# Sample Covenant Provisions From Indenture of Senior Subordinated Note Initially Rated B3/B-

Restaurant Company. AS ISSUER

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THE SUBSIDIARY GUARANTORSNAMED HEREIN

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INDENTURE

DATED AS OF \_\_\_\_\_

[BIG] BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, TRUSTEE

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ARTICLE 1.

## DEFINITIONS

#### SECTION 1.1. DEFINITIONS

"Acquired Indebtedness" means Indebtedness of a Person existing at the time such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary or assumed in connection with an Asset Acquisition from such Person by a Restricted Subsidiary and not Incurred by such Person in connection with, or in anticipation of, such Person becoming a Restricted Subsidiary or such Asset Acquisition; provided that Indebtedness of such Person which is redeemed, defeased, retired or otherwise repaid at the time of or immediately upon consummation of the transactions by which such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary or such Asset Acquisition shall not be Acquired Indebtedness.

"Adjusted Consolidated Net Income" means for any period, the aggregate net income of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period determined on a consolidated basis in conformity with GAAP; provided that the following items shall be excluded in computing Adjusted Consolidated Net Income (without duplication): (i) the net income of any Person (other than the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary), except to the extent of the amount of dividends or distributions actually paid to the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries by such Person during such period; (ii) solely for the purposes of calculating the amount of Restricted Payments that may be made pursuant to clause (C) of the first paragraph of Section 4.10 (and in such case, except to the extent includable pursuant to clause (i) above), the net income (or loss) of any Person accrued prior to the date it becomes a Restricted Subsidiary or is merged into or consolidated with the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or all or substantially all of the property and assets of such Person are acquired by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; (iii) the net income of any Restricted Subsidiary to the extent that the declaration or payment of dividends or similar distributions by such Restricted Subsidiary of such net income to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary is not at the time of such determination permitted by the operation of the terms of its charter or any agreement, instrument, judgment, decree, order, statute, rule or governmental regulation applicable to such Restricted Subsidiary; (iv) any gains or losses (on an after-tax basis) attributable to Asset Sales; (v) except for purposes of calculating the amount of Restricted Payments that may be made pursuant to clause (C) of the first paragraph of Section 4.10, the amount of dividends or other distributions actually paid to the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries by any Unrestricted Subsidiary during such period; and (vi) all extraordinary gains and extraordinary losses (on an after-tax basis).

"Affiliate" means, as applied to any Person, any other Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under direct or indirect common control with, such Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" (including, with correlative meanings, the terms "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control with"), as applied to any Person, means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; provided that the beneficial ownership of 10% or more of the voting securities of a Person shall be deemed to be control.

"Asset Acquisition" means (i) an investment by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in any other Person pursuant to which such Person shall become a Restricted Subsidiary or shall be merged into or consolidated with the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; provided that such Person's primary business is related, ancillary or complementary to the businesses of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries on the date of such investment or (ii) an acquisition by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of the property and assets of any Person other than the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries that constitute substantially all of a division or line of business of such Person; provided that the property and assets acquired are related, ancillary or complementary to the businesses of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries of the property and assets acquired are related, ancillary or complementary to the businesses of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries of the Company and its Restricted are related, ancillary or complementary to the businesses of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries on the date of such acquisition.

"Asset Disposition" means the sale or other disposition by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than to the Company or another Restricted Subsidiary) of (i) all or substantially all of the Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company or (ii) all or substantially all of the assets that constitute a division or line of business of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries.

"Asset Sale" means any sale, transfer or other disposition (including by way of merger, consolidation or sale-leaseback transaction) in one transaction or a series of related transactions by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to any Person other than the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of (i) all or any of the Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary, (ii) all or substantially all of the property and assets of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or (iii) any other property and assets of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than the Capital Stock or other Investment in an Unrestricted Subsidiary) outside the ordinary course of business of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary and, in each case, that is not governed by the provisions of this Indenture applicable to mergers, consolidations and sales of assets of the Company; provided that "Asset Sale" shall not include (a) sales or other dispositions of inventory, receivables and other current assets in the ordinary course of business, (b) sales, transfers or other dispositions of assets with a Fair Market Value not in excess of \$2,000,000 in any transaction or series of related transactions, (c) sales, transfers or other dispositions of assets constituting a Restricted Payment permitted to be made under Section 4.10, (d) sales, transfers or other dispositions of property or equipment that has become worn out, obsolete or damaged or otherwise unsuitable for use in connection with the business of the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries, (e) the sale, transfer or other disposition of any property or assets by any Restricted Subsidiary to the Company or any Subsidiary Guarantor, (f) the sale, transfer or other disposition to a franchisee of the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary, within twelve months of the acquisition thereof, of any restaurant that has been acquired by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary from a franchisee of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary, if the consideration received in such sale, transfer or other disposition is at least equal to the Fair Market Value of such restaurant, (g) the sale, transfer or other disposition of real property on which a restaurant is located in exchange for other real property on which a restaurant will be located, which acquired real property has a Fair Market Value at least equal to the Fair Market Value of the real property being sold, transferred or disposed of and (h) the sale of property acquired or constructed for cash consideration equal to or greater than the Fair Market Value of such property in a sale and leaseback transaction in which such property is leased to the Company or the Restricted Subsidiary that sold such property; provided, that to the extent that the proceeds from such sale are not invested in property or assets (other than current assets) of a nature or type that are used in a business (or in a company having property and assets of a nature or type, or engaged in a business) similar or related to the nature or type of the property and assets of, or the business of, the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries on or before the date that is 12 months following such sale, such sale shall be deemed to constitute an "Asset Sale" occurring as of such date.

"Capital Stock" means, with respect to any Person, any and all shares, interests, participations or other equivalents (however designated, whether voting or non-voting) in equity of such Person, whether outstanding on the Closing Date or issued thereafter, including, without limitation, all Common Stock and Preferred Stock.

"Capitalized Lease" means, as applied to any Person, any lease of any property (whether real, personal or mixed) of which the discounted present value of the rental obligations of such Person as lessee, in conformity with GAAP, is required to be capitalized on the balance sheet of such Person.

"Capitalized Lease Obligations" means the discounted present value of the rental obligations under a Capitalized Lease.

"Change of Control" means such time as (i) a plan relating to the liquidation or dissolution of the Company is adopted; (ii) the liquidation or dissolution of the Company; (iii) individuals who at the beginning of any 24-month period constituted the Board of Directors of the Company (together with any new or replacement directors whose election by the Board of Directors or whose nomination by the Board of Directors for election by the Company's stockholders was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the members of the Board of Directors then still in office who either were members of the Board of Directors on the Closing Date or whose election or nomination for election was so approved) cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of the Company during such 24-month period; (iv) (A) any "person" or "group" (as such terms are used in Section 13(d)(3) or Section 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act, including any group acting for the purpose of acquiring, holding or disposing of securities within the meaning of Rule 13d-5(b)(1) under the Exchange Act), other than the Principals and their Related Parties, becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 35% of the Voting Stock of the Company; or (B) any "person" (as defined above) or "group" (as defined above) becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined above), directly or indirectly, of both (i) more of the Voting Stock of the Company than is at the time "beneficially owned" (as defined above) by the Principals and their Related Persons in the aggregate and (ii) more than 15% of the Voting Stock of the Company.

For purposes of this definition, (i) any transfer of an equity interest of an entity that was formed for the purpose of acquiring Voting Stock of the Company will be deemed to be a transfer of such portion of such Voting Stock as corresponds to the portion of the equity of such entity that has been so transferred; and (ii) at any time that [XYZ] Limited Partnership ceases to be solely controlled by [Major Shareholder], [XYZ] Limited Partnership shall cease to be a Principal and be deemed to have become, as of such time, the "beneficial owner" (as defined above) of all Voting Stock of the Company which it then "beneficially owns" (as defined above).

"Common Stock" means, with respect to any Person, any and all shares, interests, participations or other equivalents (however designated, whether voting or non-voting) of such Person's common equity, whether outstanding on the Closing Date or issued thereafter.

"Consolidated EBITDA" means, for any period, Adjusted Consolidated Net Income for such period plus, to the extent such amount was deducted in calculating such Adjusted Consolidated Net Income, (i) Consolidated Interest Expense, (ii) income taxes (other than income taxes (either positive or negative) attributable to extraordinary gains or losses or sales of assets), (iii) depreciation expense, (iv) amortization expense and (v) all other non-cash items reducing Adjusted Consolidated Net Income less all non-cash items increasing Adjusted Consolidated Net Income; provided, that if any Restricted Subsidiary is not a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary, Consolidated EBITDA shall be reduced (to the extent not otherwise reduced in accordance with GAAP) by an amount equal to (A) the amount of the Adjusted Consolidated Net Income attributable to such Restricted Subsidiary multiplied by (B) the percentage ownership interest in the income of such Restricted Subsidiary not owned on the last day of such period by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries.

"Consolidated Interest Expense" means, for any period, the aggregate amount of: (i) interest in respect of Indebtedness, including, without limitation, amortization of original issue discount on any Indebtedness and the interest portion of any deferred payment obligation, calculated in accordance with the effective interest method of accounting; all commissions, discounts and other fees and charges owed with respect to letters of credit and bankers' acceptance financing; the net costs associated with Interest Rate Agreements; and the foregoing to the extent it relates to Indebtedness that is Guaranteed by or secured by the assets of Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries); (ii) all but the principal component of rentals in respect of Capitalized Lease Obligations paid, accrued or scheduled to be paid or to be accrued by the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries during such period; (iii) all interest capitalized during such period; and (iv) the product of (a) all dividend payments, whether or not in cash, on any series of Preferred Stock

of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, other than dividend payments on Capital Stock payable solely in Capital Stock of the Company (other than Disqualified Stock) or to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company, times (b) a fraction, the numerator of which is one and the denominator of which is one minus the then current combined federal, state and local statutory tax rate of such Person, expressed as a decimal, in each case, on a consolidated basis and in accordance with GAAP; excluding, however, (A) any amount of such interest of any Restricted Subsidiary if the net income of such Restricted Subsidiary is excluded in the calculation of Adjusted Consolidated Net Income pursuant to clause (iii) of the definition thereof (but only in the same proportion as the net income of such Restricted Subsidiary is excluded from the calculation of Adjusted Consolidated Net Income pursuant to clause (iii) of the definition thereof) and (B) any premiums, fees and expenses (and any amortization thereof) payable in connection with the offering of the Notes or the establishment of the Credit Agreement, all as determined on a consolidated basis in conformity with GAAP.

