.18 <u>Electronic Execution</u>.

The words "delivery," "execute," "execution," "signed," "signature," and words of like import in any Loan Document or any other document executed in connection herewith (including without limitation Assignment and Assumptions, amendments or other Loan Notices, Swingline Loan Notices, waivers and consents) shall be deemed to include electronic signatures, the electronic matching of assignment terms and contract formations on electronic platforms approved by the Administrative Agent, or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature, physical delivery thereof or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable Law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act; *provided that notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary the Administrative Agent is under no obligation to agree to accept electronic signatures in any form or in any format unless expressly agreed to by the Administrative Agent pursuant to procedures approved by it; <i>provided further* without limiting the foregoing, upon the request of the Administrative Agent, any electronic signature shall be promptly followed by such manually executed counterpart.

11.19 USA PATRIOT Act Notice.

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

11.20 Acknowledgement and Consent to Bail-In of EEA Financial Institutions.

Solely to the extent any Lender or L/C Issuer that is an EEA Financial Institution is a party to this Agreement and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Loan Document or in any other agreement, arrangement or understanding among any such parties, each party hereto acknowledges that any liability of any Lender or L/C Issuer that is an EEA Financial Institution arising under any Loan Document, to the extent such liability is unsecured, may be subject to the write-down and conversion powers of an EEA Resolution Authority and agrees and consents to, and acknowledges and agrees to be bound by:

(a) the application of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by an EEA Resolution Authority to any such liabilities arising hereunder which may be payable to it by any Lender or L/C Issuer that is an EEA Financial Institution; and

- (d) the effects of any Bail-In Action on any such liability, including, if applicable:
 - (i) a reduction in full or in part or cancellation of any such liability;

(ii) a conversion of all, or a portion of, such liability into shares or other instruments of ownership in such EEA Financial Institution, its parent undertaking, or a bridge institution that may be issued to it or otherwise conferred on it, and that such shares or other instruments of ownership will be accepted by it in lieu of any rights with respect to any such liability under this Agreement or any other Loan Document; or

(iii) the variation of the terms of such liability in connection with the exercise of the write-down and conversion powers of any EEA Resolution Authority.

11.21 ENTIRE AGREEMENT.

THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS REPRESENT THE FINAL AGREEMENT AMONG THE PARTIES AND MAY NOT BE CONTRADICTED BY EVIDENCE OF PRIOR, CONTEMPORANEOUS, OR SUBSEQUENT ORAL AGREEMENTS OF THE PARTIES. THERE ARE NO UNWRITTEN ORAL AGREEMENTS AMONG THE PARTIES.

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BORROWER:

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC.

By:	/s/ Charles H. Sherwood
Name:	Charles H. Sherwood, Ph.D.
Title:	Chief Executive Officer

AGENT:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,

as Administrative Agent

By: /s/ Molly Kropp Name: Molly Kropp Title: Vice President

LENDERS:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,

as a Lender, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender

By: /s/ Molly Kropp Name: Molly Kropp Title: Vice President

<u>Schedule 1.01(a)</u>

Certain Addresses for Notices

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Attn: Sylvia Cheung, Chief Financial Officer	901 Main St.
Phone: [omitted]	Dallas, TX 75202
Email: [omitted]	Attn: [omitted]
Fax Number: [omitted]	Phone: [omitted]
Website Address: www.anikatherapeutics.com	Email: [omitted]
	Fax Number: [omitted]
With a Copy to:	Account No.: [omitted]
	Ref: [omitted]
Anika Therapeutics, Inc.	ABA#: [omitted]
32 Wiggins Avenue	
Bedford, MA 01730	
Attn: Charles Sherwood III, Senior Corporate Legal Counsel	Other Notices for Lender:
Phone: [omitted]	Bank of America, N.A.
Email: [omitted]	100 Federal Street
Fax Number: [omitted]	MA5-100-08-13
Website Address: www.anikatherapeutics.com	Boston, MA 02110
	Attn: Molly Kropp
	Phone: [omitted]
	Email: [omitted]
	Fax Number: [omitted]

<u>Schedule 1.01(b)</u>

Commitments and Applicable Percentages

Lender	<u>Revolving Commitment</u>	<u>Applicable Percentage</u>
Bank of America, N.A.	\$50,000,000.00	100.0000000%
TOTAL	\$50,000,000.00	100.00000000%

<u>Schedule 1.01(c)</u>

Responsible Officers

Responsible Officers of Anika Therapeutics, Inc.:

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Name	Office
Charles H. Sherwood, Ph.D.	Chief Executive Officer
Joseph G. Darling	President
Sylvia Cheung	Chief Financial Officer, Secretary, Treasurer

Schedule 1.01(d)

Material Contracts

- · Lease, dated January 3, 2007, between Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and Farley White Wiggins, LLC, relating to 32 Wiggins Avenue, Bedford, Massachusetts, as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.
- License Agreement for Orthovisc Product, dated as of December 20, 2003, by and between Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and Ortho Biotech Products, L.P., as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.
- License Agreement for Monovisc Product, dated as of December 21, 2011, by and between Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and DePuy Mitek, Inc., as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

Schedule 1.01(e)

Non-Core Assets

The Borrower's "Non-Core Assets" shall consist of all assets and lines of business of the Borrower set forth below:

- The Borrower's ophthalmic franchise as covered by FDA Premarket Approval # P000046, the current trade names of which are set forth below, and all Intellectual Property, trade secrets, know-how, clinical data and documentation, regulatory approvals and other regulatory documentation, and commercial and other agreements, arrangements, or contracts associated therewith:
 - o Anikavisc®
 - O Staarvisc[®]
 - 0 Nuvisc[®]
 - o Optivisc[®]
- The Borrower's veterinary franchise, the current trade names of which is Hyvisc[®], and all Intellectual Property, trade secrets, know-how, clinical data and documentation, regulatory approvals and other regulatory documentation, and commercial and other agreements, arrangements, or contracts associated therewith.
- The Borrower's aesthetic dermatology franchise, the current trade names of which are Elevess[®], Hydrelle[®], and Firmique[®], and all Intellectual Property, trade secrets, know-how, clinical data and documentation, regulatory approvals and other regulatory documentation, and commercial and other agreements, arrangements, or contracts associated therewith.
- The Borrower's anti-adhesion franchise, the current trade name of which is Incert[®]-S, and all Intellectual Property, trade secrets, know-how, clinical data and documentation, regulatory approvals and other regulatory documentation, and commercial and other agreements, arrangements, or contracts associated therewith.
- The Borrower's product-in-development for subchondral repair, the trade name of which has not yet been established, and all Intellectual Property, trade secrets, know-how, clinical data and documentation, regulatory approvals and other regulatory documentation, and commercial and other agreements, arrangements, or contracts associated therewith.

Schedule 5.09(b)

Environmental Matters

The following underground and above-ground storage tanks and surface impoundments, septic tanks, pits, sumps and/or lagoons in which Hazardous Materials are treated, stored or disposed exist on the 32 Wiggins Avenue, Bedford, MA property currently operated by the Borrower:

- 1. 2 275-gallon HDPE waste water pH neutralization tanks.
- 2. 1 4,500 gallon above ground storage tank.
 - a. Tank contains virgin SDA 3A solvent (ethanol denatured with methanol) to be used in the Borrower's manufacturing process.
- 3. 1 4,000 gallon above ground solvent waste storage tank.
 - a. Tank contains flammable solvent waste that is a mixture of ethanol, methanol, hexane, toluene, acetone and ethyl acetate.
- 4. 1 500 gallon waste pit tank
 - a. Tank contains waste solvents from the Borrower's manufacturing process that are gravity fed to this tank prior to being transferred to the tank referenced in (3) above.
- 5. At a previous location operated by the Borrower (234 West Cummings Park, Woburn, MA), two underground storage tanks were utilized for the purposes set forth in (2) and (3) above.

Pension Plans

Fidelity CORPORATE Plan for Retirement100 Volume Submitter Defined Contribution Plan adopted by Anika Therapeutics, Inc. on January 1, 1993, as amended on November 29, 2004, January 29, 2010, February 15, 2015, and January 18, 2017.

<u>Schedule 5.20(a)</u>

Subsidiaries, Joint Ventures, Partnerships and other Equity Investments

		Number of Shares of Each	Number and Percentage of	
	Subsidiary, Joint Venture,	<u>Class of Equity Interests In</u>	Outstanding Shares of Each	
	Partnership Or Other Equity	<u>Each Subsidiary</u>	Class of Equity Interests Owned	Class or Nature of Equity
<u>Loan Party</u>	<u>Investment</u>	Outstanding	<u>by such Loan Party</u>	<u>Interests</u>
Anika Therapeutics, Inc.	Anika Securities, Inc.	1,000	1,000 (100%)	Common (Voting) Shares
Anika Therapeutics, Inc.	Anika Therapeutics S.r.l.	11	One hundred percent (100%)	Ordinary Quota

 $\overline{^{1}$ <u>NTD</u>: The Equity Interests of Anika Therapeutics S.r.l. are not represented by shares.

Schedule 5.20(b)

Loan Parties

- · <u>Anika Therapeutics, Inc.</u>:
- (i) <u>Exact Legal Name</u>: Anika Therapeutics, Inc.
- (ii) <u>Former Legal Names In Preceding Four (4) Months</u>: None.
- (iii) <u>Jurisdiction of Incorporation</u>: Massachusetts
- (iv) <u>Type of Organization</u>: Corporation
- (v) <u>Other Jurisdictions Where Qualified To Do Business</u>: None.
- (vi) Address of Chief Executive Office: 32 Wiggins Avenue, Bedford, MA 01730
- (vii) Address of Principal Place of Business: 32 Wiggins Avenue, Bedford, MA 01730
- (viii) <u>U.S. Federal Taxpayer Identification Number</u>: 04-3145961
- (ix) <u>Organizational Number</u>: 000386872
- (x) <u>Ownership Information</u>: Publicly Held
- (xi) <u>Industry</u>: Life Sciences, Medical Devices, Pharmaceuticals

Schedule 5.21(c)

Documents, Instruments and Tangible Chattel Paper

1. Intercompany Note between Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and Anika Therapeutics S.r.l. evidencing an intercompany loan with a current outstanding principal of €6,020,142 plus applicable interest at a rate of 1.6% per annum.

Schedule 5.21(d)(i)

Deposit Accounts and Securities Accounts

[omitted]

Schedule 5.21(d)(ii)

Electronic Chattel Paper and Letter-of-Credit Rights

None.

Schedule 5.21(e)

Commercial Tort Claims

None.

<u>Schedule 5.21(f)</u>

<u>Pledged Equity Interests</u>

(i) <u>Pledged Equity</u>

			<u>Certificate</u>		Percentage Ownership
<u>Loan Party</u>	<u>Issuer</u>	Number of Shares	<u>Number</u>	<u>Class</u>	of Outstanding Shares
Anika Therapeutics, Inc.	Anika Therapeutics S.r.l.	N/A	N/A	N/A	100% ²
Anika Therapeutics, Inc.	Anika Securities, Inc.	1,000	2	Common	100%

(ii) <u>Other Equity Interests Pledged</u>

None.

² <u>Note</u>: Only sixty-five percent (65%) of the outstanding shares of Anika Therapeutics S.r.l. constitute Pledged Equity as of the Closing date.

<u>Schedule 5.21(g)(i)</u>

Mortgaged Properties

None.

Schedule 5.21(g)(ii)

Other Properties

• <u>Headquarters Locations</u>:

<u>Loan Party</u>	Property Address	Leased or Owned	<u>Name of Lessor</u>
Anika Therapeutics, Inc.	32 Wiggins Avenue, Bedford, MA 01730	Leased	Farley White Wiggins, LLC
	(Middlesex County)		

• Other Administrative Locations:

Some documents are maintained by Iron Mountain at a facility located at 175 Bearfoot Road, Northborough, MA 01532.

· <u>Other Collateral Locations</u>:

Some information technology back-up is located at 21 Terry Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803.

Existing Liens

Existing Indebtedness

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Anika Therapeutics, Inc. Corporate Guarantee of payment obligations of Anika Therapeutics S.r.l., dated October 9, 2015, under the Lease Agreement, dated October 9, 2015, between Anika Therapeutics S.r.l. and Consorzio Zona Industriale E Porto Fluviale di Padova relating to Land Registry of the Municipality of Padova, Page 148, cadastral map 516 and 517, as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

Existing Investments

None.

Transactions with Affiliates

- 1. Contract Manufacturing Agreement between Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and Anika Therapeutics S.r.l. dated effective as of January 1, 2012, as amended on March 28, 2016 and August 8, 2017.
- 2. Distribution Agreement for Hyalofast Product between Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and Anika Therapeutics S.r.l. dated effective as of March 30, 2017.
- 3. Intercompany Note between Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and Anika Therapeutics S.r.l. evidencing an intercompany loan with a current outstanding principal of €6,020,142 plus applicable interest at a rate of 1.6% per annum.
- 4. Contract for Authorised Representative Services (in accordance with European regulatory directives for CE mark of medical devices) between Anika Therapeutics, Inc. and Anika Therapeutics S.r.l. dated effective as of May 12, 2017.

EXHIBIT A

[Form of] Administrative Questionnaire

On file with Administrative Agent.

EXHIBIT B

[Form of] Assignment and Assumption

This Assignment and Assumption (this "<u>Assignment and Assumption</u>") is dated as of the Effective Date set forth below and is entered into by and between [the][each]¹ Assignor identified in item 1 below ([the][each, an] "<u>Assignor</u>") and [the][each]² Assignee identified in item 2 below ([the][each, an] "<u>Assignee</u>"). [It is understood and agreed that the rights and obligations of [the Assignors][the Assignees]³ hereunder are several and not joint.]⁴ Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Credit Agreement identified below (as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), receipt of a copy of which is hereby acknowledged by the Assignee. The Standard Terms and Conditions set forth in Annex 1 attached hereto are hereby agreed to and incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Assignment and Assumption as if set forth herein in full.

For an agreed consideration, [the][each] Assignor hereby irrevocably sells and assigns to [the Assignee][the respective Assignees], and [the][each] Assignee hereby irrevocably purchases and assumes from [the Assignor][the respective Assignors], subject to and in accordance with the Standard Terms and Conditions and the Credit Agreement, as of the Effective Date inserted by the Administrative Agent as contemplated below (a) all of [the Assignor's][the respective Assignors'] rights and obligations in [its capacity as a Lender][their respective capacities as Lenders] under the Credit Agreement and any other Loan Documents in the amount[s] and equal to the percentage interest[s] identified below of all the outstanding rights and obligations under the respective facilities identified below (including, without limitation, the Letters of Credit and the Swingline Loans included in such facilities) and (b) to the extent permitted to be assigned under applicable law, all claims, suits, causes of action and any other right of [the Assignor (in its capacity as a Lenders)] against any Person, whether known or unknown, arising under or in connection with the Credit Agreement, any other Loan Documents or the loan transactions governed thereby or in any way based on or related to any of the foregoing, including, but not limited to, contract claims, tort claims, malpractice claims, statutory claims and all other claims at law or in equity related to the rights and obligations sold and assigned pursuant to clause (a) above (the rights and obligations sold and assigned by [the][any] Assignor to [the][any] Assignor to [the][any] Assignor.

1. <u>Assignor[s]</u>:

2. <u>Assignee[s]</u>:

[for each Assignee, indicate [Affiliate][Approved Fund] of [identify Lender]]

¹ For bracketed language here and elsewhere in this form relating to the Assignor(s), if the assignment is from a single Assignor, choose the first bracketed language. If the assignment is from multiple Assignors, choose the second bracketed language.

² For bracketed language here and elsewhere in this form relating to the Assignee(s), if the assignment is to a single Assignee, choose the first bracketed language. If the assignment is to multiple Assignees, choose the second bracketed language.

³ Select as appropriate.

⁴ Include bracketed language if there are either multiple Assignors or multiple Assignees.

- 3. <u>Borrower</u>: Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation
- 4. <u>Administrative Agent</u>: Bank of America, N.A., as the administrative agent under the Credit Agreement
- 5. <u>Credit Agreement</u>: Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, among the Borrower, the Subsidiary Guarantors, the Lenders and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer, and Swingline Lender
- 6. Assigned Interest:

<u>Assignor[s]</u> ⁵	<u>Assignee[s]⁶</u>	Facility <u>Assigned</u> ⁷	Aggregate Amount of Commitment/ Loans <u>for all Lenders⁸</u>	Amount of Commitment/ Loans <u>Assigned</u>	Percentage Assigned of Commitment/ <u>Loans⁹</u>	CUSIP <u>Number</u>
			\$	\$	%	
			\$	\$	%	
			\$	\$	%	

^{7.} Trade Date:]¹⁰

Effective Date: ______, 20__ [TO BE INSERTED BY ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND WHICH SHALL BE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF RECORDATION OF TRANSFER IN THE REGISTER THEREFOR.]

