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Commercial Letter of Credit for International Sale Transactions USA (National/Federal) Related Content

A commercial letter of credit, which is a payment method often used in international trade transactions, particularly sale of goods transactions. This Standard Document has integrated notes with important explanations and drafting tips.

Note: Read This Before Using Document

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Issuing Bank: [ISSUING BANK NAME AND ADDRESS]

Letter of Credit Number: [LETTER OF CREDIT NUMBER ASSIGNED BY ISSUING BANK]

Date: [DATE OF ISSUANCE]

Applicant: [APPLICANT NAME AND ADDRESS]

Beneficiary: [BENEFICIARY NAME AND ADDRESS]

Note: Parties to the Letter of Credit Transaction

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We hereby issue our [irrevocable] Letter of Credit No. [NUMBER] (the "Letter of Credit") in favor of [BENEFICIARY NAME] for the account of [APPLICANT NAME].

Note: Whether the Letter of Credit is Revocable or Irrevocable

This Letter of Credit is in an aggregate amount not to exceed [DOLLAR AMOUNT IN WORDS] and [NUMBER]/100 U.S. Dollars (\$[AMOUNT]).

Note: Amount of the Letter of Credit

This Letter of Credit is payable [at sight/[NUMBER] days after sight] by your draft drawn on [ISSUING BANK NAME] and accompanied by the following documents:

- Signed commercial invoice, consisting of 1 original and [NUMBER] copies.
- [Packing list in [duplicate/triplicate]].
- Full set [NUMBER] of [NUMBER] clean on board [ocean bills of lading] consigned to the order of [ISSUING BANK NAME].
- · Certificate of origin issued by [CITY OR STATE NAME] Chamber of Commerce.
- · Certificate of insurance covering shipment in the amount of \$[NUMBER].

	Note: Timing of Payment Under the Letter of Credit	
Evidencing shipment of: [QUANTITY AND DE	SCRIPTION OF GOODS BEING SHIPPED].	
Shipment from: [PORT OF ORIGIN].		
Shipment to: [DESTINATION PORT].		
Shipping terms: [ALLOCATION OF SHIPPING	S AND INSURANCE COSTS BETWEEN IMPORTER AND EXPORTER].	
Latest date of shipment: [DATE].		
	Note: Information About Goods, Shipment, and Shipping Terms	
All correspondence and any drawings hereund by [METHOD OF DELIVERY].	der are to be directed in writing to us at [ISSUING BANK ADDRESS]. Drawings	may be presented to us
	Note: Method of Delivery	
Partial shipments [are/are not] permitted.		
	Note: Partial Shipments	
Transshipment [is/is not] permitted.		
	Note: Transshipments	
	or in part. Any such transfer may be effected by request of the beneficiary only to	
	ary. The first beneficiary shall be responsible for our usual fee in connection with t issued under such transfer shall bear the same Expiration Date as this Letter o	-
	Note: Transferability of the Letter of Credit	
All bank fees relating to this Letter of Credit, of account.	ther than the fees of [ISSUING BANK NAME] and [ADVISING BANK NAME], a	re for the beneficiary's
	Note: Bank Fees	
	Note. Dank Fees	
This Letter of Credit is effective immediately at	nd expires at [TIME AND TIME ZONE] on [DATE].	
	Note: Expiration Date	
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Publication No. 600.	Customs and Practice for Documentary Credits, 2007 Revision, International Ch	namber of Commerce
This letter of credit is governed by the laws of	the state of [New York].	
	Note: Governing Law	
	If you cannot comply with any of its terms and conditions, please communicate	with your buyer to
arrange for an amendment.		
Yours truly,		
[ISSUING BANK NAME]		

(Authorized Signature)

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