"Consolidated Net Worth" means, at any date of determination, stockholders' equity as set forth on the most recently available quarterly or annual consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries (which shall be as of a date not more than 135 days prior to the date of such computation, and which shall not take into account Unrestricted Subsidiaries except as investments), less any amounts attributable to Disqualified Stock or any equity security convertible into or exchangeable for Indebtedness, the cost of treasury stock and the principal amount of any promissory notes receivable from the sale of the Capital Stock of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, each item to be determined in conformity with GAAP (excluding the effects of foreign currency exchange adjustments under Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 52).

"Credit Agreement" means the second amended and restated credit agreement dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_, among the Company, [Bank] and the lenders party thereto, together with any agreements, instruments and documents executed or delivered by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries pursuant to or in connection with such credit agreement (including without limitation any guarantees and security documents), in each case as such credit agreement or such agreements, instruments or documents may be amended (including any amendment and restatement thereof), supplemented, extended, renewed, replaced or otherwise modified from time to time, and including any agreement extending the maturity of, refinancing or otherwise restructuring (including, without limitation, the inclusion of additional borrowers thereunder that are Subsidiaries) all or any portion of the Indebtedness or commitments or letters of credit under such agreement or any successor agreement, as such agreement may be amended, renewed, extended, substituted, replaced, restated and otherwise modified from time to time, whether or not with the same agent or lenders and irrespective of any change in the terms and conditions thereof, including increasing the amount of Indebtedness incurred thereunder or available to be borrowed thereunder.

"Default" means any event that is, or after notice or passage of time or both would be, an Event of Default.

"Designated Senior Indebtedness" means (i) any Obligation under the Credit Agreement and (ii) any other Indebtedness constituting Senior Indebtedness that, at the date of determination, has commitments for or an aggregate principal amount outstanding of at least \$25,000,000 and that is specifically designated by the issuer, in the instrument creating or evidencing such Senior Indebtedness as "Designated Senior Indebtedness."

"Disqualified Stock" means any class or series of Capital Stock of any Person that by its terms or otherwise is (i) required to be redeemed prior to the Stated Maturity of the Notes, (ii) redeemable at the option of the holder of such class or series of Capital Stock at any time prior to the 91st day following the Stated Maturity of the Notes or (iii) convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock referred to in clause (i) or (ii) above or Indebtedness having a scheduled maturity prior to the Stated Maturity of the Notes; provided that any Capital Stock that would not constitute

Disqualified Stock but for provisions thereof giving holders thereof the right to require such Person to repurchase or redeem such Capital Stock upon the occurrence of an "asset sale" or "change of control" occurring prior to the Stated Maturity of the Notes shall not constitute Disqualified Stock if the "asset sale" or "change of control" provisions applicable to such Capital Stock are no more favorable to the holders of such Capital Stock than the provisions contained in Section 4.14 and Section 4.15 and such Capital Stock specifically provides that such Person will not repurchase of such Notes as are required to be repurchased pursuant to Section 4.14 and Section 4.15.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Exchange Offer" means the offer that may be made by the Company pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement to exchange Series B Notes for Series A Notes.

"Fair Market Value" means the price that would be paid in an arm's-length transaction between an informed and willing seller under no compulsion to sell and an informed and willing buyer under no compulsion to buy, as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors, whose determination shall be conclusive if evidenced by a Board Resolution.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America as in effect as of the Closing Date, including, without limitation, those set forth in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board or in such other statements by such other entity as approved by a significant segment of the accounting profession. Unless otherwise specified, all ratios and computations contained or referred to in the Indenture shall be computed in conformity with GAAP applied on a consistent basis.

"Guarantee" means any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of any Person directly or indirectly guaranteeing any Indebtedness of any other Person and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, any obligation, direct or indirect, contingent or otherwise, of such Person (i) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness of such other Person (whether arising by virtue of partnership arrangements, or by agreements to keep-well, to purchase assets, goods, securities or services (unless such purchase arrangements are on arm's-length terms and are entered into in the ordinary course of business), to take-or-pay, or to maintain financial statement conditions or otherwise) or (ii) entered into for purposes of assuring in any other manner the obligee of such Indebtedness of the payment thereof or to protect such obligee against loss in respect thereof (in whole or in part); provided that the term "Guarantee" shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business. The term "Guarantee" used as a verb has a corresponding meaning.

"Holder" means a Person in whose name a Note is registered on the Registrar's books.

"Incur" means, with respect to any Indebtedness, to incur, create, issue, assume, Guarantee or otherwise become liable for or with respect to, or become responsible for, the payment of, contingently or otherwise, such Indebtedness, including an "Incurrence" of Acquired Indebtedness; provided that the accrual of interest shall not be considered an Incurrence of Indebtedness.

"Indebtedness" means, with respect to any Person at any date of determination (without duplication), (i) all indebtedness of such Person for borrowed money, (ii) all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or other similar instruments, (iii) all obligations of such Person in respect of letters of credit or other similar instruments (including reimbursement obligations with respect thereto, but excluding obligations with respect to letters of credit (including trade letters of credit) securing obligations (other than obligations described in (i) or (ii) above or (v), (vi) or (vii) below) entered into in the ordinary course of business of such Person to

the extent such letters of credit are not drawn upon or, if drawn upon, to the extent such drawing is reimbursed no later than the third Business Day following receipt by such Person of a demand for reimbursement), (iv) all obligations of such Person to pay the deferred and unpaid purchase price of property or services, which purchase price is due more than six months after the date of placing such property in service or taking delivery and title thereto or the completion of such services, except Trade Payables, (v) all Capitalized Lease Obligations, (vi) all Indebtedness of other Persons secured by a Lien on any asset of such Person, whether or not such Indebtedness is assumed by such Person: provided that the amount of such Indebtedness shall be the lesser of (A) the Fair Market Value of such asset at such date of determination and (B) the amount of such Indebtedness, (vii) all Indebtedness of other Persons Guaranteed by such Person to the extent such Indebtedness is Guaranteed by such Person and (viii) to the extent not otherwise included in this definition, obligations under Currency Agreements and Interest Rate Agreements. The amount of Indebtedness of any Person at any date shall be the outstanding balance at such date of all unconditional obligations as described above and, with respect to contingent obligations, the maximum liability upon the occurrence of the contingency giving rise to the obligation, provided (A) that the amount outstanding at any time of any Indebtedness issued with original issue discount is the face amount of such Indebtedness less the remaining unamortized portion of the original issue discount of such Indebtedness at such time as determined in conformity with GAAP. (B) that money borrowed and set aside at the time of the Incurrence of any Indebtedness in order to prefund the payment of the interest on such Indebtedness shall not be deemed to be "Indebtedness" so long as such money is held to secure the payment of such interest and (C) that Indebtedness shall not include any liability for federal, state, local or other taxes.

"Indenture" means this Indenture, as amended or supplemented from time to time.

"Initial Notes" means the first \$200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Notes issued under this Indenture on the date hereof.

"Institutional Accredited Investor" means an institution that is an "accredited investor" as defined in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7), under the Securities Act, who is not also a QIB.

"Interest Coverage Ratio means, on any Transaction Date, the ratio of (i) the aggregate amount of Consolidated EBITDA for the then most recent four fiscal guarters prior to such Transaction Date for which reports have been filed with the Commission or provided to the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.3 (the "Four Quarter Period") to (ii) the aggregate Consolidated Interest Expense during such Four Quarter Period. In making the foregoing calculation, (A) pro forma effect shall be given to any Indebtedness Incurred or repaid, retired, redeemed, converted or defeased during the period (the "Reference Period") commencing on the first day of the Four Quarter Period and ending on the Transaction Date (other than Indebtedness Incurred under a revolving credit or similar arrangement to the extent of the commitment thereunder (or under any predecessor revolving credit or similar arrangement) in effect on the last day of such Four Quarter Period except to the extent any portion of such Indebtedness is projected, in the reasonable judgment of the senior management of the Company, to remain outstanding for a period in excess of 12 months from the date of the Incurrence thereof), in each case as if such Indebtedness had been Incurred or repaid on the first day of such Reference Period (and pro forma effect shall be given to the purchase of any U.S. government securities required to be purchased with the proceeds of any such Indebtedness and set aside to prefund the payment of interest on such Indebtedness at the time such Indebtedness is Incurred); (B) Consolidated Interest Expense attributable to interest on any Indebtedness or Preferred Stock (whether existing or being Incurred or issued) computed on a pro forma basis and bearing a floating interest or dividend rate shall be computed as if the rate in effect on the Transaction Date (taking into account any Interest Rate Agreement applicable to such Indebtedness if such Interest Rate Agreement has a remaining term in excess of 12 months or, if shorter, at least equal to the remaining term of such Indebtedness) had been the applicable rate for the entire period; (C) pro forma effect shall be given to Asset Dispositions and Asset Acquisitions (including giving pro forma effect to the application of proceeds of any Asset Disposition and to any discharge of or

other relief from Indebtedness to which the Company and its continuing Restricted Subsidiaries are not liable following any Asset Disposition) and the designation of Unrestricted Subsidiaries as Restricted Subsidiaries that occur during such Reference Period as if they had occurred and such proceeds had been applied and such discharge or relief has occurred on the first day of such Reference Period; and (D) pro forma effect shall be given to asset dispositions and asset acquisitions (including giving pro forma effect to the application of proceeds of any asset disposition and to any discharge of or other relief from Indebtedness to which the Company and its continuing Restricted Subsidiaries are not liable following any asset disposition) that have been made by any Person that has become a Restricted Subsidiary or has been merged with or into the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary during such Reference Period and that would have constituted Asset Dispositions or Asset Acquisitions had such transactions occurred when such Person was a Restricted Subsidiary as if such asset dispositions or asset acquisitions were Asset Dispositions or Asset Acquisitions that occurred on the first day of such Reference Period; provided that to the extent that clause (C) or (D) of this sentence requires that pro forma effect be given to an Asset Acquisition or Asset Disposition, such pro forma calculation shall be based upon the four full fiscal quarters immediately preceding the Transaction Date of the Person, or division or line of business of the Person, that is acquired or disposed for which financial information is available.