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⁸ Amounts in this column and in the column immediately to the right to be adjusted by the counterparties to take into account any payments or prepayments made between the Trade Date and the Effective Date.

⁹ Set forth, to at least 9 decimals, as a percentage of the Commitment/Loans of all Lenders thereunder.

¹⁰ To be completed if the Assignor and the Assignee intend that the minimum assignment amount is to be determined as of the Trade Date.

⁵ List each Assignor, as appropriate.

⁶ List each Assignee, as appropriate.

⁷ Fill in the appropriate terminology for the types of facilities under the Credit Agreement that are being assigned under this Assignment (e.g. "Revolving Commitment").

ASSIGNOR

[NAME OF ASSIGNOR]

By:				
Name:				
Title:				
ASSIC		SIGNEE]		
	LOPAS	SIGNEEJ		
By:				
Name:				
Title:				

[Consented to and]¹¹ Accepted:

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

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

[Consented to:

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC., as Borrower]¹²

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

[Consented to:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender] $^{13}\,$

¹¹ To be added only if the consent of the Administrative Agent is required by the terms of the Credit Agreement.

¹² To be added only if the consent of the Borrower is required by the terms of the Credit Agreement.

¹³ To be added only if the consent of the LC Issuer and/or Swingline Lender is required by the terms of the Credit Agreement.

ANNEX 1 TO ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION

Standard Terms and Conditions for Assignment and Assumption

1. <u>Representations and Warranties</u>.

1.1. <u>Assignor</u>. [The][Each] Assignor (a) represents and warrants that (i) it is the legal and beneficial owner of [the][the relevant] Assigned Interest, (ii) [the][such] Assigned Interest is free and clear of any lien, encumbrance or other adverse claim and (iii) it has full power and authority, and has taken all action necessary, to execute and deliver this Assignment and Assumption and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby; and (b) assumes no responsibility with respect to (i) any statements, warranties or representations made in or in connection with the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document, (ii) the execution, legality, validity, enforceability, genuineness, sufficiency or value of the Loan Documents or any collateral thereunder, (iii) the financial condition of the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or Affiliates or any other Person obligated in respect of any Loan Document or (iv) the performance or observance by the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or Affiliates or any other Person of any of their respective obligations under any Loan Document.

Assignee. [The][Each] Assignee (a) represents and warrants that (i) it has full power and authority, and has taken all action necessary, to 1.2. execute and deliver this Assignment and Assumption and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and to become a Lender under the Credit Agreement, (ii) it meets all the requirements to be an assignee under the terms of the Credit Agreement (subject to such consents, if any, as may be required under the terms of the Credit Agreement), (iii) from and after the Effective Date, it shall be bound by the provisions of the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents as a Lender thereunder and, to the extent of [the][the relevant] Assigned Interest, shall have the obligations of a Lender thereunder, (iv) it is sophisticated with respect to decisions to acquire assets of the type represented by [the][such] Assigned Interest and either it, or the Person exercising discretion in making its decision to acquire [the][such] Assigned Interest, is experienced in acquiring assets of such type, (v) it has received a copy of the Credit Agreement, and has received or has been accorded the opportunity to receive copies of the most recent financial statements delivered pursuant to the terms of the Credit Agreement, and such other documents and information as it deems appropriate to make its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Assignment and Assumption and to purchase [the][such] Assigned Interest, (vi) it has, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Assignment and Assumption and to purchase [the][such] Assigned Interest, and (vii) if it is a Foreign Lender, attached hereto is any documentation required to be delivered by it pursuant to the terms of the Credit Agreement, duly completed and executed by [the][such] Assignee; and (b) agrees that (i) it will, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, [the][any] Assignor or any other Lender, and based on such documents and information as it shall deem appropriate at the time, continue to make its own credit decisions in taking or not taking action under the Loan Documents, and (ii) it will perform in accordance with their terms all of the obligations which by the terms of the Loan Documents are required to be performed by it as a Lender.

2. <u>Payments</u>. From and after the Effective Date, the Administrative Agent shall make all payments in respect of [the][each] Assigned Interest (including payments of principal, interest, fees and other amounts) to [the][the relevant] Assignor for amounts which have accrued to but excluding the Effective Date and to [the][the relevant] Assignee for amounts which have accrued from and after the Effective Date.

3. <u>General Provisions</u>. This Assignment and Assumption shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. This Assignment and Assumption may be executed in any number of counterparts, which together shall constitute one instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Assignment and Assumption by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Assignment and Assumption shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

EXHIBIT C

[Form of] Compliance Certificate

Financial Statement Date: [_____, ___]

TO:	Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent
RE:	Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the " <u>Borrower</u> "), the Subsidiary Guarantors party thereto from time to time, the Lenders party thereto from time to time and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the " <u>Credit Agreement</u> "; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement)
DATE:	[Date]

The undersigned Responsible Officer¹ hereby certifies as of the date hereof that [he/she] is the [______] of the Borrower, and that, as such, [he/she] is authorized to execute and deliver this Compliance Certificate to the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Borrower and the other Loan Parties, and that:

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

1. The Borrower has delivered the year-end audited financial statements required by Section 6.01(a) of the Credit Agreement for the fiscal year of the Borrower ended as of the above date, together with the report and opinion of an independent certified public accountant required by such section.

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

1. The Borrower has delivered the unaudited financial statements required by Section 6.01(b) of the Credit Agreement for the fiscal quarter of the Borrower ended as of the above date. Such Consolidated financial statements fairly present the financial condition, results of operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP as at such date and for such period, subject only to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes.

2. The undersigned has reviewed and is familiar with the terms of the Credit Agreement and has made, or has caused to be made under [his/her] supervision, a detailed review of the transactions and condition (financial or otherwise) of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries during the accounting period covered by such financial statements.

3. A review of the activities of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries during such fiscal period has been made under the supervision of the undersigned with a view to determining whether during such fiscal period the Borrower and each of the other Loan Parties performed and observed all its obligations under the Loan Documents, and

¹ This certificate should be from the chief executive officer, chief financial officer, treasurer or controller of the Borrower.

[select one:]

[to the actual knowledge of the undersigned, during such fiscal period each of the Loan Parties performed and observed each covenant and condition of the Loan Documents applicable to it, and no Default has occurred and is continuing.]

--or—

[to the best knowledge of the undersigned, the following covenants or conditions have not been performed or observed and the following is a list of each such Default and its nature and status:]

4. The representations and warranties of the Borrower and each other Loan Party contained in Article V of the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document, or which are contained in any document furnished at any time under or in connection therewith are (i) with respect to representations and warranties that contain a materiality qualification, true and correct on and as of the date hereof and (ii) with respect to representations and warranties that do not contain a materiality qualification, true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date hereof, except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date and except that for purposes of this Compliance Certificate, the representations and warranties contained in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 5.05 of the Credit Agreement shall be deemed to refer to the most recent statements furnished pursuant to clauses (a) and (b), respectively, of Section 6.01 of the Credit Agreement, including the statements in connection with which this Compliance Certificate is delivered.

5. The financial covenant analyses and information set forth on <u>Schedule A</u> attached hereto are true and accurate in all material respects on and as of the date of this Compliance Certificate.

Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Compliance Certificate by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Compliance Certificate.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Compliance Certificate has been duly executed and delivered as of the date first set forth above.

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC., Borrower

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

Schedule A

Financial Statement Date: [_____, ___] ("Statement Date")

All calculations are to be made for the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP

I. Section 7.11(a) – Consolidated Leverage Ratio.

A. Consolidated Funded Indebtedness (each as of the Statement Date):

1.	The outstanding principal amount of all obligations, whether current or long-term, for borrowed money (including Obligations under the Credit Agreement) and all obligations evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes loan agreements or other similar instruments:	, \$
2.	All purchase money Indebtedness:	\$
3.	The maximum amount available to be drawn under issued and outstanding letters of credit (including standby and commercial), bankers' acceptances, bank guaranties, surety bonds and similar instruments:	\$
4.	All obligations in respect of the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than trade accounts payable in the ordinary course of business):	\$
5.	All Attributable Indebtedness:	\$
6.	All obligations to purchase, redeem, retire, defease or otherwise make any payment prior to the Maturity Date in respect of any Equity Interests or any warrant, right or option to acquire such Equity Interest (valued, in the case of a redeemable preferred interest, at the greater of its voluntary or involuntary liquidation preference <u>plus</u> accrued and unpaid dividends):	
7.	Without duplication, all Guarantees with respect to outstanding Indebtedness of the types specified in items A.1 through A.6 above of Persons other than the Borrower or any Subsidiary thereof:	\$
8.	All Indebtedness of the types referred to in items A.1 through A.7 above of any partnership or joint venture (other than a joint venture that is itself a corporation or limited liability company) in which the Borrower or a Subsidiary thereof is a general partner or joint venturer, unless such Indebtedness is expressly made non-recourse to the Borrower or such Subsidiary:	\$

9.	Consolidated Funded Indebtedness (the sum of Lines I.A.1 through I.A.8):	\$
Cons	olidated EBITDA for such Measurement Period:	
1.	Consolidated Net Income for the most recently completed Measurement Period:	\$
	To the extent deducted in calculating Consolidated Net Income (without duplication):	
2.	Consolidated Interest Charges:	\$
3.	The provision for federal, state, local and foreign income taxes payable:	\$
4.	Depreciation and amortization expense:	\$
5.	Non-cash stock-based compensation expense (net of any cash payments related to stock-based compensation)	: \$
6.	Non-cash charges and losses, including, without limitation, non-cash charges and losses relating to accounts receivable, inventory and intangibles and other asset charges and/or write-offs (but excluding any such non-cash charges or losses to the extent (A) there were cash charges with respect to such charges and losses in past accounting periods or (B) there is a reasonable expectation that there will be cash charges with respect to such charges in future accounting periods):	
7.	Transaction fees and expenses incurred on or prior to the Closing Date in connection with the transactions contemplated under the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$500,000:	\$
8.	Transaction fees and expenses incurred in connection with any Permitted Acquisition, provided that the aggregate amount added back for any Measurement Period shall not exceed 10% of Consolidated EBITDA for such Measurement Period (prior to giving effect to this add-back):	or \$

В.

	Transaction fees and expenses incurred in connection with any amendment, modification or waiver in respect of the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document:	\$
	To the extent reflected as a gain or otherwise included in the calculation of Consolidated Net Income (without duplication) and for such Measurement Period:	
10.	Non-cash gains (excluding any such non-cash gains to the extent (A) there were cash gains with respect to such gains in past accounting periods or (B) there is a reasonable expectation that there will be cash gains with respect to such gains in future accounting periods):	1 \$
11.	Consolidated EBITDA (the sum of Lines I.B.1 through I.B.9 <u>minus</u> Line I.B.10):	\$
12.	Consolidated Leverage Ratio (Line I.A.9 <u>divided by</u> Line I.B.11):	\$
Maxi	mum Consolidated Leverage Ratio:	3.00:1.00
	Compliance	Yes/No
II.	Section 7.11(b) – Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio.	
	Section 7.11(b) – Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio. Didated EBITDA for such Measurement Period (Line I.B.11 above):	\$
Conse		\$ \$
Conse	olidated EBITDA for such Measurement Period (Line I.B.11 above):	\$ \$ \$
Conse	blidated EBITDA for such Measurement Period (Line I.B.11 above): blidated Interest Charges for such Measurement Period: All interest, premium payments, debt discount, fees, charges and related expenses in connection with borrowed money (including capitalized interest) or in connection with the deferred purchase price of assets, in	

C.

A.

B.

C.	Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio (Line II.A. <u>divided by</u> Line II.B.3):		\$
D.	Minimum Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio permitted for such Measurement Period:		3.00:1.00
		Compliance	Yes/No

EXHIBIT D

[Form of] Joinder Agreement

THIS JOINDER AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), dated as of [______, ___], is by and among [______, a ____] (the "<u>New Subsidiary Guarantor</u>"), Anika Therapeutics, Inc. a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the existing Subsidiary Guarantors party to the Credit Agreement referred to below as of the date hereof and Bank of America, N.A., in its capacity as administrative agent (in such capacity, the "<u>Administrative Agent</u>") under that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), by and among the Borrower, the Subsidiary Guarantors party thereto from time to time, the Lenders party thereto from time to time and the Administrative Agent. Capitalized terms used herein but not otherwise defined shall have the meanings provided in the Credit Agreement.

The New Subsidiary Guarantor is a Subsidiary of the Borrower that is required by Section 6.13 of the Credit Agreement to become a "Subsidiary Guarantor" thereunder.

Accordingly, the New Subsidiary Guarantor and the Borrower and the other Subsidiary Guarantors hereby agree as follows with the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties:

1. The New Subsidiary Guarantor hereby acknowledges, agrees and confirms that, by its execution of this Agreement, the New Subsidiary Guarantor will be deemed to be a party to and a "Subsidiary Guarantor" under the Credit Agreement and shall have all of the obligations of a Subsidiary Guarantor thereunder as if it had executed the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents as a Subsidiary Guarantor. The New Subsidiary Guarantor hereby ratifies, as of the date hereof, and agrees to be bound by, all representations and warranties, covenants and other terms, conditions and provisions of the Credit Agreement and the other applicable Loan Documents. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing terms of this Paragraph 1, the New Subsidiary Guarantor hereby guarantees, jointly and severally together with the other Guarantors, the prompt payment of the Secured Obligations in accordance with Article X of the Credit Agreement.

2. After giving effect to the Supplements to the Disclosure Schedules on Exhibit A, each of the New Subsidiary Guarantor and the Borrower and the other Subsidiary Guarantors hereby agree that all of the representations and warranties contained in Article V of the Credit Agreement and each other Loan Document, or which are contained in any document furnished at any time under or in connection therewith, are (i) with respect to representations and warranties that contain a materiality qualification, true and correct on and as of the date hereof and (ii) with respect to representations and warranties that do not contain a materiality qualification, true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date hereof, except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date and except that for purposes of this Joinder Agreement, the representations and warranties contained in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 5.05 of the Credit Agreement shall be deemed to refer to the most recent statements furnished pursuant to clauses (a) and (b), respectively, of Section 6.01 of the Credit Agreement.

3. The New Subsidiary Guarantor hereby acknowledges, agrees and confirms that, by its execution of this Agreement, the New Subsidiary Guarantor will be deemed to be a party to the Security Agreement, and shall have all the rights and obligations of an "Grantor" (as such term is defined in the Security Agreement) thereunder as if it had executed the Security Agreement. The New Subsidiary Guarantor hereby ratifies, as of the date hereof, and agrees to be bound by, all of the terms, provisions and conditions contained in the Security Agreement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing terms of this Paragraph 3, the New Subsidiary Guarantor hereby grants, pledges and assigns to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, a continuing security interest in, and a right of set off, to the extent applicable, against any and all right, title and interest of the New Subsidiary Guarantor in and to the Collateral (as such term is defined in Section 2 of the Security Agreement) of the New Subsidiary Guarantor.

4. The New Subsidiary Guarantor acknowledges and confirms that it has received a copy of the Credit Agreement and the schedules and exhibits thereto and each Loan Document and Collateral Document and the schedules and exhibits thereto. The information on the schedules to the Credit Agreement and the Collateral Documents are hereby supplemented (to the extent permitted under the Credit Agreement or Collateral Documents) to reflect the information shown on the attached <u>Schedule A</u>.

5. The Borrower and each other Subsidiary Guarantor confirm that the Credit Agreement is, and upon the New Subsidiary Guarantor becoming a Subsidiary Guarantor, shall continue to be, in full force and effect. The parties hereto confirm and agree that immediately upon the New Subsidiary Guarantor becoming a Subsidiary Guarantor the term "Obligations," as used in the Credit Agreement, shall include all obligations of the New Subsidiary Guarantor under the Credit Agreement and under each other Loan Document.

6. Each of the Borrower, the Subsidiary Guarantors and the New Subsidiary Guarantor agrees that at any time and from time to time, upon the written request of the Administrative Agent, it will execute and deliver such further documents and do such further acts as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents in order to effect the purposes of this Agreement.

7. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, which together shall constitute one instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement.

8. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. The terms of Sections 11.14 and 11.15 of the Credit Agreement are incorporated herein by reference, mutatis mutandis, and the parties hereto agree to such terms.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the Borrower, the Subsidiary Guarantors and the New Subsidiary Guarantor has caused this Agreement to be duly executed by its authorized officer, and the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, has caused the same to be accepted by its authorized officer, as of the day and year first above written.

NEW SUBSIDIARY GUARANTOR:

BORROWER:

[NEW S	SUBSIDIARY GUARANTOR],
a [] corporation

By: Name: Title:

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC., the Borrower

], as

By: Name: Title:

OTHER SUBSIDIARY GUARANTORS:

[_____ Subsidiary Guarantor

By: Name: Title: Acknowledged, accepted and agreed:

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

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

Schedule A

Schedules to Credit Agreement and Collateral Documents

[To be completed and attached by the Borrower and New Subsidiary Guarantor.]

EXHIBIT E

[Form of] Loan Notice

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

RE: Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiary Guarantors party thereto from time to time, the Lenders party thereto from time to time and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement)

DATE: [Date]

The undersigned hereby requests (select one):

□ A Borrowing of Revolving Loans

□ A [conversion] or [continuation] of Revolving Loans

- 1. On _____ (the "<u>Credit Extension Date</u>").
- 2. In the amount of \$_____
- 3. Comprised of:
 Base Rate Loans
 Eurodollar Rate Loans
- 4. For Eurodollar Rate Loans: with an Interest Period of ____ months.

[The Revolving Borrowing requested herein complies with the proviso to the first sentence of Section 2.01 of the Credit Agreement.]¹

The Borrower hereby represents and warrants that the conditions specified in Section 4.02 of the Credit Agreement shall be satisfied on and as of the date of the Credit Extension Date.

Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this notice by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this notice.

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¹ Include this sentence in the case of a Revolving Borrowing.

Duly executed and delivered as of the date first written above.

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC., the Borrower

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

EXHIBIT F

Form of Permitted Acquisition Certificate

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

RE: Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiary Guarantors party thereto from time to time, the Lenders party thereto from time to time and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement)

DATE: [Date]

[Loan Party] intends to make an Acquisition (the "<u>Proposed Acquisition</u>") of [_____] (the "<u>Target</u>"). The undersigned Responsible Officer of the Borrower, hereby certifies that:

(a) The Proposed Acquisition is an acquisition of a type of business (or assets used in a type of business) permitted to be engaged in by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries pursuant to the terms of the Credit Agreement.

(b) No Default or Event of Default exists now or would exist after giving effect to the Proposed Acquisition.

(c) After giving effect to the Proposed Acquisition, on a Pro Forma Basis, the Loan Parties are in Pro Forma Compliance, including, without limitation, with each of the financial covenants set forth in <u>Section 7.11</u> of the Credit Agreement (in each case, as demonstrated on <u>Schedule A</u> attached hereto).

(d) The Loan Parties [have complied][shall comply] with Sections 6.13 and 6.14 of the Credit Agreement, to the extent required to do so thereby.

(e) [The Target has earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization for the twelve (12) fiscal month period prior to the acquisition date, and after giving effect to any pro forma adjustments (which shall be set forth in detail on <u>Schedule A</u>) reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, in an amount greater than \$0.]¹

(f) The Proposed Acquisition is not a "hostile" acquisition and has been approved by the board of directors (or equivalent) and/or shareholders (or equivalents) of the applicable Loan Party and the Target.

¹ Condition may be eliminated to the extent agreed to by the Administrative Agent.

[(g) Attached hereto as <u>Schedule B</u> is (i) a description of any proposed earn-outs, milestone payments, royalty payments, working capital adjustments and other similar payments or other deferred or contingent liabilities to be incurred by (including any such liabilities of the "Target" to be assumed by) the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in connection with such Acquisition, and (ii) historical financial statements relating to the business of the Target and financial projections relating to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries after giving effect to such Acquisition (as reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent).]²

Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Certificate by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Certificate.

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² To be included if the Cost of Acquisitions of the Proposed Acquisition is greater than \$10,000,000.

This Permitted Acquisition Certificate has been duly executed and delivered as of the date first set forth above.

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC., the Borrower

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

Schedule A

Financial Covenant Calculations

[To be completed and attached by the Borrower.]

[Schedule B

Description of Contingent Liabilities and Historical Financial Calculations

[To be completed by the Borrower.]]¹

 $\overline{}^{1}$ To be included, if necessary.

EXHIBIT G

[Form of] Revolving Note

[_____, ___]

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), hereby promises to pay to [______] or its registered assigns (the "<u>Lender</u>"), in accordance with the provisions of the Credit Agreement (as hereinafter defined), the principal amount of each Revolving Loan from time to time made by the Lender to the Borrower under that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, (as amended, restated, extended, supplemented or otherwise modified in writing from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>;" the terms defined therein being used herein as therein defined), among the Borrower, the Subsidiary Guarantors from time to time party thereto, the Lenders from time to time party thereto, and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender.

The Borrower promises to pay interest on the unpaid principal amount of each Revolving Loan from the date of such Revolving Loan until such principal amount is paid in full, at such interest rates and at such times as provided in the Credit Agreement. Except as otherwise provided in Section 2.04(f) of the Credit Agreement with respect to Swingline Loans, all payments of principal and interest shall be made to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lender in Dollars in immediately available funds at the Administrative Agent's Office. If any amount is not paid in full when due hereunder (subject to applicable grace periods), such unpaid amount shall bear interest, to be paid upon demand, from the due date thereof until the date of actual payment (and before as well as after judgment) computed at the per annum rate set forth in the Credit Agreement.

This Revolving Note is one of the Revolving Notes referred to in the Credit Agreement, and the holder is entitled to the benefits thereof. The Obligations of the Borrower under this Revolving Note are secured by the Collateral under the Collateral Documents and are entitled to the benefits of the Guaranty. Revolving Loans made by the Lender shall be evidenced by one or more loan accounts or records maintained by the Lender in the ordinary course of business. The Lender may also attach schedules to this Revolving Note and endorse thereon the date, amount and maturity of its Revolving Loans and payments with respect thereto.

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

Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Revolving Note by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Revolving Note.

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

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This Revolving Note has been duly executed and delivered as of the date first set forth above.

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC., a Massachusetts corporation

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

EXHIBIT H

[Form of] Secured Party Designation Notice

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

RE: Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiary Guarantors party thereto from time to time, the Lenders party thereto from time to time and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement)

DATE: [Date]

[Name of Cash Management Bank/Hedge Bank] (the "<u>Secured Party</u>") hereby notifies you, pursuant to the terms of the Credit Agreement, that the Secured Party meets the requirements of a [Cash Management Bank] [Hedge Bank] under the terms of the Credit Agreement and is a [Cash Management Bank] [Hedge Bank] under the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this notice by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this notice.

A duly authorized officer of the undersigned has executed this notice as of the day and year set forth above.

as a [Cash Management Bank] [Hedge Bank]

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

EXHIBIT I

[Form of] Solvency Certificate

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

RE: Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiary Guarantors party thereto from time to time, the Lenders party thereto from time to time and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement)

DATE: [Date]

The undersigned Responsible Officer of the Borrower is familiar with the properties, businesses, assets and liabilities of the Loan Parties and is duly authorized to execute this certificate on behalf of the Borrower and the other Loan Parties.

The undersigned certifies that [he/she] has made such investigation and inquiries as to the financial condition of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries as the undersigned deems necessary and prudent for the purpose of providing this Solvency Certificate. The undersigned acknowledges that the Administrative Agent and the Lenders are relying on the truth and accuracy of this Solvency Certificate in connection with the making of Credit Extensions and the other transactions contemplated under the Credit Agreement.

The undersigned certifies that the financial information, projections and assumptions which underlie and form the basis for the representations made in this Solvency Certificate were reasonable when made and were made in good faith and continue to be reasonable as of the date hereof.

BASED ON THE FOREGOING, the undersigned certifies that, both before and after giving effect to the transactions contemplated by the Credit Agreement:

(a) The fair value of the property of the Borrower, individually, and the Loan Parties, together with their Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis, is, in each case, greater than the total amount of liabilities, including contingent liabilities, of the Borrower, individually, and the Loan Parties, together with their Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis.

(b) The present fair salable value of the assets of the Borrower, individually, and the Loan Parties, together with their Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis, is, in each case, not less than the amount that will be required to pay the probable liability of the Borrower, individually, and the Loan Parties, together with their Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis, on their respective debts as they become absolute and matured.

(c) None of the Borrower, individually, or the Loan Parties, together with their Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis, intends to, or believes that it will, incur debts or liabilities beyond such respective Person's ability to pay such debts and liabilities as they mature.

(d) None of the Borrower, individually, or the Loan Parties, together with their Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis, is engaged in business or a transaction, and is not about to engage in business or a transaction, for which such Person's property would constitute an unreasonably small capital.

(e) The Borrower, individually, and the Loan Parties, together with their Subsidiaries on a Consolidated basis, is able, individually or on a Consolidated basis, as applicable, to pay its debts and liabilities, contingent obligations and other commitments as they mature in the ordinary course of business.

(f) The amount of contingent liabilities at any time have been computed as the amount that, in the light of all the facts and circumstances existing at such time, represents the amount that can reasonably be expected to become an actual or matured liability.

Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Solvency Certificate by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Solvency Certificate.

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This Solvency Certificate has been duly executed and delivered by the undersigned as of the date first written above.

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC., a Massachusetts corporation

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

EXHIBIT J

[Form of] Swingline Loan Notice

- TO: Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent and Swingline Lender
- RE: Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiary Guarantors from time to time party thereto, the Lenders from time to time party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement)

DATE: [Date]

The undersigned hereby requests a Swingline Loan:

- 1. On _____ (the "<u>Credit Extension Date</u>")
- 2. In the amount of \$_____

The Swingline Borrowing requested herein complies with the requirements of the proviso contained in the second sentence of Section 2.04(a) of the Credit Agreement.

The Borrower hereby represents and warrants that the conditions specified in Section 4.02 shall be satisfied on and as of the date of the Credit Extension Date.

Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this notice by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this notice.

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Duly executed and delivered as of the date first written above.

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC., the Borrower

By:	
Name:	
TITLE:	

[Form of] U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate

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

Reference is hereby made to the Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiary Guarantors from time to time party thereto, the Lenders from time to time party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement). Pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.01 of the Credit Agreement, the undersigned hereby certifies that (a) it is the sole record and beneficial owner of the Loan(s) (as well as any Revolving Note(s) evidencing such Loan(s)) in respect of which it is providing this certificate, (b) it is not a bank within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code, (c) it is not a ten percent shareholder of the Borrower within the meaning of Section 871(h)(3)(B) of the Code, and (d) it is not a controlled foreign corporation related to the Borrower as described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code.

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

[NAME OF FOREIGN LENDER]

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

Date: _____, ____,

[Form of] U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate

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

Reference is hereby made to the Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiary Guarantors from time to time party thereto, the Lenders from time to time party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement). Pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.01 of the Credit Agreement, the undersigned hereby certifies that (a) it is the sole record and beneficial owner of the participation in respect of which it is providing this certificate, (b) it is not a bank within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code, (c) it is not a ten percent shareholder of the Borrower within the meaning of Section 871(h)(3)(B) of the Code, and (d) it is not a controlled foreign corporation related to the Borrower as described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code.

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

[NAME OF PARTICIPANT]

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

Date: _____, ____,

[Form of] U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate

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

Reference is hereby made to the Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiary Guarantors from time to time party thereto, the Lenders from time to time party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement). Pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.01 of the Credit Agreement, the undersigned hereby certifies that (a) it is the sole record owner of the participation in respect of which it is providing this certificate, (b) its direct or indirect partners/members are the sole beneficial owners of such participation, (c) with respect such participation, neither the undersigned nor any of its direct or indirect partners/members is a bank extending credit pursuant to a loan agreement entered into in the ordinary course of its trade or business within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code, (d) none of its direct or indirect partners/members is a ten percent shareholder of the Borrower within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code.

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

[NAME OF PARTICIPANT]

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

Date: _____, ____,

[Form of] U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate

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

Reference is hereby made to the Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiary Guarantors from time to time party thereto, the Lenders from time to time party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement). Pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.01 of the Credit Agreement, the undersigned hereby certifies that (a) it is the sole record owner of the Loan(s) (as well as any Revolving Note(s) evidencing such Loan(s)) in respect of which it is providing this certificate, (b) its direct or indirect partners/members are the sole beneficial owners of such Loan(s) (as well as any Revolving Note(s) evidencing such Loan(s)), (c) with respect to the extension of credit pursuant to this Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document, neither the undersigned nor any of its direct or indirect partners/members is a bank extending credit pursuant to a loan agreement entered into in the ordinary course of its trade or business within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code, (d) none of its direct or indirect partners/members is a ten percent shareholder of the Borrower within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code and (e) none of its direct or indirect partners/members is a controlled foreign corporation related to the Borrower as described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code.

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

[NAME OF LENDER]

By:	
By: Name:	
Title:	
Date:	,,,

EXHIBIT L

Intentionally Omitted.

EXHIBIT M-1

[Form of] Landlord Waiver (Books and Records Location)

This LANDLORD WAIVER AND CONSENT (this "<u>Waiver and Consent</u>") is entered into as of this ____ day of ______, 20___, by _____, a ______ (the "<u>Landlord</u>"), the sole owner of the Premises (as defined below) in favor of BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., in its capacity as administrative agent (the "<u>Agent</u>") for itself and certain other secured parties (the "<u>Secured Parties</u>") providing the financing arrangements referenced below.

To induce the Secured Parties to extend credit to the Company, the Landlord agrees that: (a) none of the Collateral located on the Premises shall be deemed to be fixtures, and all of the Collateral shall remain the personal property of the Company and its affiliates; (b) the Landlord will notify the Agent if the Company defaults under the Lease and allow the Agent at least 45 days from its receipt of such notice in which to cure or cause the Company to cure any such default; (c) if the Landlord intends to take possession of the Premises during the term of the Lease, it will notify the Agent at least 45 days before taking such action; (d) the Landlord will not assert against any of the Collateral any security interest, landlord's lien, claim or any other statutory or possessory lien or right, including, without limitation, any right of levy or distraint for rent; and (e) if the Company defaults on its obligations to the Secured Parties (a "<u>Default</u>") and, as a result, the Agent or the Secured Parties undertake to enforce its security interest in the Collateral, the Landlord will permit the Agent for a period of up to 60 days after the Agent notifies the Landlord of such Default, to enter onto the Premises to preserve and remove any Collateral from the Premises actually caused by the conduct of any removal of Collateral by or through the Agent (ordinary wear and tear excluded) and (ii) to pay to the Landlord the per diem "Base Rent" that the Company is obligated to pay under the lease for the period the Agent, for purposes of such removal, occupies the Premises. Landlord and Company represent and warrant that the Lease, together with all assignments, modifications, supplementations and amendments thereto set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u>, represents, as of the date hereof, the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the lease of the Premises.

Any notices under this Waiver and Consent shall be sent by certified mail, addressed to the Agent or the Landlord, as applicable, at its address set forth below. The Landlord will notify all successor claimants to an interest in the Premises of this Waiver and Consent which shall be binding upon the Landlord's successors and assigns. Upon any permitted transfer or assignment of the Lease by the Company to a successor or assign, the term "<u>Company</u>" shall automatically be deemed to refer to any such successor or assignee.

Delivery of an executed counterpart of this Waiver and Consent by facsimile or electronic mail in portable document format (.pdf) shall be equally effective as delivery of an original executed counterpart of this Waiver and Consent. This Waiver and Consent may be executed in any number of several counterparts. This Waiver and Consent shall be governed by, and construed and interpreted in accordance with, the law of the State of New York. This Waiver and Consent may not be amended, modified or waived except by a written amendment or instrument signed by each of the Landlord, the Company and the Agent. The effectiveness of this Waiver and Consent and the Agent's rights hereunder shall not be affected by and shall extend to any amendment or modification of the documents governing the financing arrangements. This Waiver and Consent shall terminate upon the earlier of (i) such time as all the obligations owing from the Borrower, the Company and their affiliates to Agent have been paid in full and the financing arrangements have been terminated and (ii) the Landlord's receipt of written notice from the Agent terminating this Waiver and Consent.