"Investment" in any Person means any direct or indirect advance, loan or other extension of credit (including, without limitation, by way of Guarantee or similar arrangement, but excluding advances to customers, suppliers or contractors in the ordinary course of business that are, in conformity with GAAP, recorded as accounts receivable, prepaid expenses or deposits on the balance sheet of the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries) or capital contribution to (by means of any transfer of cash or other property to others or any payment for property or services for the account or use of others), or any purchase or acquisition of Capital Stock, bonds, notes, debentures or other similar instruments issued by, such Person and shall include (i) the designation of a Restricted Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary and (ii) the Fair Market Value of the Capital Stock (or any other Investment), held by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, of (or in) any Person that has ceased to be a Restricted Subsidiary for any reason: provided that the Fair Market Value of the Investment remaining in any Person that has ceased to be a Restricted Subsidiary shall not exceed the aggregate amount of Investments previously made in such Person valued at the time such Investments were made less the net reduction of such Investments. For purposes of the definition of "Unrestricted Subsidiary" and Section 4.10, (i) "Investment" shall include the Fair Market Value of the assets (net of liabilities (other than liabilities to the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries)) of any Restricted Subsidiary at the time that such Restricted Subsidiary is designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary, (ii) the Fair Market Value of the assets (net of liabilities (other than liabilities to the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries)) of any Unrestricted Subsidiary at the time that such Unrestricted Subsidiary is designated a Restricted Subsidiary shall be considered a reduction in outstanding Investments and (iii) any property transferred to or from an Unrestricted Subsidiary shall be valued at its Fair Market Value at the time of such transfer. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall any issuance of Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Company in exchange for Capital Stock, property or assets of another Person or any redemption or repurchase of the Notes or other Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary for cash constitute an Investment by the Company in such other Person.

"Lien" means any mortgage, pledge, security interest, encumbrance, lien or charge of any kind (including, without limitation, any conditional sale or other title retention agreement or lease in the nature thereof or any agreement to give any security interest).

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and its successors.

"Notes" means has the meaning assigned to it in the preamble to this Indenture. The Initial Notes and the Additional Notes shall be treated as a single class for all purposes under this Indenture.

"Net Cash Proceeds" means, (a) with respect to any Asset Sale (other than as described in clause (b) below), the proceeds of such Asset Sale in the form of cash or cash equivalents. including payments in respect of deferred payment obligations (to the extent corresponding to the principal, but not interest, component thereof) when received in the form of cash or cash equivalents (except to the extent such obligations are financed or sold with recourse to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary) and proceeds from the conversion of other property received when converted to cash or cash equivalents, net of (i) brokerage commissions and other fees and expenses (including fees and expenses of counsel and investment bankers) related to such Asset Sale, (ii) provisions for all taxes (whether or not such taxes will actually be paid or are payable) as a result of such Asset Sale without regard to the consolidated results of operations of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, (iii) payments made to repay Indebtedness (other than Senior Indebtedness) or any other obligation outstanding at the time of such Asset Sale that either (A) is secured by a Lien on the property or assets sold or (B) is required to be paid as a result of such sale and (iv) appropriate amounts to be provided by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary as a reserve against any liabilities associated with such Asset Sale, including, without limitation, pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities, liabilities related to environmental matters and liabilities under any indemnification obligations associated with such Asset Sale, all as determined in conformity with GAAP and (b) with respect to any issuance or sale of Capital Stock (other than issuances to the Company or to any Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiary), the proceeds of such issuance or sale in the form of cash or cash equivalents, including payments in respect of deferred payment obligations (to the extent corresponding to the principal, but not interest, component thereof) when received in the form of cash or cash equivalents (except to the extent such obligations are financed or sold with recourse to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary) and proceeds from the conversion of other property received when converted to cash or cash equivalents, net of attorney's fees, accountants' fees, underwriters' or initial purchasers' fees, discounts or commissions and brokerage, consultant and other fees incurred in connection with such issuance or sale and net of taxes paid or payable as a result thereof.

"Obligations" means any principal, interest, premium, if any, penalties, fees, indemnifications, reimbursements, damages or other liabilities payable under the documentation governing or otherwise in respect of any Indebtedness.

"Offer to Purchase" means an offer to purchase Notes by the Company from the Holders commenced by mailing a notice to the Trustee and each Holder stating: (i) the covenant pursuant to which the offer is being made and that all Notes validly tendered will be accepted for payment on a pro rata basis; (ii) the purchase price and the date of purchase (which shall be a Business Day no earlier than 30 days nor later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed) (the "Payment Date"); (iii) that any Note not tendered will continue to accrue interest pursuant to its terms; (iv) that, unless the Company defaults in the payment of the purchase price, any Note accepted for payment pursuant to the Offer to Purchase shall cease to accrue interest on and after the Payment Date; (v) that Holders electing to have a Note purchased pursuant to the Offer to Purchase will be required to surrender the Note, together with the form entitled "Option of the Holder to Elect Purchase" on the reverse side of the Note completed, to the Paving Agent at the address specified in the notice prior to the close of business on the Business Day immediately preceding the Payment Date; (vi) that Holders will be entitled to withdraw their election if the Paying Agent receives, not later than the close of business on the third Business Day immediately preceding the Payment Date, a telegram, facsimile transmission or letter setting forth the name of such Holder, the principal amount of Notes delivered for purchase and a statement that such Holder is withdrawing his election to have such Notes purchased; and (vii) that Holders whose Notes are being purchased only in part will be issued new Notes equal in principal amount to the unpurchased portion of the Notes surrendered; provided that each Note purchased and each new Note issued shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000 or integral multiples thereof. On the Payment Date, the Company shall (i) accept for payment on a pro rata basis Notes or portions thereof tendered pursuant to an Offer to Purchase; (ii) deposit with the Paying Agent money sufficient to pay the purchase price of all Notes or portions thereof so accepted; and (iii)

deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Trustee all Notes or portions thereof so accepted together with an Officers' Certificate specifying the Notes or portions thereof accepted for payment by the Company. The Paying Agent shall promptly mail to the Holders of Notes so accepted payment in an amount equal to the purchase price, and the Trustee shall promptly authenticate and mail to such Holders a new Note equal in principal amount to any unpurchased portion of the Note surrendered; provided that each Note purchased and each new Note issued shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000 or integral multiples thereof. The Company will publicly announce the results of an Offer to Purchase as soon as practicable after the Payment Date. The Trustee shall act as the Paying Agent for an Offer to Purchase. The Company will comply with Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent such laws and regulations conflict with the provisions for such Offer to Purchase, the Company will comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached its obligations with respect to such Offer to Purchase by virtue thereof.

"Opinion of Counsel" means an opinion from legal counsel who is reasonably acceptable to the Trustee, that meets the requirements of Section 12.5 hereof. The counsel may be an employee of or counsel to the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company.

"Pari Passu Indebtedness" means all Indebtedness of the Company ranking pari passu in right of payment with the Notes.

"Permitted Investment" means (i) an Investment in the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary or a Person which will, upon the making of such Investment, become a Restricted Subsidiary or be merged or consolidated with or into or transfer or convey all or substantially all its assets to, the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary; provided that such person's primary business is related. ancillary or complementary to the businesses of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries on the date of such Investment; (ii) an Investment by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary in a joint venture, in which the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary holds 50% of the outstanding equity interests, with another operator of retail facilities for the purpose of developing, acquiring or constructing properties which include restaurant operations, provided that the aggregate amount of such Investments does not exceed \$50,000,000 plus the net reduction in such Investments; provided further, that (A) the consent of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary is required for such joint venture to effect any material transactions, including the acquisition and sale of assets, incurrence of debt and significant capital commitments and (B) such joint venture will not create or otherwise cause or suffer to exist or become effective any consensual encumbrance or restriction which would unreasonably restrict the ability of the joint venture to distribute to its owners the net cash flow of the joint venture; (iii) Temporary Cash Investments; (iv) payroll, travel and similar advances to cover matters that are expected at the time of such advances ultimately to be treated as expenses in accordance with GAAP; (v) stock, obligations or securities received in satisfaction of judgments or good faith settlement of litigation, disputes or other debts; (vi) Interest Rate Agreements and Currency Agreements designed solely to protect the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries against fluctuations in interest rates or foreign currency exchange rates; (vii) Investments in any Person the primary business of which is related, ancillary or complementary to the businesses of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries; provided that the aggregate amount of such Investments does not exceed \$25,000,000 plus the net reductions in such Investments; (viii) Investments in prepaid expenses, negotiable instruments held for collection and lease, utility, workers' compensation and other similar deposits; (ix) documented loans on commercially reasonable terms to franchisees of the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$20,000,000 at any time outstanding; (x) Investments made as a result of the receipt of non-cash consideration from an Asset Sale that was made in compliance with Section 4.14; (xi) Investments acquired solely for Capital Stock (other than Disgualified Stock) of the Company; (xii) Advances and loans to employees in the ordinary course of business not exceeding \$2,000,000 in the aggregate at any one time outstanding; (xiii) Investments in Common Stock of Rally's Hamburgers, Inc. ("Rally's") or Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc. ("Checkers") which are acquired through the exercise of warrants held on the Closing Date by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary, provided that the aggregate amount of such Investment does not exceed \$11,000,000; and (xiv) Investments in the form of guarantees by the Company purchase or remodeling of a retail unit of such franchisee or capital expenditures of such franchisee; provided that such obligations of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiary are permitted under Section 4.7.

"Permitted Junior Securities" means Capital Stock of the Company or any Subsidiary Guarantor or debt securities of the Company or any Subsidiary Guarantor that are subordinated to all Senior Indebtedness (and any debt securities issued in exchange for Senior Indebtedness) to substantially the same extent as, or to a greater extent than, the Notes are subordinated to Senior Indebtedness pursuant to this Indenture.

"Permitted Lien" means (i) Liens securing Senior Indebtedness; (ii) Liens existing on the date of this Indenture; (iii) Liens for taxes, assessments or governmental charges or claims which are not yet delinguent or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings promptly instituted and diligently conducted and if a reserve or other appropriate provision, if any, as shall be required in conformity with GAAP shall have been made therefore, (iv) statutory Liens or landlords', carriers', warehousemen's, mechanics', suppliers', materialmen's, repairmen's or other like Liens arising in the ordinary course of business and with respect to amounts not yet delinquent or being contested in good faith by appropriate process of law, if a reserve or other appropriate provisions, if any, as shall be required by GAAP shall have been made therefore; (v) Liens (other than any Lien imposed by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended) incurred or deposits made in the ordinary course of business in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other types of social security; (vi) attachment or judgment Liens not giving rise to a Default or an Event of Default; (vii) easements, rights-of-way, restrictions and other similar charges or encumbrances not interfering with the ordinary conduct of the business of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries; (viii) leases or subleases granted to others not interfering with the ordinary conduct of the business of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries; (ix) title defects or irregularities which do not in the aggregate materially impair the use of the property; (x) Liens incurred or deposits made to secure the performance of tenders, bids, leases, statutory obligations, surety and appeal bonds, government contracts, performance and return-of-money bonds and other obligations of like nature incurred in the ordinary course of business (exclusive of obligations for the payment of borrowed money); (xi) Liens in favor of the Company or a Subsidiary Guarantor; (xii) any interest or title of a lessor under Capitalized Lease Obligations otherwise permitted under the Indenture; (xiii) Liens securing Acquired Indebtedness created prior to (and not in connection with or in contemplation of) the incurrence of such Indebtedness by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary; provided that such Lien does not extend to any property or assets of the Company or any Subsidiary other than the assets acquired in connection with the incurrence of such Acquired Indebtedness; and (xiv) extensions, renewals or refunding of any Liens referred to in clauses (i) through (xiii) above, provided that the renewal, extension or refunding is limited to all or part of the property securing the original Lien.

"Preferred Stock" means, with respect to any Person, any and all shares, interests, participations or other equivalents (however designated, whether voting or non-voting) of such

Person's preferred or preference stock, whether outstanding on the Closing Date or issued thereafter.

"Principals" means [Major Shareholder] and XYZ Limited Partnership so long as XYZ Limited Partnership is controlled solely by [Major Shareholder].

"QIB" means a "qualified institutional buyer" as defined in Rule 144A.

"Registration Rights Agreement" means the Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of the date of this Indenture, by and among the Company, the Subsidiary Guarantors and the Initial Purchasers, as such agreement may be amended, modified or supplemented from time to time and, with respect to any Additional Notes, one or more registration rights agreements between the Company and the other parties thereto, as such agreement(s) may be amended, modified or supplemented from time to time, relating to rights given by the Company to the purchasers of Additional Notes to register such Additional Notes under the Securities Act.

"Related Parties" means, with respect to any Principal: (i) any spouse, sibling, parent or lineal descendant of the Principal or any spouse of any sibling or lineal descendant; and (ii) any trust, corporation, partnership or other entity, the beneficiaries, stockholders, partners, owners or Persons beneficially holding an 80% or more controlling interest of which consist of one or more Principals and/or such other Persons referred to in clause (i) above.

"Representative" means the indenture trustee or other trustee, agent or representative for any Designated Senior Indebtedness.

"Restricted Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary of the Company other than an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

"Rule 144A" means Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Senior Indebtedness" means the following obligations of the Company or a Subsidiary Guarantor, whether outstanding on the Closing Date or thereafter Incurred: (i) all Indebtedness and all other monetary obligations (including, without limitation, expenses, fees, indemnifications, damages, principal, penalties, premiums, if any, interest (including any interest accruing subsequent to the date of the filing of a petition of bankruptcy at the rate provided for in the documentation with respect thereto, whether or not such interest is an allowed claim under applicable law), reimbursement obligations under letters of credit and indemnities payable in connection therewith and other liabilities payable) of the Company or a Subsidiary Guarantor under (or in respect of) the Credit Agreement or any Interest Rate Agreement or Currency Agreement relating to or otherwise in respect of the Indebtedness under the Credit Agreement whether outstanding on the Closing Date or thereafter created, incurred or assumed and (ii) all other Indebtedness and all other monetary obligations of the Company (other than the Notes) or a Subsidiary Guarantor, including principal and interest on such Indebtedness, unless, in the case of either clause (i) or (ii) hereof, such Indebtedness, by its terms or by the terms of any agreement or instrument pursuant to which such Indebtedness is issued, is subordinated in right of payment to any Senior Indebtedness of the Company or such Subsidiary Guarantor, or is subordinated in right of payment to, or pari passu with, the Notes or the Subsidiary Guarantees. as the case may be; provided that the term "Senior Indebtedness" shall not include (a) any Indebtedness of the Company or a Subsidiary Guarantor that, when Incurred, was without recourse to the Company or the Subsidiary Guarantor, as the case may be, (b) any Indebtedness of the Company to a Subsidiary or Affiliate of the Company, (c) any Indebtedness of the Company or a Subsidiary Guarantor, as the case may be, to the extent not permitted by Section 4.7 or Section 4.8, (d) any repurchase, redemption or other obligation in respect of Disgualified Stock, (e) any Indebtedness to any employee of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (f) any liability for taxes owed or owing by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, (g) any Trade Payables or (h) the Company's 4 1/4% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2004, which shall be subordinate in right of payment to the Notes.

"Significant Subsidiary" means, at any date of determination, any Restricted Subsidiary that, together with its Subsidiaries, (i) for the most recent fiscal year of the Company, accounted for more than 10% of the consolidated revenues of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries or (ii) as of the end of such fiscal year, was the owner of more than 10% of the consolidated assets

of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries, all as set forth on the most recently available consolidated financial statements of the Company for such fiscal year.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, and its successors.

"Stated Maturity" means, (i) with respect to any debt security, the date specified in such debt security as the fixed date on which the final installment of principal of such debt security is due and payable and (ii) with respect to any scheduled installment of principal of or interest on any debt security, the date specified in such debt security as the fixed date on which such installment is due and payable.

"Subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person: (i) any corporation, association, business trust or other business entity of which more than 50% of the voting power of the outstanding Voting Stock is owned, directly or indirectly, by such Person and one or more other Subsidiaries of such Person; and (ii) without limiting clause (i), any partnership (a) the sole general partner or the managing general partner of which is such Person or a Subsidiaries of such Person or (b) the only general partners of which are such Person or of one or more Subsidiaries of such Person (or any combination thereof).

"Subsidiary Guarantees" means the Guarantee by each Subsidiary Guarantor of the Company's payment obligations under this Indenture and on the Notes, executed pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture.

"Subsidiary Guarantors" means (i) each of the following Restricted Subsidiaries of the Company, which are the following entities: [Sub 1], Inc., a California corporation, [Sub 2], Inc., a California corporation, [Sub 3], Inc., a Delaware corporation, [Sub 4], Inc., a Delaware corporation; and (ii) any other Subsidiary that executes a Subsidiary Guarantee in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture, and their respective successors and assigns.

"Trade Payables" means, with respect to any Person, any accounts payable or any other indebtedness or monetary obligation to trade creditors created, assumed or Guaranteed by such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries arising in the ordinary course of business in connection with the acquisition of goods or services including, without limitation, obligations under (or in respect of) construction contracts (to the extent such obligations do not constitute Indebtedness for borrowed money).

"Transaction Date" means, with respect to the Incurrence of any Indebtedness by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, the date such Indebtedness is to be Incurred and, with respect to any Restricted Payment, the date such Restricted Payment is to be made.

"Trustee" means the party named as such above until a successor replaces it in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture and thereafter means the successor serving hereunder.

"Unrestricted Subsidiary" means (i) any Subsidiary of the Company that at the time of determination shall be designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary by the Board of Directors in the manner provided below and (ii) any Subsidiary of an Unrestricted Subsidiary. The Board of Directors may designate any Restricted Subsidiary (including any newly acquired or newly formed Subsidiary of the Company) to be an Unrestricted Subsidiary unless such Subsidiary owns any Capital Stock of, or owns or holds any Lien on any property of, the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary of any Indebtedness of the Subsidiary being so designated shall be deemed an "Incurrence" of such Indebtedness and an "Investment" by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary (or both, if applicable) at the time of such designation; (B) either (I) the Subsidiary to be so designated has total assets of \$1,000 or less or (II) if such Subsidiary has assets greater than \$1,000, such

designation would be permitted under Section 4.10; and (C) if applicable, the Incurrence of Indebtedness and the Investment referred to in clause (A) of this proviso would be permitted under Section 4.7 and Section 4.10. The Board of Directors may designate any Unrestricted Subsidiary to be a Restricted Subsidiary; provided that (i) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time of or after giving effect to such designation and (ii) all Liens and Indebtedness of such Unrestricted Subsidiary outstanding immediately after such designation would, if Incurred at such time, have been permitted to be Incurred (and shall be deemed to have been Incurred) for all purposes of this Indenture. Any such designation by the Board of Directors shall be evidenced to the Trustee by promptly filing with the Trustee a copy of the Board Resolution giving effect to such designation and an Officers' Certificate certifying that such designation complied with the foregoing provisions.