THE LANDLORD WAIVES, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT NOT PROHIBITED BY LAW, ANY RIGHT THE LANDLORD MAY HAVE TO CLAIM OR RECOVER FROM THE AGENT IN ANY LEGAL ACTION OR PROCEEDING ANY SPECIAL, EXEMPLARY, PUNITIVE OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES. THE LANDLORD AND THE AGENT HEREBY VOLUNTARILY, KNOWINGLY, IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO HAVE A JURY PARTICIPATE IN RESOLVING ANY DISPUTE BETWEEN THE LANDLORD AND THE AGENT IN ANY WAY RELATED TO THIS WAIVER AND CONSENT.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Landlord and Agent have each caused this Waiver and Consent to be duly executed by their respective authorized representatives as of the date first set forth above.

LANDLORD:

By: Name:

Its:

Address for Notices:

COMPANY:

By: Name: Its:

Address for Notices:

AGENT:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as Agent

By: Name: Title:

Address for Notices:

Bank of America, N.A. [_____] Attn:

Exhibit A

Lease

Please see attached.

EXHIBIT M-2

[Form of] Landlord Waiver (Inventory Location)

LANDLORD WAIVER

THIS LANDLORD WAIVER (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is entered into as of this [___] day of [____], 2017 by [_____], a [____] ("<u>Landlord</u>"), the owner of certain real property, buildings and improvements located at [_____], and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent (the "<u>Administrative Agent</u>") for itself and the other Lenders from time to time party to that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017 (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement) by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the guarantors from time to time party thereto (the "<u>Subsidiary Guarantors</u>" and together with the Borrower, the "<u>Loan Parties</u>"), the Lenders from time to time party thereto (the "<u>Lenders</u>") and the Administrative Agent.

Recitals:

A. The Lenders have agreed to provide the Borrower with certain financial accommodations (the "Loans") under the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement. The Loan Parties have secured the repayment of the Loans and certain other obligations (collectively, the "Obligations") by granting the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, a security interest in substantially all of the Loan Parties' personal property, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, including all proceeds of any of the foregoing (collectively, the "<u>Collateral</u>").

B. Whereas Landlord is the lessor under the lease attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> (the "<u>Lease</u>") with [_____] (the "<u>Tenant</u>") as lessee pursuant to which Landlord has leased certain premises to Tenant located at [_____] (the "<u>Premises</u>").

C. As a condition to extending the Loans, the Administrative Agent has requested that the Loan Parties obtain, and cause the Landlord to provide, a waiver and subordination, pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, of all of its rights against any of the Collateral until the Facility Termination Date.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, and the mutual benefits accruing to the Administrative Agent and Landlord as a result of the Loans provided by the Lenders pursuant to the Credit Agreement, the sufficiency and receipt of such consideration being hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Landlord hereby subordinates in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, any and all rights or interests that Landlord, or its successors and assigns, may now or hereafter have in or to the Collateral, including, without limitation, any lien, claim, charge or encumbrance of any kind or nature, arising by statute, contract, common law or otherwise.

2. Landlord hereby agrees that the liens and security interests existing in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, shall be prior and superior to (a) any and all rights of distraint, levy, and execution which Landlord may now or hereafter have against the Collateral, (b) any and all liens and security interests which Landlord may now or hereafter have on and in the Collateral, and (c) any and all other rights, demands and claims of every nature whatsoever which Landlord may now or hereafter have on or against the Collateral for any reason whatsoever, including, without limitation, rent, storage charge, or similar expense, cost or sum due or to become due Landlord by Tenant under the provisions of any lease, storage agreement or otherwise, and Landlord hereby subordinates all of its foregoing rights and interests in the Collateral to the security interest of the Administrative Agent in the Collateral. Landlord deems the Collateral to be personal property, not fixtures.

3. Upon written notice from the Administrative Agent that an event of default has occurred and is continuing under the Credit Agreement, Landlord agrees that the Administrative Agent or its delegates or assigns may enter upon the Premises at any time or times, during normal business hours, to inspect or remove the Collateral, or any part thereof, from the Premises, without charge, either prior to or subsequent to the termination of the Lease, provided that in any event such removal shall occur no later than forty-five (45) days after the termination of the Lease. The Administrative Agent shall repair or pay reasonable compensation to Landlord for damage, if any, to the Premises caused by the removal of the Collateral. In addition to the above removal rights, the Landlord will permit the Administrative Agent to remain on the Premises for forty-five (45) days after the Administrative Agent gives the Landlord notice of its intention to do so and to take such action as the Administrative Agent deems necessary or appropriate in order to liquidate the Collateral, provided that the Administrative Agent shall pay to the Landlord the basic rent due under the Lease pro-rated on a per diem basis determined on a 30-day month (provided, that such rent shall exclude any rent adjustments, indemnity payments or similar amounts payable under the Lease for default, holdover status or similar charges).

4. Landlord represents and warrants: (a) that it has not assigned its claims for payment, if any, nor its right to perfect or assert a lien of any kind whatsoever against Tenant's Collateral; (b) that it has the right, power and authority to execute this Agreement; (c) that it holds legal title to the Premises; (d) that it is not aware of any breach or default by the Tenant of its obligations under the Lease with respect to the Premises; and (e) the Lease, together with all assignments, modifications, supplementations and amendments set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u>, represents, as of the date hereof, the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the lease of the Premises. Landlord further agrees to provide the Administrative Agent with prompt written notice in the event that Landlord sells the Premises or any portion thereof.

5. The Landlord shall send to the Administrative Agent (in the manner provided herein) a copy of any notice or statement sent to the Tenant by the Landlord asserting a default under the Lease. Such copy shall be sent to the Administrative Agent at the same time such notice or statement is sent to the Tenant. Notices shall be sent to the Administrative Agent by prepaid, registered or certified mail, addressed to the Administrative Agent at the address listed on its signature page hereto, or such other address as the Administrative Agent shall designate to the Landlord in writing.

6. The Landlord shall not terminate the Lease or pursue any other right or remedy under the Lease by reason of any default of the Tenant under the Lease, until the Landlord shall have given a copy of such written notice to the Administrative Agent as provided above and, in the event any such default is not cured by the Tenant within any time period provided for under the terms and conditions of the Lease, the Landlord will allow the Administrative Agent (a) thirty (30) days from the expiration of the Tenant's cure period under the Lease within which the Administrative Agent shall have the right, but shall not be obligated, to remedy such act, omission or other default and Landlord will accept such performance by the Administrative Agent and (b) up to an additional sixty (60) days to occupy the Premises; provided that during such period of occupation the Administrative Agent shall pay to the Landlord the basic rent due under the Lease pro-rated on a per diem basis determined on a thirty (30) day month (provided that such rent shall exclude any rent adjustments, indemnity payments or similar amounts payable under the Lease for default, holdover or similar charge). The Administrative Agent shall not (a) be liable to the Landlord for any diminution in value caused by the absence of any removed Collateral or for any other matter except as specifically set forth herein or (b) have any duty or obligation to remove or dispose of any Collateral or other property left on the Premises by the Tenant.

7. The undersigned will notify all successor owners, transferees, purchasers and mortgagees of the Premises of the existence of this Agreement. The agreements contained herein may not be modified or terminated orally and shall be binding upon the successors, assigns and personal representatives of the undersigned, upon any successor owner or transferee of the Premises, and upon any purchasers, including any mortgagee, from the undersigned.

8. This Agreement shall continue in effect until the Facility Termination Date and any substitutions therefor, shall be binding upon the successors, assigns and transferees of Landlord, and shall inure to the benefit of the transferees of Landlord, and shall inure to the benefit of the transferees of Landlord, and shall inure to the benefit of the transferees of Landlord, and shall inure to the benefit of and reliance on this Agreement.

9. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, which together shall constitute one instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement.

10. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and interpreted in accordance with, the law of the State of New York. All judicial proceedings brought by the Landlord, the Administrative Agent or the Tenant with respect to this Agreement may be brought in any state or federal court of competent jurisdiction in the State of New York, and, by execution and delivery of this Agreement, each of the Landlord, Administrative Agent and the Tenant accepts, for itself and in connection with its properties, generally and unconditionally, the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the aforesaid courts and irrevocably agrees to be bound by any final judgment rendered thereby in connection with this Agreement from which no appeal has been taken or is available.

11. This Agreement represents the agreement of the Landlord, Administrative Agent and the Tenant with respect to the subject matter hereof, and there are no promises, undertakings, representations or warranties by the Landlord, Administrative Agent and the Tenant relative to the subject matter hereof not expressly set forth or referred to herein.

12. This Agreement may not be amended, modified or waived except by a written amendment or instrument signed by each of the Landlord, the Administrative Agent and the Tenant.

13. **WAIVER OF SPECIAL DAMAGES.** THE LANDLORD WAIVES, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT NOT PROHIBITED BY LAW, ANY RIGHT THE LANDLORD MAY HAVE TO CLAIM OR RECOVER FROM THE AGENT IN ANY LEGAL ACTION OR PROCEEDING ANY SPECIAL, EXEMPLARY, PUNITIVE OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

14. **JURY WAIVER.** THE LANDLORD AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT HEREBY VOLUNTARILY, KNOWINGLY, IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO HAVE A JURY PARTICIPATE IN RESOLVING ANY DISPUTE BETWEEN THE LANDLORD AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT IN ANY WAY RELATED TO THIS WAIVER.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Landlord and the Administrative Agent have each caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their respective authorized representatives as of the date first above written.

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as Landlord	
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By:	
Name:	
Title:	
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Address for Notices:

Acknowledged and Agreed:

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as Tenant

By: Name:

Title:

Address for Notices:

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

By: Name: Title:

Address for Notices:

Exhibit A

Lease

[TO BE ATTACHED]

EXHIBIT N¹

[Form of] Authorization to Share Insurance Information

TO: Insurance Agent

RE: Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "Borrower"), the Subsidiary Guarantors party thereto from time to time, the Lenders party thereto from time to time and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement)

DATE: ____

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<u>Grantor</u> :	[Insert Applicable Loan Party Name] (the " <u>Grantor</u> ")
<u>Administrative Agent</u> :	Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent for the Secured Parties, I.S.A.O.A., A.T.I.M.A. Attn: MAC Legal, Mail Code: NC1-001-05-45 101 N Tryon St Charlotte, NC, 28255-0001
Policy Number:	[Insert Applicable Policy Number]
Insurance Company/Agent:	[Insert Applicable Insurance Company/Agent] (the "Insurance Agent")
Insurance Company Address:	[Insert Insurance Company's Address]
Insurance Company Telephone No.:	[Insert Insurance Company's Telephone No.]
Insurance Company Fax No.:	[Insert Insurance Company's Fax No.]

The Grantor hereby authorizes the Insurance Agent to send evidence of all insurance to the Administrative Agent, as may be requested by the Administrative Agent, together with requested insurance policies, certificates of insurance, declarations and endorsements.

Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Certificate by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Certificate.

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¹ <u>Note to Draft</u>: Delivery is subject to review and discussion.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Authorization to Share Insurance Information has been duly executed and delivered as of the date first set forth above.

[GRANTOR NAME], a [Jurisdiction and Type of Organization]

By: Name: Title:

EXHIBIT O

[Form of] Notice of Loan Prepayment

- TO: Bank of America, N.A., as [Administrative Agent][Swingline Lender]
- RE: Credit Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among Anika Therapeutics, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiary Guarantors party thereto from time to time, the Lenders party thereto from time to time and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Swingline Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement)

DATE: [Date]

The Borrower hereby notifies the Administrative Agent that on ______, 20___1 pursuant to the terms of Section 2.05 (Prepayments) of the Credit Agreement, the Borrower intends to prepay/repay the following Loans as more specifically set forth below:

- □ Optional prepayment of Revolving Loans in the following amount(s):
 - Eurodollar Rate Loans: \$______

 Applicable Interest Period: ______
 - Base Rate Loans: \$_____3
- □ Optional prepayment of Swingline Loans in the following amount: \$_____4

Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this notice by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this notice.

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¹ Specify date of such prepayment.

² Any prepayment of Eurodollar Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$[____] or a whole multiple of \$[____] in excess thereof (or if less, the entire principal amount thereof outstanding).

³ Any prepayment of Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$[____] or a whole multiple of \$[____] in excess thereof (or if less, the entire principal amount thereof outstanding).

⁴ Any prepayment of Swingline Loans shall be in a principal amount of $[____]$ or a whole multiple of $[____]$ in excess thereof (or if less, the entire principal amount thereof outstanding).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Notice of Loan Prepayment has been duly executed and delivered as of the date first set forth above.

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC., the Borrower

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

[EXECUTION COPY]

SECURITY AND PLEDGE AGREEMENT

This **SECURITY AND PLEDGE AGREEMENT** (as amended, modified, extended, restated, renewed, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, this "<u>Agreement</u>") is entered into as of October 24, 2017 among **ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC.**, a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiaries of the Borrower identified as "Grantors" on the signature pages hereto and such other parties that may become Grantors hereunder after the date hereof (together with the Borrower, each individually a "<u>Grantor</u>", and collectively, the "<u>Grantors</u>") and **BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.**, in its capacity as administrative agent (in such capacity, the "<u>Administrative Agent</u>") for the Secured Parties.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, pursuant to that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of the date hereof (as amended, modified, extended, restated, renewed, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), among the Borrower, the Subsidiary Guarantors party thereto from time to time, the Lenders party thereto from time to time and the Administrative Agent, the Lenders have agreed to make Loans and issue Letters of Credit upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement is required by the terms of the Credit Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of these premises and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

(a) Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Credit Agreement. With reference to this Agreement, unless otherwise specified herein: (i) the definitions of terms herein shall apply equally to the singular and plural forms of the terms defined, (ii) whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms, (iii) the words "includes", "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation", (iv) the word "will" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall", (v) any definition of, or reference to, any agreement, instrument or other document herein shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document, as from time to time amended, supplemented or otherwise modified (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, supplements or modifications set forth herein), (vi) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's permitted successors and assigns, (vii) the words "herein", "hereof" and "hereunder", and words of similar import, shall be construed to refer to this Agreement in its entirety and not to any particular provision hereof, (viii) all references herein to Sections, Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed to refer to Sections of, and Exhibits and Schedules to, this Agreement, (ix) the words "asset" and "property" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect and to refer to any and all tangible and intangible assets and properties, including cash, securities, accounts and contract rights, (x) the term "documents" includes any and all instruments, documents, agreements, certificates, notices, reports, financial statements and other writings, however evidenced, whether in physical or electronic form, (xi) in the computation of periods of time from a specified date to a later specified date, the word "from" means "from and including;" the words "to" and "until" each mean "to but excluding;" and the word "through" means "to and including", (xii) Section headings herein are included for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement and (xiii) where the context requires, terms relating to the Collateral or any part thereof, when used in relation to a Grantor, shall refer to such Grantor's Collateral or the relevant part thereof.

(b) The following terms shall have the meanings set forth in the UCC (defined below): Accession, Account, Account Debtor, Adverse Claim, As-Extracted Collateral, Certificated Security, Chattel Paper, Commercial Tort Claim, Consumer Goods, Deposit Account, Document, Electronic Chattel Paper, Equipment, Farm Products, Financial Asset, Fixtures, General Intangible, Goods, Instrument, Inventory, Investment Company Security, Investment Property, Letter-of-Credit Right, Manufactured Home, Payment Intangible, Proceeds, Securities Account, Securities Intermediary, Security, Software, Supporting Obligation and Tangible Chattel Paper.

(c) In addition, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

"<u>Assignment of Claims Act</u>" means the Assignment of Claims Act of 1940 (41 U.S.C. Section 15, 31 U.S.C. Section 3737, and 31 U.S.C. Section 3727), including all amendments thereto and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"<u>Collateral</u>" has the meaning provided in <u>Section 2</u> hereof.

"<u>Control</u>" means the manner in which "control" is achieved under the UCC with respect to any Collateral for which the UCC specifies a method of achieving "control".

"<u>Copyright License</u>" means any agreement now or hereafter in existence, providing for the grant to any Person of any rights (including, without limitation, the grant of rights for a party to be designated as an author or owner and/or to enforce, defend, use, display, copy, manufacture, distribute, exploit and sell, make derivative works, and require joinder in suit and/or receive assistance from another party) in a Copyright.