"U.S. Person" means a U.S. person as defined in Rule 902(o) under the Securities Act.

"Voting Stock" means with respect to any Person, Capital Stock of any class or kind ordinarily having the power to vote for the election of directors, managers or other voting members of the governing body of such Person.

"Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary" means, with respect to any Subsidiary of any Person, the ownership of all of the outstanding Capital Stock of such Subsidiary (other than any director's qualifying shares) by such Person or one or more Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries of such Person.

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# ARTICLE 4. Covenants

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SECTION 4.7. LIMITATION ON INDEBTEDNESS

(a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, Incur any Indebtedness (other than the Notes and the Subsidiary Guarantees issued on the Closing Date and any other Indebtedness existing on the Closing Date) and the Company shall not issue any Disqualified Stock and shall not permit its Restricted Subsidiaries to issue any shares of Preferred Stock; provided that the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary may Incur Indebtedness and the Company may issue Disqualified Stock and a Restricted Subsidiary may issue Preferred Stock if, after giving effect to the Incurrence of such Indebtedness or issuance of Disqualified Stock or issuance of Preferred Stock and the receipt and application of the proceeds therefrom, the Interest Coverage Ratio would be greater than 2.5:1.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company and any Restricted Subsidiary (except as specified below) may Incur each and all of the following:

(i) Indebtedness of the Company and its Subsidiaries under the Credit Agreement; provided that the aggregate principal amount of all Indebtedness outstanding under the Credit Agreement after giving effect to each such incurrence, including the principal amount of all Indebtedness incurred to refinance or replace any Indebtedness incurred pursuant to this clause (i), does not exceed \$500,000,000 less (A) the aggregate amount of all permanent principal repayments, if any (which are accompanied by a corresponding permanent commitment reduction), made from time to time after the Closing Date with

respect to such Indebtedness (other than repayments made in connection with a refinancing thereof) and (B) reductions in Indebtedness under the Credit Agreement resulting from the application of Asset Sale proceeds (which are accompanied by a corresponding permanent commitment reduction);

(ii) Indebtedness owed (A) by a Restricted Subsidiary to the Company; provided that if such Indebtedness exceeds \$1,000,000 it shall be evidenced by a promissory note or (B) by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary to any Restricted Subsidiary; provided that any event which results in any such Restricted Subsidiary ceasing to be a Restricted Subsidiary or any subsequent transfer of such Indebtedness (other than to the Company or another Restricted Subsidiary) shall be deemed, in each case, to constitute an Incurrence of such Indebtedness not permitted by this clause (ii);

(iii) Indebtedness issued in exchange for, or the net proceeds of which are used to refinance or refund, then outstanding Indebtedness (other than Indebtedness Incurred under clause (i), (ii) or (iv) of this paragraph) and any refinancings thereof in an amount not to exceed the amount so refinanced or refunded (plus premiums, accrued interest, fees and expenses); provided that Indebtedness the proceeds of which are used to refinance or refund the Notes or Indebtedness that is pari passu with, or subordinated in right of payment to, the Notes shall only be permitted under this clause (iii) if (A) in case the Notes are refinanced in part or the Indebtedness to be refinanced is pari passu with the Notes, such new Indebtedness, by its terms or by the terms of any agreement or instrument pursuant to which such new Indebtedness is outstanding, is expressly made pari passu with, or subordinate in right of payment to, the remaining Notes, (B) in case the Indebtedness to be refinanced is subordinated in right of payment to the Notes, such new Indebtedness, by its terms or by the terms of any agreement or instrument pursuant to which such new Indebtedness is issued or remains outstanding, is expressly made subordinate in right of payment to the Notes at least to the extent that the Indebtedness to be refinanced is subordinated to the Notes and (C) such new Indebtedness, determined as of the date of Incurrence of such new Indebtedness, does not mature prior to the Stated Maturity of the Indebtedness to be refinanced or refunded, and the Average Life of such new Indebtedness is at least equal to the remaining Average Life of the Indebtedness to be refinanced or refunded; and provided further that in no event may Indebtedness of the Company that is pari passu with or subordinated in right of payment to the Notes be refinanced by means of any Indebtedness of any Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to this clause (iii);

(iv) Indebtedness (A) in respect of performance, surety or appeal bonds provided in the ordinary course of business; (B) under Currency Agreements and Interest Rate Agreements; provided that such agreements (a) are designed solely to protect the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries against fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates or interest rates and (b) do not increase the Indebtedness of the obligor outstanding at any time other than as a result of fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates or interest rates or by reason of fees, indemnities and compensation payable thereunder; and (C) arising from agreements providing for indemnification, adjustment of purchase price or similar obligations, or from Guarantees or letters of credit, surety bonds or performance bonds securing any obligations of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries pursuant to such agreements, in any case Incurred in connection with the disposition of any business, assets or Restricted Subsidiary (other than Guarantees of Indebtedness Incurred by any Person acquiring all or any portion of such business, assets or Restricted Subsidiary for the purpose of financing such acquisition), in a principal amount not to exceed the gross proceeds actually received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in connection with such disposition;

(v) Indebtedness of the Company, to the extent the net proceeds thereof are promptly (A) used to purchase Notes tendered in an Offer to Purchase made as a result of a Change in Control or (B) deposited to defease the Notes under Article 8;

(vi) Indebtedness evidenced by letters of credit issued in the ordinary course of business of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary to secure workers' compensation and other insurance coverage;

(vii) Capitalized Lease Obligations secured by Liens described in paragraph (xii) of the definition of "Permitted Liens," provided, that the aggregate principal amount thereof incurred in any fiscal year, shall not exceed \$15,000,000; and

(viii) Indebtedness, in addition to Indebtedness permitted under clauses (i) through (vii) above, in an aggregate principal amount outstanding at any time not to exceed \$25,000,000 less any amount of such Indebtedness permanently repaid as provided under Section 4.14.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 4.7, the maximum amount of Indebtedness that the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary may Incur pursuant to this Section 4.7 shall not be deemed to be exceeded, with respect to any outstanding Indebtedness, due solely to the result of fluctuations in the exchange rates of currencies.

(c) For purposes of determining any particular amount of Indebtedness under this Section 4.7, (1) Indebtedness Incurred under the Credit Agreement shall first be treated as Incurred pursuant to clause (i) of the second paragraph of Section 4.7(a) to the full extent of Indebtedness permitted under such clause (it being understood that additional principal amounts of Indebtedness under the Credit Agreement may be incurred to the full extent permitted under any other provision of this Indenture), (2) Guarantees, Liens or obligations with respect to letters of credit supporting Indebtedness otherwise included in the determination of such particular amount shall not be included and (3) any Liens granted pursuant to the equal and ratable provisions referred to in Section 4.7, in the event that an item of Indebtedness meets the criteria of more than one of the types of Indebtedness described in the above clauses (other than Indebtedness referred to in clause (1) of the preceding sentence), the Company, in its sole discretion, shall classify, and from time to time may reclassify, such item of Indebtedness and only be required to include the amount and type of such Indebtedness in one of such clauses.

SECTION 4.8. LIMITATION ON SENIOR SUBORDINATED INDEBTEDNESS

The Company shall not Incur any Indebtedness that is subordinate in right of payment to any Senior Indebtedness unless such Indebtedness is pari passu with, or subordinated in right of payment to, the Notes. No Subsidiary Guarantor shall Incur any Indebtedness that is subordinate in right of payment to any Senior Indebtedness unless such Indebtedness is pari passu with, or subordinated in right of payment to, any Subsidiary Guarantee executed by the Subsidiary Guarantor.

#### SECTION 4.9. LIMITATION ON LIENS

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien of any kind securing Indebtedness or trade payables on any asset now owned or hereafter acquired, except Permitted Liens, unless the Indebtedness under the Notes and the Subsidiary Guarantees are secured on an equal and ratable basis with the Indebtedness secured.

SECTION 4.10. LIMITATION ON RESTRICTED PAYMENTS

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, (i) declare or pay any dividend or make any distribution on or with respect to its Capital Stock (other than (x) dividends or distributions payable solely in shares of its Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) or in options, warrants or other rights to acquire shares of such Capital Stock and (y) pro rata dividends or distributions on Common Stock of Restricted Subsidiaries held by minority stockholders) held by Persons other than the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, (ii) purchase, redeem, retire or otherwise acquire for value any shares of Capital Stock of (A) the Company or an Unrestricted Subsidiary (including options, warrants or other rights to acquire such shares of Capital Stock) held by any Person or (B) a Restricted Subsidiary (including options, warrants or other rights to acquire such shares of Capital Stock) held by any Affiliate of the Company (other than a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary) or any holder (or any Affiliate of such holder) of 5% or more of the Capital Stock of the Company, (iii) make any voluntary or optional principal payment, or voluntary or optional redemption, repurchase, defeasance, or other acquisition or retirement for value, of Indebtedness of the Company that is pari passu with or subordinated in right of payment to the Notes or the Subsidiary Guarantees or (iv) make any Investment, other than a Permitted Investment, in any Person (such payments or any other actions described in clauses (i) through (iv) above being collectively "Restricted Payments") if, at the time of, and after giving effect to, the proposed Restricted Payment: (A) a Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, (B) the Company could not Incur at least \$1.00 of Indebtedness under the first paragraph of the Section 4.7(a) or (C) the aggregate amount of all Restricted Payments (the amount, if other than in cash, to be determined in good faith by the Board of Directors, whose determination shall be conclusive and evidenced by a Board Resolution) made after the Closing Date shall exceed the sum of (1) 50% of the aggregate amount of the Adjusted Consolidated Net Income (or, if the Adjusted Consolidated Net Income is a loss, minus 100% of the amount of such loss) (determined by excluding income resulting from transfers of assets by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary to an Unrestricted Subsidiary) accrued on a cumulative basis during the period (taken as one accounting period) beginning on November 3, 1998 and ending on the last day of the last fiscal quarter preceding the Transaction Date for which reports have been filed with the Commission or provided to the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.3; plus (2) the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds received by the Company after the Closing Date from the issuance and sale permitted by this Indenture of its Capital Stock (other than Disgualified Stock) to a Person who is not a Subsidiary of the Company, including an issuance or sale permitted by this Indenture of Indebtedness of the Company for cash subsequent to the Closing Date upon the conversion of such Indebtedness into Capital Stock (other than Disgualified Stock) of the Company, or from the issuance to a Person who is not a Subsidiary of the Company of any options, warrants or other rights to acquire Capital Stock of the Company (in each case, exclusive of any Disqualified Stock or any options, warrants or other rights that are redeemable at the option of the holder, or are required to be redeemed, prior to the 91st day following the Stated Maturity of the Notes); plus (3) an amount equal to the net reduction in Investments (other than reductions in Permitted Investments) in any Person resulting from payments of interest on Indebtedness, dividends, repayments of loans or advances, or other transfers of assets, in each case to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary or from the Net Cash Proceeds from the sale of any such Investment (except, in each case, to the extent any such payment or proceeds are included in the calculation of Adjusted Consolidated Net Income). or from redesignations of Unrestricted Subsidiaries as Restricted Subsidiaries (valued in each case as provided in the definition of "Investments"), not to exceed, in each case, the amount of Investments previously made by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in such Person or Unrestricted Subsidiary.

The foregoing provision shall not be violated by reason of (i) the payment of any dividend within 60 days after the date of declaration thereof if, at said date of declaration, such payment would comply with the foregoing paragraph; (ii) the redemption, repurchase, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value of Indebtedness that is pari passu with or subordinated in right of payment to the Notes including premium, if any, and accrued and unpaid interest, with the proceeds of, or in exchange for, Indebtedness Incurred under clause (iii) of the second paragraph of Section 4.7(a); (iii) the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition of Capital Stock of the

Company or an Unrestricted Subsidiary (or options, warrants or other rights to acquire such Capital Stock) in exchange for, or out of the proceeds of a substantially concurrent offering of. shares of Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Company (or options, warrants or other rights to acquire such Capital Stock); (iv) the making of any principal payment or the repurchase, redemption, retirement, defeasance or other acquisition for value of Indebtedness of the Company which is subordinated in right of payment to the Notes in exchange for, or out of the proceeds of, a substantially concurrent offering of, shares of the Capital Stock (other than Disgualified Stock) of the Company (or options, warrants or other rights to acquire such Capital Stock) or upon conversion of such Indebtedness to such shares of Capital Stock; (v) payments or distributions to dissenting stockholders pursuant to applicable law pursuant to or in connection with a consolidation, merger or transfer of assets that complies with the provisions of this Indenture applicable to mergers, consolidations and transfers of all or substantially all of the property and assets of the Company; (vi) payments of amounts required for any repurchase, redemption, retirement or other acquisition of any Capital Stock of the Company or any options or rights to acquire such Capital Stock of the Company owned by any director, officer or employee of the Company or its Subsidiaries pursuant to any management equity subscription agreement, stock option agreement or similar agreement, or otherwise upon the death, disability, retirement or termination of employment or departure from the Board of Directors of the Company; provided that the aggregate price paid for all such repurchased, redeemed, retired or acquired Capital Stock of the Company or options shall not exceed in the aggregate \$2,000,000; (vii) the payment of regular dividends of the Company payable on its Common Stock for the eight fiscal guarters following the Closing Date at a per annum rate not to exceed \$.08 per share, adjusted for stock splits, reverse stock splits, dividends and distributions of Capital Stock, distributions of rights, options and warrants, reclassifications of Capital Stock and recapitalizations with respect to Capital Stock; or (viii) other Restricted Payments in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$75,000,000; provided that, except in the case of clauses (i) and (iii), no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or occur as a consequence of the actions or payments set forth therein.

Each Restricted Payment permitted pursuant to the preceding paragraph (other than the Restricted Payment referred to in clause (ii) thereof, an exchange of Capital Stock for Capital Stock or Indebtedness referred to in clause (iii) or (iv) thereof and a Restricted Payment referred to in clause (viii) thereof which involves an Investment), and the Net Cash Proceeds from any issuance of Capital Stock referred to in clauses (iii) and (iv), shall be included in calculating whether the conditions of clause (C) of the first paragraph of this Section 4.10 have been met with respect to any subsequent Restricted Payments. In the event the proceeds of an issuance of Capital Stock of the Company are used for the redemption, repurchase or other acquisition of the Notes, or Indebtedness that is pari passu with the Notes, then the Net Cash Proceeds of such issuance shall be included in clause (C) of the first paragraph of this Section 4.10 only to the extent such proceeds are not used for such redemption, repurchase or other acquisition of Indebtedness.

# SECTION 4.11. LIMITATION ON DIVIDENDS AND OTHER PAYMENT RESTRICTIONS AFFECTING RESTRICTED SUBSIDIARIES

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, create or otherwise cause or suffer to exist or become effective any consensual encumbrance or restriction of any kind on the ability of any Restricted Subsidiary to (i) pay dividends or make any other distributions permitted by applicable law on any Capital Stock of such Restricted Subsidiary owned by the Company or any other Restricted Subsidiary (ii) pay any Indebtedness owed to the Company or any other Restricted Subsidiary, (iii) make loans or advances to the Company or any other Restricted Subsidiary or (iv) transfer any of its property or assets to the Company or any other Restricted Subsidiary.

The foregoing provisions shall not restrict any encumbrances or restrictions: (i) existing on the Closing Date in the Credit Agreement, this Indenture or any other agreements in effect on the

Closing Date, and any modifications, extensions, refinancings, renewals, substitutions or replacements of such agreements; provided that the encumbrances and restrictions in any such modifications, extensions, refinancings, renewals, substitutions or replacements are no less favorable in any material respect to the Holders than those encumbrances or restrictions that are then in effect and that are being modified, extended, refinanced, renewed, substituted or replaced; (ii) existing under or by reason of applicable law; (iii) existing with respect to any Person or the property or assets of such Person acquired by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary. existing at the time of such acquisition and not incurred in contemplation thereof, which encumbrances or restrictions are not applicable to any Person or the property or assets of any Person other than such Person or the property or assets of such Person so acquired; (iv) in the case of clause (iv) of the first paragraph of this Section 4.11 (A) that restrict in a customary manner the subletting, assignment or transfer of any property or asset that is a lease, license, conveyance or contract or similar property or asset, (B) existing by virtue of any transfer of, agreement to transfer, option or right with respect to, or Lien on, any property or assets of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary not otherwise prohibited by this Indenture or (C) arising or agreed to in the ordinary course of business, not relating to any Indebtedness, and that do not, individually or in the aggregate, detract from the value of property or assets of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in any manner material to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary; (v) with respect to a Restricted Subsidiary and imposed pursuant to an agreement that has been entered into for the sale or disposition of all or substantially all of the Capital Stock of, or property and assets of, such Restricted Subsidiary; or (vi) contained in the terms of any Indebtedness or any agreement pursuant to which such Indebtedness was issued if (A) the encumbrance or restriction applies only in the event of a payment default or a default with respect to a financial covenant contained in such Indebtedness or agreement (other than a covenant directly or indirectly including such encumbrance or restriction itself), (B) the encumbrance or restriction is not materially more disadvantageous to the Holders of the Notes than is customary in comparable financings and (C) the Company determines that any such encumbrance or restriction will not materially affect the Company's ability to make principal or interest payments on the Notes. Nothing contained in this Section 4.11 shall prevent the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary from (1) creating, incurring, assuming or suffering to exist any Liens otherwise permitted in Section 4.9 or (2) restricting the sale or other disposition

#### SECTION 4.12. ADDITIONAL SUBSIDIARY GUARANTEES

If the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries shall acquire or create another Restricted Subsidiary after the date of this Indenture, then such newly acquired or created Restricted Subsidiary shall execute a Subsidiary Guarantee substantially in the form of Exhibit E hereto and deliver an Opinion of Counsel (in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee regarding the due authorization, execution and delivery of the Subsidiary Guarantee) pursuant to which such Subsidiary shall become a Subsidiary Guarantor, on a senior subordinated basis (pursuant to subordination provisions substantially similar to those described in Article 11 and Section 10.7), of the Company's payment obligations under the Notes and the Indenture.

# SECTION 4.13. LIMITATION ON TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES AND CERTAIN STOCKHOLDERS

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, enter into, renew or extend any transaction (including, without limitation, the purchase, sale, lease or exchange of property or assets, or the rendering of any service) with any holder (or any Affiliate of such holder) of 5% or more of any class of Capital Stock of the Company or with any Affiliate of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, except upon fair and reasonable terms no less favorable to the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary than could be obtained, at the time of such transaction or, if such transaction is pursuant to a written agreement, at the time of the execution of the agreement providing therefore, in a comparable arm's-length transaction with a Person that is not such a holder or an Affiliate.