"<u>Copyrights</u>" means, collectively, all of the following of any Grantor: (i) all copyrights, works protectable by copyright, copyright registrations and copyright applications anywhere in the world, (ii) all derivative works, counterparts, extensions and renewals of any of the foregoing, (iii) all income, royalties, damages and payments now or hereafter due and/or payable under any of the foregoing or with respect to any of the foregoing, including, without limitation, damages or payments for past, present and future infringements, violations or misappropriations of any of the foregoing and (v) all rights corresponding to any of the foregoing throughout the world.

"Excluded Property" means, collectively, (a) more than sixty-five percent (65%) of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests entitled to vote (within the meaning of Treas. Reg. Section 1.956-2(c)(2)) in each Foreign Subsidiary of the Borrower that is a CFC, (b) any permit, license or any Contractual Obligation of a Grantor to the extent the grant of a security interest in such permit, license, or Contractual Obligation in the manner contemplated by this Agreement, under applicable Law, is prohibited and would result in the termination thereof or give the other parties thereto the right to terminate, accelerate or otherwise alter such Grantor's rights, titles and interests thereunder (including upon the giving of notice or the lapse of time or both), provided, that (i) any such limitation described in the foregoing clause (b) on the security interests granted hereunder shall only apply to the extent that any such prohibition or right to terminate or accelerate or alter the Grantor's rights could not be rendered ineffective pursuant to the UCC or any other applicable Law (including Debtor Relief Laws) or principles of equity and (ii) in the event of the termination or elimination of any such prohibition or right or the requirement for any consent contained in any applicable Law, permit, license or other Contractual Obligation, to the extent sufficient to permit any such item to become Collateral hereunder, or upon the granting of any such consent, or waiving or terminating any requirement for such consent, a security interest in such permit, license or other Contractual Obligation shall be automatically and simultaneously granted hereunder and shall be included as Collateral hereunder, (c) any property which, subject to the terms of Section 7.02(c) of the Credit Agreement, is subject to a Lien of the type described in Section 7.01(i) of the Credit Agreement, to the extent that a grant of a security interest in such property would require a consent that has not been obtained or would violate or invalidate such financing arrangements, but only to the extent, and for as long as, such consent is not obtained or such prohibition or right of termination is not terminated or rendered unenforceable or otherwise deemed ineffective by the UCC or any other applicable Law, and (d) any Intellectual Property (including any Software); provided, however, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained above, "Excluded Property" shall not include (i) (x) any income, royalties, damages and payments (including, without limitation, damages or payments for past, present and future infringements, violations or misappropriations) now or hereafter due and/or payable in respect of patents, patent rights, trademarks, service marks, trade names, and copyrights of any Grantor, the intellectual property know-how related thereto and the right to grant further licenses in respect thereof or (y) any contract or other agreement pursuant to which any Grantor receives income, royalties, damages, payments, or has rights to payment, now or hereafter due or payable under, on account of or with respect to any Intellectual Property of any Grantor, or the rights (including any such rights to payment) of any Grantor in or under such contract or agreement, and all similar rights corresponding thereto or (ii) any proceeds, products, substitutions or replacements of Excluded Property (unless such proceeds, products, substitutions or replacements would themselves otherwise constitute Excluded Property).

"<u>Government Contract</u>" means a contract between any Grantor and an agency, department or instrumentality of the United States or any state, municipal or local Governmental Authority located in the United States or all obligations of any such Governmental Authority arising under any Account now or hereafter owing by any such Governmental Authority, as Account Debtor, to any Grantor.

"<u>Intellectual Property</u>" means, collectively, all of the following of any Grantor: (i) all systems software and applications software (including source code and object code), all documentation for such software, including, without limitation, user manuals, flowcharts, functional specifications, operations manuals, and all formulas, processes, ideas and know-how embodied in any of the foregoing that are developed by such Grantor, (ii) concepts, discoveries, improvements and ideas, know-how, technology, reports, design information, trade secrets, practices, specifications, test procedures, maintenance manuals, research and development, inventions (whether or not patentable), blueprints, drawings, data, customer lists, catalogs, and all physical embodiments of any of the foregoing that are developed by such Grantor, (iii) Patents and Patent Licenses, Copyrights and Copyright Licenses, Trademarks and Trademark Licenses.

"Issuer" means the issuer of any Pledged Equity.

"<u>Patent License</u>" means any agreement, now or hereafter in existence, providing for the grant by, or to, any Grantor of any rights (including, without limitation, the right for a party to be designated as an owner and/or to enforce, defend, make, have made, make improvements, manufacture, use, sell, import, export, and require joinder in suit and/or receive assistance from another party) covered in whole or in part by a Patent.

"<u>Patents</u>" means collectively, all of the following of any Grantor: (i) all patents, all inventions and patent applications anywhere in the world, (ii) all improvements, counterparts, reissues, divisional, re-examinations, extensions, continuations (in whole or in part) and renewals of any of the foregoing and improvements thereon, (iii) all income, royalties, damages or payments now or hereafter due and/or payable under any of the foregoing or with respect to any of the foregoing, including, without limitation, damages or payments for past, present or future infringements, violations or misappropriations of any of the foregoing, (iv) the right to sue for past, present and future infringements, violations or misappropriations of any of the foregoing and (v) all rights corresponding to any of the foregoing throughout the world.

"<u>Pledged Equity</u>" means, with respect to each Grantor, (i) 100% of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of each Domestic Subsidiary of the Borrower that is directly owned by such Grantor and (ii) 65% of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests entitled to vote (within the meaning of Treas. Reg. Section 1.956-2(c)(2)) and 100% of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests not entitled to vote (within the meaning of Treas. Reg. Section 1.956-2(c)(2)) in each Foreign Subsidiary of the Borrower that is a CFC that is directly owned by such Grantor, including the Equity Interests of the Subsidiaries owned by such Grantor as set forth on <u>Schedule 5.21(f)</u> to the Credit Agreement (as updated from time to time in accordance with the Credit Agreement), in each case together with the certificates (or other agreements or instruments), if any, representing such shares, and all options and other rights, contractual or otherwise, with respect thereto, including, but not limited to, the following:

(1) all Equity Interests representing a dividend thereon, or representing a distribution or return of capital upon or in respect thereof, or resulting from a stock split, revision, reclassification or other exchange therefor, and any subscriptions, warrants, rights or options issued to the holder thereof, or otherwise in respect thereof; and

(2) in the event of any consolidation or merger involving any Issuer and in which such Issuer is not the surviving Person, all shares of each class of the Equity Interests of the successor Person formed by or resulting from such consolidation or merger, to the extent that such successor Person is a direct Subsidiary of a Grantor.

"Restricted Securities Collateral" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(j) of this Agreement.

"<u>Trademark License</u>" means any agreement, now or hereafter in existence, providing for the grant by, or to, any Grantor of any rights in (including, without limitation, the right for a party to be designated as an owner and/or to enforce, defend, use, mark, police, and require joinder in suit and/or receive assistance from another party) in a Trademark.

"<u>Trademarks</u>" means, collectively, all of the following of any Grantor: (i) all trademarks, trade names, corporate names, company names, business names, fictitious business names, internet domain names, trade styles, service marks, logos, other business identifiers, whether registered or unregistered, all registrations and recordings thereof, and all applications in connection therewith anywhere in the world, (ii) all counterparts, extensions and renewals of any of the foregoing, (iii) all income, royalties, damages and payments now or hereafter due and/or payable under any of the foregoing or with respect to any of the foregoing, including, without limitation, damages or payments for past, present or future infringements, violations, dilutions or misappropriations of any of the foregoing, (iv) the right to sue for past, present or future infringements, violations, dilutions or misappropriations of any of the foregoing and (v) all rights corresponding to any of the foregoing (including the goodwill) throughout the world.

"<u>Vehicles</u>" means all cars, trucks, trailers, construction and earth moving equipment and other vehicles covered by a certificate of title under the laws of any state, all tires and all other appurtenances to any of the foregoing.

"<u>Vessel</u>" means any watercraft or other artificial contrivance used, or capable of being used, as a means of transportation on water (including, without limitation, those whose primary purpose is the maritime transportation of cargo or which are otherwise engaged, used or useful in any business activities of the Grantors) which are owned by and registered (or to be owned and registered) in the name of any of the Grantors, including, without limitation, any Vessel leased or otherwise registered in the foregoing parties' names, pursuant to a lease or other operating agreement constituting a capital lease obligation, in each case together with all related spares, equipment and any additional improvements, vessel owned, bareboat chartered or operated by a Grantor other than Vessels owned by an entity other than a Grantor and which are managed under Vessel management agreements.

"<u>UCC</u>" means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect from time to time in the state of New York, except as such term may be used in connection with the perfection of the Collateral and then the applicable jurisdiction with respect to such affected Collateral shall apply.

"Work" means any work that is subject to copyright protection pursuant to Title 17 of the United States Code.

2. <u>Grant of Security Interest in the Collateral</u>. To secure the prompt payment and performance in full when due, whether by lapse of time, acceleration, mandatory prepayment or otherwise, of the Secured Obligations, each Grantor hereby grants to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, a continuing security interest in, and a right to set off against, any and all right, title and interest of such Grantor in and to all of the following, whether now owned or existing or owned, acquired, or arising hereafter (collectively, the "<u>Collateral</u>"): (a) all Accounts; (b) all cash, currency, money and Cash Equivalents; (c) all Chattel Paper (including Electronic Chattel Paper and Tangible Chattel Paper); (d) all Commercial Tort Claims (including, without limitation, those set forth on <u>Schedule 5.21(e)</u> to the Credit Agreement (as updated from time to time in accordance with the Credit Agreement)); (e) all Deposit Accounts; (f) all Documents; (g) all Equipment and machinery; (h) all Fixtures; (i) all General Intangibles; (j) all Goods; (k) all Instruments; (l) all Inventory; (m) all Investment Property, Securities and Financial Assets; (n) all Letter-of-Credit Rights; (o) all Payment Intangibles, any and all contract rights or rights to the payment of money, all insurance claims and proceeds, all tort claims, all hedge agreements, all indemnification rights and all tax refunds; (p) all Pledged Equity; (q) all Securities Accounts; (r) all Software; (s) all Supporting Obligations; (t) all Vehicles; (u) all books and records pertaining to the Collateral; (v) all Accessions and all Proceeds and products of any and all of the foregoing; and (w) all other personal, real or fixture property of any kind or type whatsoever now or hereafter owned by such Grantor or as to which such Grantor now or hereafter has the power to transfer an interest therein.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the security interests granted in <u>Section 2</u> of this Agreement shall not extend to, and the term "Collateral" shall not include, any Excluded Property; <u>provided</u>, however, that if and to the extent that any property shall not constitute, or cease to be, Excluded Property, the Lien and security interest granted pursuant to <u>Section 2</u> of this Agreement shall immediately, and without the need for further action of any Grantor or any other Person, attach to such property, which shall thereupon form part of the Collateral.

The Grantors and the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties, hereby acknowledge and agree that the security interest created hereby in the Collateral (a) constitutes continuing collateral security for all of the Secured Obligations, whether now existing or hereafter arising and (b) is not to be construed as an assignment, license or encumbrance of any Intellectual Property.

3. <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. Each Grantor hereby represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, that until the Facility Termination Date, that:

(a) <u>Ownership</u>. Each Grantor is the legal and beneficial owner of its Collateral and has the right to pledge, sell, assign or transfer the same. There exists no Lien (other than the Lien of the Administrative Agent under this Agreement) on or with respect to the Pledged Equity of such Grantor.

(b) <u>Security Interest/Priority</u>. This Agreement creates a valid security interest in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, in the Collateral of such Grantor and, when properly perfected by filing, shall constitute a valid and perfected, first priority security interest in such Collateral (including all uncertificated Pledged Equity consisting of partnership or limited liability company interests that do not constitute Securities), to the extent such security interest can be perfected by filing under the UCC, free and clear of all Liens except for Permitted Liens. No Grantor has authenticated any agreement authorizing any secured party thereunder to file a financing statement, except to perfect consensual Permitted Liens. The taking possession by the Administrative Agent of the certificated securities (if any) evidencing the Pledged Equity and all other Instruments constituting Collateral will perfect and establish the first priority of the Administrative Agent's security interest in all the Pledged Equity evidenced by such certificated securities and such Instruments. With respect to any Collateral consisting of a Deposit Account, Securities Entitlement or held in a Securities Account, upon execution and delivery by the applicable Grantor, the applicable Securities Intermediary or depository bank and the Administrative Agent of a Qualifying Control Agreement, the Administrative Agent shall have a valid and perfected, first priority security interest in such Collateral (subject to Permitted Liens arising as a matter of Law).

(c) <u>Types of Collateral</u>. None of the Collateral consists of, or is the Proceeds of, (i) As-Extracted Collateral, (ii) Consumer Goods, (iii) Farm Products, (iv) Manufactured Homes, (v) standing timber, (vi) an aircraft, airframe, aircraft engine or related property, (vii) an aircraft leasehold interest, (viii) a Vessel or (ix) any other interest in or to any of the foregoing.

(d) <u>Accounts</u>. (i) Each Account of the Grantors and the papers and documents relating thereto are genuine and in all material respects what they purport to be, (ii) each Account arises out of (A) a bona fide sale of goods sold and delivered by such Grantor (or is in the process of being delivered) or (B) services theretofore actually rendered by such Grantor to, the account debtor named therein, (iii) no Account of a Grantor is evidenced by any Instrument or Chattel Paper unless such Instrument or Chattel Paper, to the extent requested by the Administrative Agent in writing, has been endorsed over and delivered to, or submitted to the control of, the Administrative Agent, (iv) no surety bond was required or given in connection with any Account of a Grantor or the contracts or purchase orders out of which they arose, (v) the right to receive payment under each Account is assignable and (vi) no Account Debtor has any defense, set-off, claim or counterclaim against any Grantor that can be asserted against the Administrative Agent, whether in any proceeding to enforce the Administrative Agent's rights in the Collateral or otherwise, except defenses, setoffs, claims or counterclaims that are not, in the aggregate, material to the value of the Accounts taken as a whole.

(e) Equipment and Inventory. With respect to any Equipment and/or Inventory of a Grantor, each such Grantor has exclusive possession and control of such Equipment and Inventory of such Grantor except for (i) Equipment leased by such Grantor as a lessee, (ii) Equipment or Inventory in transit with common carriers or (iii) Equipment and/or Inventory in the possession or control of a warehouseman, bailee or any agent or processor of such Grantor to the extent such Grantor has complied with <u>Section 4(e)</u>. No Inventory of a Grantor is held by a Person other than a Grantor pursuant to consignment, sale or return, sale on approval or similar arrangement. Collateral consisting of Inventory is of good and merchantable quality, free from material defects. None of such Inventory is subject to any licensing, Patent, Trademark, trade name or Copyright with any Person that restricts any Grantor's ability to use, manufacture, lease, sell or otherwise dispose of such Inventory. The completion of the manufacturing process of such Inventory by a Person other than the applicable Grantor would be permitted under any contract to which such Grantor is a party or to which the Inventory is subject.

(f) <u>Authorization of Pledged Equity</u>. All Pledged Equity (i) is duly authorized and validly issued, (ii) is fully paid and, to the extent applicable, nonassessable and is not subject to the preemptive rights of any Person, (iii) is beneficially owned as of record by a Grantor and (iv) constitutes all the issued and outstanding shares of all classes of the equity of such Issuer issued to such Grantor.

(g) <u>No Other Equity Interests</u>, <u>Instruments</u>, <u>Etc</u>. As of the Closing Date, (i) no Grantor owns any certificated Equity Interests in any Subsidiary that are required to be pledged and delivered to the Administrative Agent hereunder except as set forth on <u>Schedule 5.21(f)</u> to the Credit Agreement (as updated from time to time in accordance with the Credit Agreement), and (ii) no Grantor holds any Instruments, Documents or Tangible Chattel Paper required to be pledged and delivered to the Administrative Agent pursuant to <u>Section 4(c)(i)</u> of this Agreement other than as set forth on <u>Schedule 5.21(c)</u> to the Credit Agreement (as updated from time to time in accordance with the Credit Agreement). All such certificated securities, Instruments, Documents and Tangible Chattel Paper have been delivered to the Administrative Agent to the extent required by the terms of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

(h) <u>Partnership and Limited Liability Company Interests</u>. Except as previously disclosed in writing to the Administrative Agent, none of the Collateral consisting of an interest in a partnership or a limited liability company (i) is dealt in or traded on a securities exchange or in a securities market, (ii) by its terms expressly provides that it is a Security governed by Article 8 of the UCC, (iii) is an Investment Company Security, (iv) is held in a Securities Account or (v) constitutes a Security or a Financial Asset.