The foregoing limitation does not limit, and shall not apply to (i) transactions (A) approved by a majority of the disinterested members of the Board of Directors or (B) for which the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary delivers to the Trustee a written opinion of a nationally recognized investment banking firm stating that the transaction is fair to the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary from a financial point of view; (ii) any transaction solely between the Company and any of its Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries or solely between Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries: (iii) customary directors' fees, indemnification and similar arrangements, employee salaries and bonuses, employment agreements and arrangements or compensation or employee benefit arrangements (including options) in the ordinary course of business; (iv) any payments or other transactions pursuant to any tax-sharing agreement between the Company and any other Person with which the Company files a consolidated tax return or with which the Company is part of a consolidated group for tax purposes; (v) loans or advances to officers or employees of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary made in the ordinary course of business of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary to pay business related travel expenses or reasonable relocation costs of such officers or employees in connection with their employment by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary; (vi) any Restricted Payments not prohibited by Section 4.10; and (vii) transactions relating to or arising from service relationships or expense-sharing arrangements with [affiliated companies] and their respective subsidiaries in effect on the Closing Date, provided that such arrangements do not involve the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary providing goods and services for an amount below the Company's or such Restricted Subsidiary's incremental cost thereof. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any transaction or series of related transactions covered by the first paragraph of this Section 4.13 and not covered by clauses (ii) through (vii) of this paragraph, (a) the aggregate amount of which exceeds \$2,000,000 in value, must be approved or determined to be fair in the manner provided for in clause (i)(A) or (B) above and (b) the aggregate amount of which exceeds \$10,000,000 in value must be determined to be fair in the manner provided for in clause (i)(B) above.

#### SECTION 4.14. LIMITATION ON ASSET SALES

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, consummate any Asset Sale, unless (i) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary receives consideration at least equal to the Fair Market Value of the assets sold or disposed of and (ii) at least 75% of the consideration (excluding contingent liabilities assumed by the transferee of such assets) received consists of cash or Temporary Cash Investments or the assumption of Senior Indebtedness of the Company or a Subsidiary Guarantor, provided that the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary is irrevocably released from all liability under such Indebtedness. In the event and to the extent that the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries receive the Net Cash Proceeds from one or more Asset Sales, then the Company shall or shall cause the relevant Restricted Subsidiary to (i) within 12 months after the date Net Cash Proceeds so received (A) apply an amount equal to such excess Net Cash Proceeds to permanently repay (which is accompanied by a corresponding permanent commitment reduction) Senior Indebtedness of the Company or a Subsidiary Guarantor or (B) invest an equal amount, or the amount not so applied pursuant to clause (A) (or enter into a definitive agreement committing to so invest within 12 months after the date of such agreement), in property or assets (other than current assets) of a nature or type or that are used in a business (or in a company having property and assets of a nature or type, or engaged in a business) similar or related to the nature or type of the property and assets of, or the business of, the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries existing on the date of such investment and (ii) apply (no later than the end of the 12-month period referred to in clause (i) above such excess Net Cash Proceeds (to the extent not applied pursuant to clause (i)) as provided in the following paragraph of this Section 4.14. The amount of such excess Net Cash Proceeds required to be applied (or to be committed to be applied) during such 12-month period as set forth in clause (i) of the preceding sentence and not applied as so required by the end of such period shall constitute "Excess Proceeds."

If, as of the first day of any calendar month, the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds not theretofore subject to an Offer to Purchase pursuant to this Section 4.14 totals at least

\$5,000,000, the Company must commence, not later than the fifteenth Business Day of such month, an Offer to Purchase to the Holders of the Notes and, to the extent required by the terms of any Pari Passu Indebtedness, an Offer to Purchase to all holders of such Pari Passu Indebtedness, the maximum principal amount of Notes and any such Pari Passu Indebtedness that may be purchased out of the Excess Proceeds, at an offer price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof, plus, in each case, accrued and unpaid interest and Additional Interest, if any, to the Payment Date. If the aggregate principal amount of Notes and any such Pari Passu Indebtedness tendered by holders thereof exceeds the amount of Excess Proceeds, the Notes and Pari Passu Indebtedness shall be purchased on a pro rata basis. Upon the completion of any such Offers to Purchase, the amount of Excess Proceeds shall be reset at zero.

SECTION 4.15. REPURCHASE OF NOTES UPON A CHANGE OF CONTROL

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, the Company shall make an offer an Offer to Purchase to each Holder to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$1,000 or an integral multiple thereof) of each Holder's Notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest and Additional Interest, if any, to the Payment Date.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 4.15, the Company shall not be required to make an Offer to Purchase upon a Change of Control if a third party makes an Offer to Purchase in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements set forth in this Section 4.15 hereof and all other provisions of this Indenture applicable to an Offer to Purchase made by the Company and purchases all Notes validly tendered and not withdrawn under such Offer to Purchase.

#### SECTION 4.16. PAYMENTS FOR CONSENTS

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, pay or cause to be paid any consideration to or for the benefit of any Holder for or as an inducement to any consent, waiver or amendment of any of the terms or provisions of the Indenture or the Notes unless such consideration is offered to be paid and is paid to all Holders that consent, waive or agree to amend in the time frame set forth in the solicitation documents relating to such consent, waiver or agreement.

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### ARTICLE 10. SUBSIDIARY GUARANTEES

#### SECTION 10.1. SUBSIDIARY GUARANTEES.

Subject to this Article 10, each of the Subsidiary Guarantors hereby, jointly and severally, unconditionally guarantees to each Holder of a Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee and to the Trustee and its successors and assigns, irrespective of the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes or the obligations of the Company hereunder or thereunder, that: (a) the principal of and interest on the Notes will be promptly paid in full when due, whether at maturity, by acceleration, redemption or otherwise, and interest on the overdue principal of and interest on the Notes will be promptly paid in full or performed, all in accordance with the terms hereof and thereof; and (b) in case of any extension of time of payment or renewal of any Notes or any of such other obligations, that same will be promptly paid in full when due or performed in accordance with the terms of the extension or renewal, whether at stated maturity,

by acceleration or otherwise. Failing payment when due of any amount so guaranteed or any performance so guaranteed for whatever reason, the Subsidiary Guarantors shall be jointly and severally obligated to pay the same immediately. Each Subsidiary Guarantor agrees that this is a guarantee of payment and not a guarantee of collection.

The Subsidiary Guarantors hereby agree that their obligations hereunder shall be unconditional, irrespective of the validity, regularity or enforceability of the Notes or this

Indenture, the absence of any action to enforce the same, any waiver or consent by any Holder of the Notes with respect to any provisions hereof or thereof, the recovery of any judgment against the Company, any action to enforce the same or any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a legal or equitable discharge or defense of a Subsidiary Guarantor. Each Subsidiary Guarantor hereby waives diligence, presentment, demand of payment, filing of claims with a court in the event of insolvency or bankruptcy of the Company, any right to require a proceeding first against the Company, protest, notice and all demands whatsoever and covenants that this Subsidiary Guarantee shall not be discharged except by complete performance of the obligations contained in the Notes and this Indenture.

If any Holder or the Trustee is required by any court or otherwise to return to the Company, the Subsidiary Guarantors or any custodian, trustee, liquidator or other similar official acting in relation to either the Company or the Subsidiary Guarantors, any amount paid by either to the Trustee or such Holder, this Subsidiary Guarantee, to the extent theretofore discharged, shall be reinstated in full force and effect.

Each Subsidiary Guarantor agrees that it shall not be entitled to any right of subrogation in relation to the Holders in respect of any obligations guaranteed hereby until payment in full of all obligations guaranteed hereby. Each Subsidiary Guarantor further agrees that, as between the Subsidiary Guarantors, on the one hand, and the Holders and the Trustee, on the other hand, (x) the maturity of the obligations guaranteed hereby may be accelerated as provided in Article 6 hereof for the purposes of this Subsidiary Guarantee, notwithstanding any stay, injunction or other prohibition preventing such acceleration in respect of the obligations guaranteed hereby, and (y) in the event of any declaration of acceleration of such obligations as provided in Article 6 hereof, such obligations (whether or not due and payable) shall forthwith become due and payable by the Subsidiary Guarantors for the purpose of this Subsidiary Guarantee. The Subsidiary Guarantors shall have the right to seek contribution from any non-paying Subsidiary Guarantee.

SECTION 10.2. SUBORDINATION OF SUBSIDIARY GUARANTEE.

The Obligations of each Subsidiary Guarantor under its Subsidiary Guarantee pursuant to this Article 10 shall be junior and subordinated to the Senior Indebtedness of such Subsidiary Guarantor on the same basis as the Notes are junior and subordinated to Senior Indebtedness of the Company. For the purposes of the foregoing sentence, the Trustee and the Holders shall have the right to receive and/or retain payments by any of the Subsidiary Guarantors only at such times as they may receive and/or retain payments in respect of the Notes pursuant to this Indenture, including Article 11 hereof.

SECTION 10.3. LIMITATION ON SUBSIDIARY GUARANTOR LIABILITY.

Each Subsidiary Guarantor, and by its acceptance of Notes, each Holder, hereby confirms that it is the intention of all such parties that the Subsidiary Guarantee of such Subsidiary Guarantor not constitute a fraudulent transfer or conveyance for purposes of Bankruptcy Law, the Uniform Fraudulent Conveyance Act, the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act or any similar federal or state law to the extent applicable to any Subsidiary Guarantee. To effectuate the foregoing intention, the Trustee, the Holders and the Subsidiary Guarantors hereby irrevocably agree that the obligations of such Subsidiary Guarantor will, after giving effect to such maximum amount and all other contingent and fixed liabilities of such Subsidiary Guarantor that are relevant under such laws, and after giving effect to any collections from, rights to receive contribution from or payments made by or on behalf of any other Subsidiary Guarantor in respect of the obligations of such other Subsidiary Guarantor under this Article 10, result in the obligations of such Subsidiary Guarantor under its Subsidiary Guarantee not constituting a fraudulent transfer or conveyance.

#### SECTION 10.4. EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF SUBSIDIARY GUARANTEE.

To evidence its Subsidiary Guarantee set forth in Section 10.1, each Subsidiary Guarantor hereby agrees that a notation of such Subsidiary Guarantee substantially in the form included in Exhibit E shall be endorsed by an Officer of such Subsidiary Guarantor on each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee and that this Indenture shall be executed on behalf of such Subsidiary Guarantor by its President or one of its Vice Presidents.