(i) Reserved.

(j) <u>Consents; Etc.</u> No approval, consent, exemption, authorization or other action by, notice to, or filing with, any Governmental Authority or any other Person (including, without limitation, any stockholder, member or creditor of such Grantor), is necessary or required for (i) the grant by such Grantor of the security interest in the Collateral granted hereby or for the execution, delivery or performance of this Agreement by such Grantor, (ii) the perfection of such security interest (to the extent such security interest can be perfected by filing under the UCC or the granting of control (to the extent required under <u>Section 4(c)</u> hereof) or (iii) the exercise by the Administrative Agent or the Secured Parties of the rights and remedies provided for in this Agreement (including, without limitation, as against any Issuer), except for (A) the filing or recording of UCC financing statements or other filings under the Assignment of Claims Act, (B) obtaining control to perfect the Liens created by this Agreement (to the extent required under <u>Section 4(c)</u> hereof), (C) such actions as may be required by Laws affecting the offering and sale of securities, (D) such actions as may be required by applicable foreign Laws affecting the pledge of the Pledged Equity of Foreign Subsidiaries, (E) consents, authorizations, filings or other actions which have been obtained or made, and (F) as may be required with respect to Vehicles registered under a certificate of title.

(k) <u>Commercial Tort Claims</u>. As of the Closing Date, no Grantor has (either individually or in the aggregate for all such Commercial Tort Claims) any Commercial Tort Claims seeking damages in excess of \$250,000 other than as set forth on <u>Schedule 5.21(e)</u> to the Credit Agreement (as updated from time to time in accordance with the Credit Agreement).

4. Covenants. Each Grantor covenants that until the Facility Termination Date, that such Grantor shall:

(a) Maintenance of Perfected Security Interest; Further Information.

(i) Maintain the security interest created by this Agreement as a first priority perfected security interest (subject only to Permitted Liens) and shall defend such security interest against the claims and demands of all Persons whomsoever (other than the holders of Permitted Liens).

(ii) From time to time furnish to the Administrative Agent upon the Administrative Agent's reasonable written request, statements and schedules further identifying and describing the assets and property of such Grantor and such other reports in connection therewith as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request, all in reasonable detail.

(b) <u>Required Notifications</u>. Each Grantor shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent, in writing, of: (i) any Lien (other than Permitted Liens) on any of the Collateral which would adversely affect the ability of the Administrative Agent to exercise any of its remedies hereunder and (ii) the occurrence of any other event which could reasonably be expected to have a material impairment on the aggregate value of the Collateral or on the security interests created hereby.

(c) Perfection through Possession and Control.

(i) If (A) any amount in excess of \$250,000 payable under or in connection with any of the Collateral shall be or become evidenced by any Instrument or Tangible Chattel Paper or Supporting Obligation, or (B) if any property constituting Collateral shall be stored or shipped subject to a Document, in each case, ensure that such Instrument, Tangible Chattel Paper, Supporting Obligation or Document, is either in the possession of such Grantor at all times or, if requested by the Administrative Agent in writing to perfect its security interest in such Collateral, is delivered to the Administrative Agent duly endorsed in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent. Such Grantor shall ensure that any Collateral consisting of Tangible Chattel Paper is marked with a legend reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent indicating the Administrative Agent's security interest in such Tangible Chattel Paper. To the extent the value of all Instruments, Documents, Supporting Obligation and Tangible Chattel Paper not in the possession of the Administrative Agent so that the value of all Instruments, Documents, Supporting Obligations and Tangible Chattel Paper not in the possession of the Administrative Agent so that the value of all Instruments, Documents, Supporting Obligations and Tangible Chattel Paper not in the possession of the Administrative Agent does not exceed \$250,000.

(ii) Deliver to the Administrative Agent promptly upon the receipt thereof by or on behalf of a Grantor, including, without limitation, in connection with any Permitted Acquisition, all certificates and instruments constituting Certificated Securities or Pledged Equity. Prior to delivery to the Administrative Agent, all such certificates constituting Pledged Equity shall be held in trust by such Grantor for the benefit of the Administrative Agent pursuant hereto. All such certificates representing Pledged Equity shall be delivered in suitable form for transfer by delivery or shall be accompanied by duly executed instruments of transfer or assignment in blank, substantially in the form provided in Exhibit A hereto or other form reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent.

(iii) If any Collateral shall consist of (A) Deposit Accounts, Securities Accounts or uncertificated Investment Property or (B) Electronic Chattel Paper and Letter-of-Credit Rights (in the case of this clause (B), with a value in excess of \$250,000), execute and deliver (and, with respect to any Collateral consisting of a Securities Account or uncertificated Investment Property, cause the Securities Intermediary or the Issuer, as applicable, with respect to such Investment Property to execute and deliver) to the Administrative Agent all control agreements, assignments, instruments or other documents as reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent for the purposes of obtaining and maintaining Control of such Collateral, subject to any express limitations set forth in Section 6.14 of the Credit Agreement. If any Collateral shall consist of Deposit Accounts or Securities Accounts, comply with Section 6.14 of the Credit Agreement.

(d) Filing of Financing Statements, Notices, etc. Each Grantor shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent and/or file such agreements, assignments or instruments (including affidavits, notices, reaffirmations and amendments and restatements of existing documents, as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request) and do all such other things as the Administrative Agent may reasonably deem necessary or appropriate (i) to assure to the Administrative Agent its security interests hereunder, including such instruments as the Administrative Agent may from time to time reasonably request in order to perfect and maintain the security interests granted hereunder in accordance with the UCC, including, without limitation, financing statements (including continuation statements), (ii) to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and (iii) to otherwise protect and assure the Administrative Agent of its rights and interests hereunder. Furthermore, each Grantor also hereby irrevocably makes, constitutes and appoints the Administrative Agent, its nominee or any other person whom the Administrative Agent may designate, as such Grantor any financing statements, or amendments and supplements to financing statements, renewal financing statements, notices or any similar documents which in the Administrative Agent's reasonable discretion would be necessary or appropriate in order to perfect and maintain perfection of the security interests granted hereunder, such power, being coupled with an interest, being and remaining irrevocable until the Facility Termination Date. Each Grantor hereby agrees that a carbon, photographic or other reproduction of this Agreement or any such financing statement is sufficient for filing as a financing statement by the Administrative Agent without notice thereof to such Grantor wherever the Administrative Agent may in its reasonable discretion desire to file the same.

(e) Collateral Held by Warehouseman, Bailee, etc.

(i) During the existence of any Event of Default and the continuation thereof, and at the written request of the Administrative Agent, if any Collateral is at any time in the possession or control of a warehouseman, bailee or any agent or processor of such Grantor (A) notify the Administrative Agent of such possession, (B) notify such Person in writing of the Administrative Agent's security interest for the benefit of the Secured Parties in such Collateral, (C) instruct such Person to hold all such Collateral for the Administrative Agent's account and subject to the Administrative Agent's instructions and (D) unless otherwise consented to in writing by the Administrative Agent, use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain (1) a written acknowledgment from such Person that it is holding such Collateral for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and (2) such other documentation required by the Administrative Agent (including, without limitation, subordination and access agreements); and

(ii) At the request of the Administrative Agent, perfect and protect such Grantor's ownership interests in all Inventory stored with a consignee against creditors of the consignee by filing and maintaining financing statements against the consignee reflecting the consignment arrangement filed in all appropriate filing offices, providing any written notices required by the UCC to notify any prior creditors of the consignee of the consignment arrangement, and taking such other actions as may be appropriate to perfect and protect such Grantor's interests in such inventory under Section 2-326, Section 9-103, Section 9-324 and Section 9-505 of the UCC or otherwise, which such financing statements filed pursuant to this Section shall be assigned to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(f) <u>Treatment of Accounts</u>. Not grant or extend the time for payment of any Account, or compromise or settle any Account for less than the full amount thereof, or release any person or property, in whole or in part, from payment thereof, or amend, supplement or modify any Account in any manner that could reasonably be likely to adversely affect the value thereof, or allow any credit or discount thereon, other than as normal and customary in the ordinary course of a Grantor's business or as otherwise permitted under the Credit Agreement. Each Grantor will deliver to the Administrative Agent a copy of each demand, notice or document received by it that reasonably questions or calls into doubt the validity or enforceability of any material Account.

(g) <u>Commercial Tort Claims</u>. Execute and deliver such statements, documents and notices and do and cause to be done all such things as may be required by the Administrative Agent, or required by Law to create, preserve, perfect and maintain the Administrative Agent's security interest in any Commercial Tort Claims initiated by or in favor of any Grantor, which might, individually or in the aggregate for all such Commercial Tort Claims, reasonably result in awarded damages in excess of \$250,000.

(h) Inventory. With respect to the Inventory of each Grantor:

(i) At all times maintain inventory records in accordance with GAAP and otherwise customary for similarly situated companies in the same line of business.

(ii) Produce, use, store and maintain the Inventory with all reasonable care and caution and in accordance with applicable standards of any insurance and in conformity with applicable Laws (including the requirements of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended and all rules, regulations and orders related thereto).

(i) <u>Books and Records</u>. Mark its books and records (and shall cause the Issuer of the Pledged Equity of such Grantor to mark its books and records) to reflect the security interest granted pursuant to this Agreement.

(j) <u>Nature of Collateral</u>. At all times maintain the Collateral as personal property and not affix any of the Collateral with an aggregate value for all such Collateral in excess of \$250,000 to any real property in a manner which would change its nature from personal property to real property or a Fixture to real property, unless the Administrative Agent shall have a perfected Lien on such Fixture or real property.

(k) Issuance or Acquisition of Equity Interests in Partnerships or Limited Liability Companies.

(i) Not without executing and delivering, or causing to be executed and delivered, to the Administrative Agent such agreements, documents and instruments as the Administrative Agent may reasonably require, issue or acquire any Pledged Equity consisting of an interest in a partnership or a limited liability company that (A) is dealt in or traded on a securities exchange or in a securities market, (B) by its terms expressly provides that it is a Security governed by Article 8 of the UCC, (C) is an Investment Company Security, (D) is held in a Securities Account or (E) constitutes a Security or a Financial Asset.

(ii) Without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, no Grantor will (A) vote to enable, or take any other action to permit, any applicable Issuer to issue any Investment Property or Equity Interests constituting partnership or limited liability company interests, except for those additional Investment Property or Equity Interests constituting partnership or limited liability company interests that will be subject to the security interest granted herein in favor of the Secured Parties, or (B) enter into any agreement or undertaking, except in connection with a Disposition permitted under Section 7.05 of the Credit Agreement, restricting the right or ability of such Grantor or the Administrative Agent to sell, assign or transfer any Investment Property or Pledged Equity or Proceeds thereof. The Grantors will defend the right, title and interest of the Administrative Agent in and to any Investment Property and Pledged Equity against the claims and demands of all Persons whomsoever.

(iii) If any Grantor shall become entitled to receive or shall receive, including, without limitation, in connection with any Permitted Acquisition, (A) any Certificated Securities (including, without limitation, any certificate representing a stock dividend or a distribution in connection with any reclassification, increase or reduction of capital or any certificate issued in connection with any reorganization), option or rights in respect of the ownership interests of any Issuer, whether in addition to, in substitution of, as a conversion of, or in exchange for, any Investment Property, or otherwise in respect thereof, or (B) any sums paid upon or in respect of any Investment Property upon the liquidation or dissolution of any Issuer, such Grantor shall accept the same as the agent of the Secured Parties, hold the same in trust for the Secured Parties, and promptly deliver the same to the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties, in accordance with the terms hereof.

(l) Reserved.

(m) <u>Equipment</u>. Maintain each item of Equipment in good working order and condition (reasonable wear and tear and obsolescence excepted).

(n) <u>Government Contracts</u>. Promptly notify the Administrative Agent, in writing, if it enters into any contract involving aggregate payments in excess of \$250,000 with a Governmental Authority under which such Governmental Authority, as account debtor, owes a monetary obligation to any Grantor under any Account.

(o) <u>Vehicles</u>. Upon the written request of the Administrative Agent upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, file or cause to be filed in each office in each jurisdiction which the Administrative Agent shall deem reasonably advisable to perfect its Liens on the Vehicles, all applications for certificates of title or ownership (and any other necessary documentation) indicating the Administrative Agent's first priority Lien on the Vehicle (subject to any Permitted Liens) covered by such certificate.

(p) Reserved.

(q) <u>Change of Name; State of Organization</u>. No Grantor shall, without providing 30 days prior written notice to the Administrative Agent (or such other period of time as agreed to by the Administrative Agent), change its name, state of formation or organization, form of organization or principal place of business.

(r) Further Assurances.

(i) Promptly upon the written request of the Administrative Agent and at the sole expense of the Grantors, duly execute and deliver, and have recorded, such further instruments and documents and take such further actions as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request for the purpose of obtaining or preserving the full benefits of this Agreement and of the rights and powers herein granted, including, without limitation, (A) with respect to Government Contracts involving aggregate payments in excess of \$250,000, assignment agreements and notices of assignment, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, duly executed by any Grantors party to such Government Contract in compliance with the Assignment of Claims Act (or analogous state applicable Law), and (B) all applications, certificates, instruments, registration statements, and all other documents and papers the Administrative Agent may reasonably request and as may be required by law in connection with the obtaining of any consent, approval, registration, qualification, or authorization of any Person deemed necessary or appropriate for the effective exercise of any rights under this Agreement.

(ii) From time to time upon the Administrative Agent's reasonable written request, promptly furnish such updates to the information disclosed pursuant to this Agreement and the Credit Agreement, including any Schedules hereto or thereto, such that such updated information is true and correct in all material respects as of the date so furnished.

(s) <u>Credit Agreement</u>. The obligation of any Grantor to take any act specified in <u>Section 4</u> of this Agreement is subject to the last paragraph of Section 6.14 of the Credit Agreement.

5. <u>Authorization to File Financing Statements</u>. Each Grantor hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to prepare and file such financing statements (including continuation statements) or amendments thereof or supplements thereto or other instruments as the Administrative Agent may from time to time deem reasonably necessary or appropriate in order to perfect and maintain the security interests granted hereunder in accordance with the UCC, which such financing statements may describe the Collateral in the same manner as described herein or may contain an indication or description of Collateral that describes such property in any other manner as the Administrative Agent may determine, in its sole discretion, is necessary, advisable or prudent to ensure the perfection of the security interest in the Collateral granted herein, including, without limitation, describing such property as "all assets, whether now owned or hereafter acquired" or "all personal property, whether now owned or hereafter acquired."

6. <u>Advances</u>. On failure of any Grantor to perform any of the covenants and agreements contained herein or in any other Loan Document, the Administrative Agent may, at its sole option and in its sole discretion, perform the same and in so doing may expend such sums as the Administrative Agent may reasonably deem advisable in the performance thereof, including, without limitation, the payment of any insurance premiums, the payment of any taxes, a payment to obtain a release of a Lien or potential Lien, expenditures made in defending against any adverse claim and all other expenditures which the Administrative Agent may make for the protection of the security hereof or which may be compelled to make by operation of Law. All such sums and amounts so expended shall be repayable by the Grantors on a joint and several basis promptly upon timely notice thereof and written demand therefor, shall constitute additional Secured Obligations and shall, to the extent set forth in the Credit Agreement, bear interest from the date said amounts are expended at the Default Rate. No such performance of any covenant or agreement by the Administrative Agent may make any payment hereby authorized in accordance with any bill, statement or estimate procured from the appropriate public office or holder of the claim to be discharged without inquiry into the accuracy of such bill, statement or estimate or into the validity of any tax assessment, sale, forfeiture, tax lien, title or claim except to the extent such payment is being contested in good faith by a Grantor in appropriate proceedings and against which adequate reserves are being maintained in accordance with GAAP.