Each Subsidiary Guarantor hereby agrees that its Subsidiary Guarantee set forth in Section 10.1 shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding any failure to endorse on each Note a notation of such Subsidiary Guarantee.

If an Officer whose signature is on this Indenture or on the Subsidiary Guarantee no longer holds that office at the time the Trustee authenticates the Note on which a Subsidiary Guarantee is endorsed, the Subsidiary Guarantee shall be valid nevertheless.

The delivery of any Note by the Trustee, after the authentication thereof hereunder, shall constitute due delivery of the Subsidiary Guarantee set forth in this Indenture on behalf of the Subsidiary Guarantors.

In the event that the Company creates or acquires any new Subsidiaries subsequent to the date of this Indenture, if required by Section 4.12 hereof, the Company shall cause such Subsidiaries to execute supplemental indentures to this Indenture and Subsidiary Guarantees in accordance with Section 4.12 hereof and this Article 10, to the extent applicable.

SECTION 10.5. SUBSIDIARY GUARANTORS MAY CONSOLIDATE, ETC., ON CERTAIN TERMS.

Except as otherwise provided in Section 10.5, no Subsidiary Guarantor may consolidate with or merge with or into (whether or not such Subsidiary Guarantor is the surviving Person) another Person whether or not affiliated with such Subsidiary Guarantor unless:

(a) subject to Section 10.5 hereof, the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than a Subsidiary Guarantor or the Company) unconditionally assumes all the obligations of such Subsidiary Guarantor, pursuant to a supplemental indenture in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, under the Notes, the Indenture and the Subsidiary Guarantee on the terms set forth herein or therein; and

(b) immediately after giving effect to such transaction, no Default or Event of Default exists and;

(c) except in the case of a merger of a Subsidiary Guarantor with and into the Company or another Subsidiary Guarantor, the Company would be permitted by virtue of the Company's pro forma Interest Coverage Ratio, immediately after giving effect to such transaction, to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the Interest Coverage Ratio test set forth in Section 4.7.

In case of any such consolidation, merger, sale or conveyance and upon the assumption by the successor Person, by supplemental indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee and satisfactory in form to the Trustee, of the Subsidiary Guarantee endorsed upon the Notes and the

due and punctual performance of all of the covenants and conditions of this Indenture to be performed by the Subsidiary Guarantor, such successor Person shall succeed to and be substituted for the Subsidiary Guarantor with the same effect as if it had been named herein as a Subsidiary Guarantor. Such successor Person thereupon may cause to be signed any or all of the Subsidiary Guarantees to be endorsed upon all of the Notes issuable hereunder which theretofore shall not have been signed by the Company and delivered to the Trustee. All the Subsidiary Guarantees so issued shall in all respects have the same legal rank and benefit under this Indenture as the Subsidiary Guarantees theretofore and thereafter issued in accordance with the terms of this Indenture as though all of such Subsidiary Guarantees had been issued at the date of the execution hereof.

#### SECTION 10.6. RELEASES FOLLOWING SALE OF ASSETS.

In the event of (i) a sale or other disposition of all of the assets of any Subsidiary Guarantor, by way of merger, consolidation or otherwise, (ii) a sale or other disposition of all of the capital stock of any Subsidiary Guarantor or (iii) the designation of any Subsidiary Guarantor as an Unrestricted Subsidiary in accordance with the Indenture, in each case to a Person that is not (either before or after giving effect to such transactions) a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company, then such Subsidiary Guarantor (in the event of a sale or other disposition, by way of merger, consolidation or otherwise, of all of the capital stock of such Subsidiary Guarantor) or the corporation acquiring the property (in the event of a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of such Subsidiary Guarantor) will be released and relieved of any obligations under its Subsidiary Guarantee; provided that the Net Proceeds of such sale or other disposition are applied in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture, including without limitation Section 4.14 hereof. Upon delivery by the Company to the Trustee of an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that such sale or other disposition was made by the Company in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture, including without limitation Section 4.14 hereof, the Trustee shall execute any documents reasonably required in order to evidence the release of any Subsidiary Guarantor from its obligations under its Subsidiary Guarantee. Any Subsidiary Guarantor not released from its obligations under its Subsidiary Guarantee shall remain liable for the full amount of principal of and interest on the Notes and for the other obligations of any Subsidiary Guarantor under this Indenture as provided in this Article 10.

### ARTICLE 11. SUBORDINATION

#### SECTION 11.1. AGREEMENT TO SUBORDINATE

The Company agrees, and each Holder by accepting a Note agrees, that the Indebtedness (including but not limited to the payment of principal of and premium, interest and Additional Interest, if any) evidenced by the Notes is subordinated in right of payment, to the extent and in the manner provided in this Article 11, to the prior payment in full in cash of all Senior Indebtedness (whether outstanding on the date hereof or hereafter created, incurred, assumed or guaranteed), and that the subordination is for the benefit of the holders of Senior Indebtedness.

#### SECTION 11.2. LIQUIDATION; DISSOLUTION; BANKRUPTCY

Upon any distribution to creditors of the Company in a liquidation, winding up or dissolution of the Company or in a bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, receivership or similar proceeding relating to the Company or its property, an assignment for the benefit of creditors or any marshaling of the Company's assets and liabilities:

(i) the holders of Senior Indebtedness will be entitled to receive payment in full in cash of all Obligations due in respect of such Senior Indebtedness (including interest after the commencement of any such proceeding at the rate specified in the applicable Senior Indebtedness whether or not allowed or allowable as a claim in any such proceeding) before the Holders of Notes will be entitled to receive any payment or distribution of any kind (except that Holders of Notes may receive (A) Permitted Junior Securities and (B) payments and other distributions made from any defeasance trust previously established pursuant to Section 8.1 hereof) with respect to the Notes; and

(ii) until all Obligations with respect to Senior Indebtedness (as provided in clause (i) above) are paid in full in cash, any distribution to which Holders would be entitled (whether by reason of payment, set-off, redemption or subordination provisions or otherwise) but for this Article 11 shall be made to holders of Senior Indebtedness (except that Holders of Notes may receive (A) Permitted Junior Securities and (B) payments and other distributions made from any defeasance trust previously established pursuant to Section 8.1 hereof), as their interests may appear.

#### SECTION 11.3. DEFAULT ON DESIGNATED SENIOR INDEBTEDNESS

(a) The Company may not make any payment or distribution to the Trustee or any Holder in respect of Obligations with respect to the Notes and may not acquire from the Trustee or any Holder any Notes for cash or property (other than (A) Permitted Junior Securities and (B) payments and other distributions made from any defeasance trust created pursuant to Section 8.1 hereof) if:

(i) a default in the payment of any principal of, premium, if any, or interest on or other Obligations with respect to Designated Senior Indebtedness occurs and is continuing beyond any applicable grace period in the agreement, indenture or other document governing such Designated Senior Indebtedness; or

(ii) a default, other than a payment default, on Designated Senior Indebtedness occurs and is continuing that then permits holders of the Designated Senior Indebtedness to accelerate its maturity and the Trustee receives a notice of the default (a "Payment Blockage Notice") from the holders of any Designated Senior Indebtedness or a representative thereof. If the Trustee receives any such Payment Blockage Notice, no subsequent Payment Blockage Notice shall be effective for purposes of this Section unless and until at least 360 days shall have elapsed since the effectiveness of the immediately prior Payment Blockage Notice. No nonpayment default that existed or was continuing on the date of delivery of any Payment Blockage Notice to the Trustee shall be, or be made, the basis for a subsequent Payment Blockage Notice unless such default shall have been cured or waived for a period of not less than 90 days (it being acknowledged that any subsequent action or breach of any financial covenants for a period commencing after the date of commencement of such blockage period that, in either case would give rise to an event of default pursuant to any provisions under which an event of default previously existed or was continuing shall constitute a new event of default for this purpose).

(b) The Company may and shall resume payments on and distributions in respect of the Notes and may acquire them:

(i) in the case of a payment default, the date upon which the default is cured or waived in writing, or

(ii) in the case of a default referred to in clause (ii) of Section 11.3(a) hereof, the earlier of the date upon which the default is cured or waived in writing or 179 days after the date on which the applicable Payment Blockage Notice is received, unless the maturity of any

Designated Senior Indebtedness has been accelerated, if this Article 11 otherwise permits the payment, distribution or acquisition at the time of such payment or acquisition.

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#### SECTION 11.7. SUBROGATION

After all Senior Indebtedness is paid in full and until the Notes are paid in full, Holders shall be subrogated (equally and ratably with all other Indebtedness pari passu with the Notes) to the rights of holders of Senior Indebtedness to receive distributions applicable to Senior Indebtedness to the extent that distributions otherwise payable to the Holders have been applied to the payment of Senior Indebtedness. A distribution made under this Article to holders of Senior Indebtedness that otherwise would have been made to Holders is not, as between the Company and Holders, a payment by the Company on the Notes.

#### SECTION 11.8. RELATIVE RIGHTS

This Article defines the relative rights of Holders and holders of Senior Indebtedness. Nothing in this Indenture shall: (1) impair, as between the Company and Holders, the obligation of the Company, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay principal of and interest on the Notes in accordance with their terms; (2) affect the relative rights of Holders and creditors of the Company other than their rights in relation to holders of Senior Indebtedness; or (3) prevent the Trustee or any Holder from exercising its available remedies upon a Default or Event of Default, subject to the rights of holders and owners of Senior Indebtedness to receive distributions and payments otherwise payable to Holders. If the Company fails because of this Article to pay principal of or interest on a Note on the due date, the failure is still a Default or Event of Default.

#### SECTION 11.9. SUBORDINATION MAY NOT BE IMPAIRED BY COMPANY

No right of any holder of Senior Indebtedness to enforce the subordination of the Indebtedness evidenced by the Notes shall be impaired by any act or failure to act by the Company or any Holder or by the failure of the Company or any Holder to comply with this Indenture.