7. Remedies.

(a) <u>General Remedies</u>. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default and during continuation thereof, the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Secured Parties shall have, in addition to the rights and remedies provided herein, in the Loan Documents, in any other documents relating to the Secured Obligations, or by any applicable Law (including, but not limited to, levy of attachment, garnishment and the rights and remedies set forth in the UCC of the jurisdiction applicable to the affected Collateral), the rights and remedies of a secured party under the UCC (regardless of whether the UCC is the law of the jurisdiction where the rights and remedies are asserted and regardless of whether the UCC applies to the affected Collateral), and further, the Administrative Agent may, with or without judicial process or the aid and assistance of others, (i) enter on any premises on which any of the Collateral may be located and, without resistance or interference by the Grantors, take possession of the

Collateral, (ii) dispose of any Collateral on any such premises, (iii) require the Grantors to assemble and make available to the Administrative Agent at the expense of the Grantors any Collateral at any place and time designated by the Administrative Agent which is reasonably convenient to both parties, (iv) remove any Collateral from any such premises for the purpose of effecting sale or other disposition thereof, or (v) without demand and without advertisement, notice, hearing or process of law, all of which each of the Grantors hereby waives to the fullest extent permitted by Law, at any place and time or times, sell, lease, assign, give option or options to purchase, or otherwise dispose of and deliver the Collateral or any part thereof (or contract to do any of the foregoing), in one or more parcels any or all Collateral held by or for it at public or private sale (which in the case of a private sale of Pledged Equity, shall be to a restricted group of purchasers who will be obligated to agree, among other things, to acquire such securities for their own account, for investment and not with a view to the distribution or resale thereof), at any exchange or broker's board or elsewhere, by one or more contracts, in one or more parcels, for money, upon credit or otherwise, at such prices and upon such terms as the Administrative Agent deems advisable, in its sole discretion (subject to any and all mandatory legal requirements). Each Grantor acknowledges that any such private sale may be at prices and on terms less favorable to the seller than the prices and other terms which might have been obtained at a public sale and, notwithstanding the foregoing, agrees that such private sale shall be deemed to have been made in a commercially reasonable manner and, in the case of a sale of Pledged Equity, that the Administrative Agent shall have no obligation to delay sale of any such securities for the period of time necessary to permit the Issuer of such securities to register such securities for public sale under the Securities Act of 1933. The Administrative Agent or any other Secured Party shall have the right upon any such public sale or sales, and, to the extent permitted by applicable Law, upon any such private sale or sales, to purchase the whole or any part of the Collateral so sold. Neither the Administrative Agent's compliance with applicable Law nor its disclaimer of warranties relating to the Collateral shall be considered to adversely affect the commercial reasonableness of any sale. To the extent the rights of notice cannot be legally waived hereunder, each Grantor agrees that any requirement of reasonable notice shall be met if such notice, specifying the place of any public sale or the time after which any private sale is to be made, is personally served on or mailed, postage prepaid, to the Borrower in accordance with the notice provisions of Section 11.02 of the Credit Agreement at least 10 days before the time of sale or other event giving rise to the requirement of such notice. Each Grantor further acknowledges and agrees that any offer to sell any Pledged Equity which has been (A) publicly advertised on a bona fide basis in a newspaper or other publication of general circulation in the financial community of New York, New York (to the extent that such offer may be advertised without prior registration under the Securities Act of 1933), or (B) made privately in the manner described above shall be deemed to involve a "public sale" under the UCC, notwithstanding that such sale may not constitute a "public offering" under the Securities Act of 1933, and the Administrative Agent may, in such event, bid for the purchase of such securities. The Administrative Agent shall not be obligated to make any sale or other disposition of the Collateral regardless of notice having been given. To the extent permitted by applicable Law, any Secured Party may be a purchaser at any such sale. To the extent permitted by applicable Law, each of the Grantors hereby waives all of its rights of redemption with respect to any such sale. Subject to the provisions of applicable Law, the Administrative Agent may

postpone or cause the postponement of the sale of all or any portion of the Collateral by announcement at the time and place of such sale, and such sale may, without further notice, to the extent permitted by Law, be made at the time and place to which the sale was postponed, or the Administrative Agent may further postpone such sale by announcement made at such time and place. To the extent permitted by applicable Law, each Grantor waives all claims, damages and demands it may acquire against the Administrative Agent or any Secured Party arising out of the exercise by them of any rights hereunder except to the extent any such claims, damages or demands result solely from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Administrative Agent or any other Secured Party as determined by a final non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, in each case against whom such claim is asserted. Each Grantor agrees that the internet shall constitute a "place" for purposes of Section 9-610(b) of the UCC and that any sale of Collateral to a licensor pursuant to the terms of a license agreement between such licensor and a Grantor is sufficient to constitute a commercially reasonable sale (including as to method, terms, manner, and time) within the meaning of Section 9-610 of the UCC.

(b) Remedies Relating to Accounts.

(i) During the continuation of an Event of Default, whether or not the Administrative Agent has exercised any or all of its rights and remedies hereunder, (A) each Grantor shall, promptly upon written request by the Administrative Agent, notify (such notice to be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent) its Account Debtors and parties to the Contractual Obligations subject to a security interest hereunder that such Accounts and the Contractual Obligations have been assigned to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties and promptly upon written request of the Administrative Agent, instruct all account debtors to remit all payments in respect of Accounts to a mailing location selected by the Administrative Agent and (B) the Administrative Agent shall have the right to enforce any Grantor's rights against its customers and account debtors, and the Administrative Agent or its designee may notify any Grantor's customers and account debtors that the Accounts of such Grantor have been assigned to the Administrative Agent or of the Administrative Agent's security interest therein, and may (either in its own name or in the name of a Grantor or both) demand, collect (including without limitation by way of a lockbox arrangement), receive, take receipt for, sell, sue for, compound, settle, compromise and give acquittance for any and all amounts due or to become due on any Account, and, in the Administrative Agent's discretion, file any claim or take any other action or proceeding to protect and realize upon the security interest of the Secured Parties in the Accounts.

(ii) Each Grantor acknowledges and agrees that the Proceeds of its Accounts remitted to or on behalf of the Administrative Agent in accordance with the provisions hereof shall be solely for the Administrative Agent's own convenience and that such Grantor shall not have any right, title or interest in such Accounts or in any such other amounts except as expressly provided herein. Neither the Administrative Agent nor the Secured Parties shall have any liability or responsibility to any Grantor for acceptance of a check, draft or other order for payment of money bearing the legend "payment in full" or words of similar import or any other restrictive legend or endorsement or be responsible for determining the correctness of any remittance.

(iii) During the continuation of an Event of Default, (A) the Administrative Agent shall have the right, but not the obligation, to make test verifications of the Accounts in any manner and through any medium that it reasonably considers advisable, and the Grantors shall furnish all such assistance and information as the Administrative Agent may require in connection with such test verifications, (B) upon the Administrative Agent's reasonable written request and at the expense of the Grantors, the Grantors shall cause independent public accountants or others reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent to furnish to the Administrative Agent reports showing reconciliations, aging and test verifications of, and trial balances for, the Accounts and (C) the Administrative Agent in its own name or in the name of others may communicate with account debtors on the Accounts to verify with them to the Administrative Agent's satisfaction the existence, amount and terms of any Accounts.

(iv) During the continuation of an Event of Default, upon the written request of the Administrative Agent, each Grantor shall forward to the Administrative Agent, on the last Business Day of each week, deposit slips related to all cash, money, checks or any other similar items of payment received by the Grantor during such week, and, if requested by the Administrative Agent in writing, copies of such checks or any other similar items of payment, together with a statement showing the application of all payments on the Collateral during such week and a collection report with regard thereto, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

(c) <u>Deposit Accounts/Securities Accounts</u>. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default and during continuation thereof, the Administrative Agent may prevent withdrawals or other dispositions of funds in Deposit Accounts and Securities Accounts that are subject to Qualifying Control Agreements or held with any Secured Party.

(d) Investment Property/Pledged Equity. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default and during the continuation thereof: the Administrative Agent shall have the right to receive any and all cash dividends or other payments or distributions made in respect of any Investment Property or Pledged Equity or other Proceeds paid in respect of any Investment Property or Pledged Equity, and any or all of any Investment Property or Pledged Equity may, at the option of the Administrative Agent, be registered in the name of the Administrative Agent or its nominee, and the Administrative Agent or its nominee may thereafter exercise (i) all voting, corporate and other rights pertaining to such Investment Property, or any such Pledged Equity at any meeting of shareholders, partners or members of the relevant Issuers or otherwise and (ii) any and all rights of conversion, exchange and subscription and any other rights, privileges or options pertaining to such Investment Property or Pledged Equity as if it were the absolute owner thereof (including, without limitation, the right to exchange at its discretion any and all of the Investment Property or Pledged Equity upon the merger, consolidation, reorganization, recapitalization or other fundamental change in the corporate, partnership or limited liability company structure of any Issuer or upon the exercise by any Grantor or the Administrative Agent of any right, privilege or option pertaining to such Investment Property or Pledged Equity, and in connection therewith, the right to deposit and deliver any and all of the Investment Property or Pledged Equity with any committee, depositary, transfer agent, registrar or other designated agency upon such terms and conditions as the Administrative Agent may determine), all without liability except to account for property actually received by it; but the Administrative Agent shall have no duty to any Grantor to exercise any such right, privilege or option and the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties shall not be responsible for any failure to do so or delay in so doing. In furtherance thereof, each Grantor hereby authorizes and instructs each Issuer with respect to any Collateral consisting of Investment Property and/or Pledged Equity to (A) comply with any instruction received by it from the Administrative Agent in writing that (1) states that an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and (2) is otherwise in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, without any other or further instructions from such Grantor, and each Grantor agrees that each Issuer shall be fully protected in so complying following receipt of such notice and prior to notice that such Event of Default is no longer continuing, and (B) except as otherwise expressly permitted hereby, pay any dividends, distributions or other payments with respect to any Investment Property or Pledged Equity directly to the Administrative Agent. Unless an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing and the Administrative Agent shall have given notice to the relevant Grantor of the Administrative Agent's intent to exercise its corresponding rights pursuant to this Section 7, each Grantor shall be permitted to receive all cash dividends or other payments or other distributions made in respect of any Investment Property and any Pledged Equity, in each case paid in the normal course of business of the relevant Issuer and consistent with past practice, to the extent permitted in the Credit Agreement, and to exercise all voting and other corporate, company and partnership rights with respect to any Investment Property and Pledged Equity to the extent not inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

(e) <u>Material Contracts</u>. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default and during the continuation thereof, the Administrative Agent shall be entitled to (but shall not be required to): (i) proceed to perform any and all obligations of the applicable Grantor under any Material Contract and exercise all rights of such Grantor thereunder as fully as such Grantor itself could and (ii) do all other acts which the Administrative Agent may deem necessary or proper to protect its security interest granted hereunder, provided such acts are not inconsistent with or in violation of the terms of any of the Credit Agreement, of the other Loan Documents or applicable Law.

(f) <u>Access</u>. In addition to the rights and remedies hereunder, upon the occurrence of an Event of Default and during the continuance thereof and subject to the terms of the underlying leases applicable thereto (except to the extent any restrictions set forth therein are invalidated or otherwise superseded by applicable Law) and any consent or waiver delivered in accordance with Section 6.14(c) of the Credit Agreement or otherwise in accordance with applicable Law, the Administrative Agent shall have the right to enter and remain upon the various premises of the Grantors without cost or charge to the Administrative Agent, and use the same, together with materials, supplies, books and records of the Grantors for the purpose of collecting and liquidating the Collateral, or for preparing for sale and conducting the sale of the Collateral, whether by foreclosure, auction or otherwise. In addition, the Administrative Agent may remove Collateral, or any part thereof, from such premises and/or any records with respect thereto, in order to effectively collect or liquidate such Collateral. If the Administrative Agent exercises its right to take possession of the Collateral, each Grantor shall also at its expense perform any and all other steps reasonably requested in writing by the Administrative Agent to preserve and protect the security interest hereby granted in the Collateral, such as placing and maintaining signs indicating the security interest of the Administrative Agent, appointing overseers for the Collateral and maintaining inventory records.

(g) <u>Nonexclusive Nature of Remedies</u>. Failure by the Administrative Agent or the Secured Parties to exercise any right, remedy or option under this Agreement, any other Loan Document, any other document relating to the Secured Obligations, or as provided by Law, or any delay by the Administrative Agent or the Secured Parties in exercising the same, shall not operate as a waiver of any such right, remedy or option. No waiver hereunder shall be effective unless it is in writing, signed by the party against whom such waiver is sought to be enforced and then only to the extent specifically stated, which in the case of the Administrative Agent or the Secured Parties shall only be granted as provided herein. To the extent permitted by Law, neither the Administrative Agent, the Secured Parties, nor any party acting as attorney for the Administrative Agent or the Secured Parties, shall be liable hereunder for any acts or omissions or for any error of judgment or mistake of fact or law other than their gross negligence or willful misconduct hereunder as determined by a final non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction. The rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent and the Secured Parties under this Agreement shall be cumulative and not exclusive of any other right or remedy which the Administrative Agent or the Secured Parties may have.

(h) <u>Retention of Collateral</u>. In addition to the rights and remedies hereunder, the Administrative Agent may, in compliance with Sections 9-620 and 9-621 of the UCC or otherwise complying with the requirements of applicable Law of the relevant jurisdiction, accept or retain the Collateral in satisfaction of the Secured Obligations. Unless and until the Administrative Agent shall have provided such notices, however, the Administrative Agent shall not be deemed to have retained any Collateral in satisfaction of any Secured Obligations for any reason.

(i) <u>Waiver; Deficiency</u>. Each Grantor hereby waives, to the extent permitted by applicable Laws, all rights of redemption, appraisement, valuation, stay, extension or moratorium now or hereafter in force under any applicable Laws in order to prevent or delay the enforcement of this Agreement or the absolute sale of the Collateral or any portion thereof. In the event that the proceeds of any sale, collection or realization are insufficient to pay all amounts to which the Administrative Agent or the Secured Parties are legally entitled, the Grantors shall be jointly and severally liable for the deficiency, together with interest thereon at the Default Rate, together with the costs of collection and, subject to the terms of the Loan Documents, the fees, charges and disbursements of counsel. Any surplus remaining after the full payment and satisfaction of the Secured Obligations shall be returned to the Grantors or to whomsoever a court of competent jurisdiction shall determine to be entitled thereto.

(j) Registration Rights. After the acceleration of the Obligations upon the occurrence and continuation of an Event of Default:

(i) If the Administrative Agent shall determine that in order to exercise its right to sell any or all of the Collateral it is necessary or advisable to have such Collateral registered under the provisions of the Securities Act (any such Collateral, the "<u>Restricted Securities</u> <u>Collateral</u>"), the relevant Grantor will cause each applicable Issuer (and the officers and directors thereof) that is a Grantor or a Subsidiary of a Grantor (other than Anika Therapeutics S.r.l.) to (A) execute and deliver all such instruments and documents, and do or cause to be done all such other acts as may be, in the opinion of the Administrative Agent, necessary or advisable to register such Restricted Securities Collateral, or that portion thereof to be sold, under the provisions of the Securities Act, (B) use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause the registration statement relating thereto to become effective and to remain effective for a period of one year from the date of the first public offering of such Restricted Securities Collateral, or that portion thereof to be sold, and (C) make all amendments thereto and/or to the related prospectus which, in the opinion of the Administrative Agent, are necessary or advisable, all in conformity with the requirements of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission applicable thereto. Each Grantor agrees to cause each applicable Issuer (and the officers and directors thereof) to comply with the provisions of the securities or "Blue Sky" laws of any and all jurisdictions which the Administrative Agent shall designate and to make available to its security holders, as soon as practicable, an earnings statement (which need not be audited) which will satisfy the provisions of the Securities Act.

(ii) Each Grantor agrees to use its commercially reasonable efforts to do or cause to be done all such other acts as may be necessary to make such sale or sales of all or any portion of the Restricted Securities Collateral valid and binding and in compliance with any and all other applicable Laws. Each Grantor further agrees that a breach of any of the covenants contained in this <u>Section 7</u> will cause irreparable injury to the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, that the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties have no adequate remedy at law in respect of such breach and, as a consequence, that each and every covenant contained in this <u>Section 7</u> shall be specifically enforceable against such Grantor, and such Grantor hereby waives and agrees not to assert any defenses against an action for specific performance of such covenants except for a defense that no Event of Default has occurred under the Credit Agreement.

8. Rights of the Administrative Agent.

(a) <u>Power of Attorney</u>. In addition to other powers of attorney contained herein, each Grantor hereby designates and appoints the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties, and each of its designees or agents, as attorney-in-fact of such Grantor, irrevocably and with power of substitution, with authority to take any or all of the following actions upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default:

(i) to demand, collect, settle, compromise, adjust, give discharges and releases, all as the Administrative Agent may reasonably determine;

(ii) to commence and prosecute any actions at any court for the purposes of collecting any Collateral and enforcing any other right in respect thereof;

(iii) to defend, settle or compromise any action brought and, in connection therewith, give such discharge or release as the Administrative Agent may deem reasonably appropriate;

(iv) to receive, open and dispose of mail addressed to a Grantor and endorse checks, notes, drafts, acceptances, money orders, bills of lading, warehouse receipts or other instruments or documents evidencing payment, shipment or storage of the goods giving rise to the Collateral of such Grantor on behalf of and in the name of such Grantor, or securing, or relating to such Collateral;

(v) to sell, assign, transfer, make any agreement in respect of, or otherwise deal with or exercise rights in respect of, any Collateral or the goods or services which have given rise thereto, as fully and completely as though the Administrative Agent were the absolute owner thereof for all purposes;

(vi) to adjust and settle claims under any insurance policy relating thereto;

(vii) to execute and deliver all assignments, conveyances, statements, financing statements, continuation financing statements, security agreements, affidavits, notices and other agreements, instruments and documents that the Administrative Agent may determine necessary in order to perfect and maintain the security interests and liens granted in this Agreement and in order to fully consummate all of the transactions contemplated herein;

(viii) to institute any foreclosure proceedings in respect of the Collateral that the Administrative Agent may deem appropriate;

(ix) to sign and endorse any drafts, assignments, proxies, stock powers, verifications, notices and other documents relating to the Collateral;

(x) to exchange any of the Pledged Equity or other property upon any merger, consolidation, reorganization, recapitalization or other readjustment of the Issuer thereof and, in connection therewith, deposit any of the Pledged Equity with any committee, depository, transfer agent, registrar or other designated agency upon such terms as the Administrative Agent may reasonably deem appropriate;

(xi) to vote for a shareholder resolution, or to sign an instrument in writing, sanctioning the transfer of any or all of the Pledged Equity into the name of the Administrative Agent or one or more of the Secured Parties or into the name of any transferee to whom the Pledged Equity or any part thereof may be sold pursuant to <u>Section 7</u> hereof;

(xii) to pay or discharge taxes, liens, security interests or other encumbrances levied or placed on or threatened against the Collateral;

(xiii) to direct any parties liable for any payment in connection with any of the Collateral to make payment of any and all monies due and to become due thereunder directly to the Administrative Agent or as the Administrative Agent shall direct;

(xiv) to receive payment of and receipt for any and all monies, claims, and other amounts due and to become due at any time in respect of or arising out of any Collateral; and

(xv) do and perform all such other acts and things as the Administrative Agent may reasonably deem to be necessary, proper or convenient in connection with the Collateral.

This power of attorney is a power coupled with an interest and shall be irrevocable until the Facility Termination Date. The Administrative Agent shall be under no duty to exercise or withhold the exercise of any of the rights, powers, privileges and options expressly or implicitly granted to the Administrative Agent in this Agreement, and shall not be liable for any failure to do so or any delay in doing so. The Administrative Agent shall not be liable for any mistake of fact or law in its individual capacity or its capacity as attorney-in-fact except acts or omissions resulting from its gross negligence or willful misconduct as determined by a final non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction. This power of attorney is conferred on the Administrative Agent solely to protect, preserve and realize upon its security interest in the Collateral and shall not impose any duty upon the Administrative Agent or any other Secured Party to exercise any such powers.

(b) <u>Assignment by the Administrative Agent</u>. The Administrative Agent may from time to time assign the Secured Obligations to a successor Administrative Agent appointed in accordance with the Credit Agreement, and such successor shall be entitled to all of the rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent under this Agreement in relation thereto.

(c) <u>The Administrative Agent's Duty of Care</u>. Other than the exercise of reasonable care to assure the safe custody of the Collateral while being held by the Administrative Agent hereunder, the Administrative Agent shall have no duty or liability to preserve rights pertaining thereto, it being understood and agreed that the Grantors shall be responsible for preservation of all rights in the Collateral, and the Administrative Agent shall be relieved of all responsibility for the Collateral upon surrendering it or tendering the surrender of it to the Grantors. The Administrative Agent shall be deemed to have exercised reasonable care in the custody and preservation of the Collateral in its possession if the Collateral is accorded treatment substantially equal to that which the Administrative Agent accords its own property, which shall be no less than the treatment employed by a reasonable and prudent agent in the industry, it being understood that the Administrative Agent shall not have responsibility for taking any necessary steps to preserve rights against any parties with respect to any of the Collateral. In the event of a public or private sale of Collateral pursuant to <u>Section 7</u> hereof, the Administrative Agent shall have no responsibility for (i) ascertaining or taking action with respect to calls, conversions, exchanges, maturities, tenders or other matters relating to any Collateral, whether or not the Administrative Agent has or is deemed to have knowledge of such matters, or (ii) taking any steps to clean, repair or otherwise prepare the Collateral for sale.

(d) <u>Liability with Respect to Accounts</u>. Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, each of the Grantors shall remain liable under each of the Accounts to observe and perform all the conditions and obligations to be observed and performed by it thereunder, all in accordance with the terms of any agreement giving rise to each such Account. Neither the Administrative Agent nor any Secured Party shall have any obligation or liability under any Account (or any agreement giving rise thereto) by reason of or arising out of this Agreement or the receipt by the Administrative Agent or any Secured Party of any payment relating to such Account pursuant hereto, nor shall the Administrative Agent or any Secured Party be obligated in any manner to perform any of the obligations of a Grantor under or pursuant to any Account (or any agreement giving rise thereto), to make any payment, to make any inquiry as to the nature or the sufficiency of any payment received by it or as to the sufficiency of any performance by any party under any Account (or any agreement giving rise thereto), to present or file any claim, to take any action to enforce any performance or to collect the payment of any amounts which may have been assigned to it or to which it may be entitled at any time or times.

(e) Releases of Collateral.

(i) If any Collateral shall be sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of by any Grantor in a transaction permitted by the Credit Agreement, then the Administrative Agent, at the request and sole expense of such Grantor, shall promptly execute and deliver to such Grantor all releases and other documents, and take such other action, reasonably necessary for the release of the Liens created hereby or by any other Collateral Document on such Collateral.

(ii) The Administrative Agent may release any of the Pledged Equity from this Agreement or may substitute any of the Pledged Equity for other Pledged Equity without altering, varying or diminishing in any way the force, effect, lien, pledge or security interest of this Agreement as to any Pledged Equity not expressly released or substituted, and this Agreement shall continue as a first priority lien on all Pledged Equity not expressly released or substituted.

9. <u>Application of Proceeds</u>. After the exercise of remedies provided for in Section 8.02 of the Credit Agreement (or after the Loans have automatically become immediately due and payable and the L/C Obligations have automatically been required to be Cash Collateralized as set forth in Section 8.02 of the Credit Agreement) any payments in respect of the Secured Obligations and any proceeds of the Collateral, when received by the Administrative Agent or any Secured Party in cash or Cash Equivalents will be applied in reduction of the Secured Obligations in the order set forth in the Credit Agreement.

10. <u>Continuing Agreement</u>. This Agreement shall continue to be effective or be automatically reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time payment, in whole or in part, of any of the Secured Obligations is rescinded or must otherwise be restored or returned by the Administrative Agent or any Secured Party as a preference, fraudulent conveyance or otherwise under any Debtor Relief Law, all as though such payment had not been made; provided that in the event payment of all or any part of the Secured Obligations is rescinded or must be restored or returned, subject to the terms of the Loan Documents, all reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including without limitation any reasonable outside counsel legal fees and disbursements) incurred by the Administrative Agent or any Secured Party in defending and enforcing such reinstatement shall be deemed to be included as a part of the Secured Obligations.

11. <u>Amendments; Waivers; Modifications, etc</u>. This Agreement and the provisions hereof may not be amended, waived, modified, changed, discharged or terminated except as set forth in Section 11.01 of the Credit Agreement.

12. <u>Successors in Interest</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon each Grantor, its successors and assigns and shall inure, together with the rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent and the Secured Parties hereunder, to the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Secured Parties and their successors and permitted assigns.

13. <u>Notices</u>. All notices required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be in conformance with Section 11.02 of the Credit Agreement; <u>provided</u> that notices and communications to the Grantors shall be directed to the Grantors, at the address of the Borrower set forth in Section 11.02 of the Credit Agreement.

14. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which where so executed and delivered shall be an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument. It shall not be necessary in making proof of this Agreement to produce or account for more than one such counterpart. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement. Without limiting the foregoing, to the extent a manually executed counterpart is not specifically required to be delivered, upon the request of any party, such fax transmission or electronic mail transmission shall be promptly followed by such manually executed counterpart.

15. <u>Headings</u>. The headings of the sections hereof are provided for convenience only and shall not in any way affect the meaning or construction of any provision of this Agreement.

16. <u>Governing Law</u>; <u>Submission to Jurisdiction</u>; <u>Venue</u>; <u>WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL</u>. The terms of Sections 11.14 and 11.15 of the Credit Agreement with respect to governing law, submission to jurisdiction, venue and waiver of jury trial are incorporated herein by reference, *mutatis mutandis*, and the parties hereto agree to such terms.

17. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, such provision shall be fully severable and the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect and shall be construed without giving effect to the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provisions.

18. <u>Entirety</u>. This Agreement, the other Loan Documents and the other documents relating to the Secured Obligations represent the entire agreement of the parties hereto and thereto, and supersede all prior agreements and understandings, oral or written, if any, including any commitment letters or correspondence relating to the Loan Documents, any other documents relating to the Secured Obligations, or the transactions contemplated herein and therein.

19. <u>Other Security</u>. To the extent that any of the Secured Obligations are now or hereafter secured by property other than the Collateral (including, without limitation, real property and securities owned by a Grantor), or by a guarantee, endorsement or property of any other Person, then the Administrative Agent shall have the right to proceed against such other property, guarantee or endorsement after the occurrence of any Event of Default and during the continuation thereof, and the Administrative Agent shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to determine which rights, security, liens, security interests or remedies the Administrative Agent shall at any time pursue, relinquish, subordinate, modify or take with respect thereto, without in any way modifying or affecting any of them or the Secured Obligations or any of the rights of the Administrative Agent or the Secured Parties under this Agreement, under any other of the Loan Documents or under any other document relating to the Secured Obligations.

20. <u>Joinder</u>. At any time after the date of this Agreement, one or more additional Persons may become party hereto by executing and delivering to the Administrative Agent a Joinder Agreement in the form of <u>Exhibit D</u> to the Credit Agreement or such other form reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent. Immediately upon such execution and delivery of such Joinder Agreement (and without any further action), each such additional Person will become a party to this Agreement as an "Grantor" and have all of the rights and obligations of a Grantor hereunder and this Agreement and the schedules hereto shall be deemed amended by such Joinder Agreement.

21. <u>Consent of Issuers of Pledged Equity</u>. Any Loan Party that is an Issuer hereby acknowledges, consents and agrees to the grant of the security interests in such Pledged Equity by the applicable Grantors pursuant to this Agreement, together with all rights accompanying such security interest as provided by this Agreement and applicable Law, notwithstanding any anti-assignment provisions in any operating agreement, limited partnership agreement or similar organizational or governance documents of such Issuer.

22. Joint and Several Obligations of Grantors.

(a) Each of the Grantors is accepting joint and several liability hereunder in consideration of the financial accommodations to be provided by the Lenders under the Credit Agreement, for the mutual benefit, directly and indirectly, of each of the Grantors and in consideration of the undertakings of each of the Grantors to accept joint and several liability for the obligations of each of them.

(b) Each of the Grantors jointly and severally hereby irrevocably and unconditionally accepts, not merely as a surety but also as a primary obligor, joint and several liability with the other Grantors with respect to the payment and performance of all of the Secured Obligations, it being the intention of the parties hereto that (i) all the Secured Obligations shall be the joint and several obligations of each of the Grantors without preferences or distinction among them and (ii) a separate action may be brought against each Grantor to enforce this Agreement whether or not the Borrower, any other Grantor or any other Person is joined as a party.

(c) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained herein, in any other of the Loan Documents, to the extent the obligations of a Grantor shall be adjudicated to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason (including, without limitation, because of any applicable state or federal law relating to fraudulent conveyances or transfers) then the obligations of such Grantor hereunder shall be limited to the maximum amount that is permissible under applicable law (whether federal or state and including, without limitation, Debtor Relief Laws).

23. <u>Marshaling</u>. The Administrative Agent shall not be required to marshal any present or future collateral security (including but not limited to the Collateral) for, or other assurances of payment of, the Secured Obligations or any of them or to resort to such collateral security or other assurances of payment in any particular order, and all of its rights and remedies hereunder and in respect of such collateral security and other assurances of payment shall be cumulative and in addition to all other rights and remedies, however existing or arising. To the extent that it lawfully may, each Grantor hereby agrees that it will not invoke any law relating to the marshaling of collateral which might cause delay in or impede the enforcement of the Administrative Agent's rights and remedies under this Agreement or under any other instrument creating or evidencing any of the Secured Obligations or under which any of the Secured Obligations is outstanding or by which any of the Secured Obligations is secured or payment thereof is otherwise assured, and, to the extent that it lawfully may, each Grantor hereby irrevocably waives the benefits of all such laws.

24. Injunctive Relief.

(a) Each Grantor recognizes that, in the event such Grantor fails to perform, observe or discharge any of its obligations or liabilities under this Agreement or any other Loan Document, any remedy of law may prove to be inadequate relief to the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties. Therefore, each Grantor agrees that the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, at the option of the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, shall be entitled to temporary and permanent injunctive relief in any such case without the necessity of proving actual damages. (b) The Administrative Agent, the other Secured Parties and each Grantor hereby agree that no such Person shall have a remedy of punitive or exemplary damages against any other party to a Loan Document and each such Person hereby waives any right or claim to punitive or exemplary damages that they may now have or may arise in the future in connection with any dispute under this Agreement or any other Loan Document, whether such dispute is resolved through arbitration or judicially.

25. <u>Secured Parties</u>. Each Secured Party that is not a party to the Credit Agreement who obtains the benefit of this Agreement shall be deemed to have acknowledged and accepted the appointment of the Administrative Agent pursuant to the terms of the Credit Agreement, and with respect to the actions and omissions of the Administrative Agent hereunder or otherwise relating hereto that do or may affect such Secured Party, the Administrative Agent and each of its Affiliates shall be entitled to all of the rights, benefits and immunities conferred under <u>Article IX</u> of the Credit Agreement.

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Each of the parties hereto has caused a counterpart of this Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written.

GRANTORS:

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS, INC. a Massachusetts corporation

By:<u>/s/ Charles H. Sherwood</u> Name: Charles H. Sherwood, Ph.D. Title: Chief Executive Officer

Anika – Signature Page to Security Agreement

Accepted and agreed to as of the date first above written.

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

By: <u>/s/ Molly Kropp</u> Name: Molly Kropp Title: Vice President

Anika Specialties – Signature Page to Security Agreement

EXHIBIT A

[FORM OF]

IRREVOCABLE STOCK POWER

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers to _______ the following Equity Interests of ______], a [______] [corporation] [limited liability company]:

No. of Shares

[__

Certificate No.

and irrevocably appoints _______ its agent and attorney-in-fact to transfer all or any part of such Equity Interests and to take all necessary and appropriate action to effect any such transfer. The agent and attorney-in-fact may substitute and appoint one or more persons to act for him.

By: Name: Title:

CERTIFICATION

I, Charles H. Sherwood, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2017 of Anika Therapeutics, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 27, 2017

/s/ CHARLES H. SHERWOOD

Charles H. Sherwood, Ph.D. Chief Executive Officer Principal Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION

I, Sylvia Cheung, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2017 of Anika Therapeutics, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 27, 2017

/s/ SYLVIA CHEUNG

Sylvia Cheung Chief Financial Officer Principal Financial Officer

Section 906 Certification

The undersigned officers of Anika Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company") hereby certify to their knowledge and in their respective capacities that the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q to which this certification is attached (the "Report"), as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and that the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: October 27, 2017

Date: October 27, 2017

/s/ CHARLES H. SHERWOOD

Charles H. Sherwood, Ph.D. Chief Executive Officer Principal Executive Officer

/s/ SYLVIA CHEUNG

Sylvia Cheung Chief Financial Officer Principal Financial Officer

This certification shall not be deemed "filed" for any purpose, nor shall it be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing, under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act.