part of such Borrowing into Eurocurrency Loans denominated in U.S. Dollars for an Interest Period or Interest Periods specified by the Borrower. The Borrower shall give all such notices requesting the advance, continuation or conversion of a Borrowing to the Administrative Agent by telephone or telecopy (which notice shall be irrevocable once given and, if by telephone, shall be promptly confirmed in writing), substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B (Notice of Borrowing) or Exhibit C (Notice of Continuation/Conversion), as applicable, or in such other form acceptable to the Administrative Agent. Notice of the continuation of a Borrowing of Eurocurrency Loans denominated in U.S. Dollars for an additional Interest Period or of the conversion of part or all of a Borrowing of Base Rate Loans into Eurocurrency Loans denominated in U.S. Dollars must be given by no later than 11:00 a.m. (New York time) at least 3 Business Days before the date of the requested continuation or conversion. Notices of the continuation of a Borrowing of Eurocurrency Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency must be given no later than 1:00 p.m. (New York time) at least four (4) Business Days before the requested continuation. All notices concerning the advance, continuation or conversion of a Borrowing shall specify the date of the requested advance, continuation or conversion of a Borrowing (which shall be a Business Day), the amount of the requested Borrowing to be advanced, continued or converted, the type of Loans to comprise such new, continued or converted Borrowing and, if such Borrowing is to be comprised of Eurocurrency Loans, the currency and Interest Period applicable thereto. The Borrower agrees that the Administrative Agent may rely on any such telephonic or telecopy notice given by any person the Administrative Agent in good faith believes is an Authorized Representative without the necessity of independent investigation (the Borrower hereby indemnifying the Agent from any liability or loss ensuing from such reliance) and, in the event any such notice by telephone conflicts with any written confirmation, such telephonic notice shall govern if the Administrative Agent has acted in reliance thereon.

- (b) Notice to the Lenders. The Administrative Agent shall give prompt telephonic or telecopy notice to each Lender of any notice from the Borrower received pursuant to Section 2.4(a) above and, if such notice requests the Lenders to make Eurocurrency Loans, the Administrative Agent shall give notice to the Borrower and each Lender of the interest rate applicable thereto promptly after the Administrative Agent has made such determination and, if such Borrowing is denominated in an Alternative Currency, shall give notice by such means to the Borrower and each Lender of the Original Dollar Amount thereof.
- (c) Borrower's Failure to Notify; Automatic Continuations and Conversions. If the Borrower fails to give proper notice of the continuation or conversion of any outstanding Borrowing of Eurocurrency Loans denominated in U.S. Dollars before the last day of its then current Interest Period within the period required by Section 2.4(a) or, whether or not such notice has been given, one or more of the conditions set forth in Section 3.1 for the continuation or conversion of a Borrowing of Eurocurrency Loans would not be satisfied, and such Borrowing is not prepaid in accordance with Section 2.7(a), such Borrowing shall automatically be converted into a Borrowing of Base Rate Loans. If the Borrower fails to give proper notice of the continuation of any outstanding Borrowing of Eurocurrency Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency before the last day of its then current Interest Period within the period required by Section 2.7(a) that it intends to prepay such Borrowing, such Borrowing shall automatically be continued as a Borrowing of Eurocurrency Loans in the same Alternative

Currency with an Interest Period of one month. In the event the Borrower fails to give notice pursuant to Section 2.4(a) of a Borrowing equal to the amount of a Reimbursement Obligation and has not notified the Administrative Agent by 2:00 p.m. (New York time) on the day such Reimbursement Obligation becomes due that it intends to repay such Reimbursement Obligation through funds not borrowed under this Agreement, the Borrower shall be deemed to have requested a Borrowing of Base Rate Loans under the Revolving Credit (or, at the option of the Administrative Agent, under the Swing Line) on such day in the amount of the Reimbursement Obligation then due, which Borrowing shall be applied to pay the Reimbursement Obligation then due.

- (d) Disbursement of Loans. Not later than 2:00 p.m. (New York time) on the date of any requested advance of a new Borrowing, subject to Section 3 hereof, each Lender shall make available its Loan comprising part of such Borrowing in funds immediately available at the Administrative Agent Office. The Administrative Agent shall make the proceeds of each new Borrowing available to the Borrower at the Administrative Agent's Office, except that if such Borrowing is denominated in an Alternative Currency each Lender shall, subject to Section 3 hereof, make available its Loan comprising part of such Borrowing at such account with such financial institution as the Administrative Agent has previously specified in a notice to each Lender, in such funds as are then customary for the settlement of international transactions in such currency and no later than such local time as is necessary for such funds to be received and transferred to the Borrower for same day value on the date of the Borrowing. The Administrative Agent shall make the proceeds of each new Borrowing denominated in U.S. Dollars available to the Borrower, and the Administrative Agent shall make the proceeds of each new Borrowing denominated in an Alternative Currency available at such account with such financial institution as the Administrative Agent has previously agreed to with the Borrower, in each case in the type of funds received by the Administrative Agent from the Lenders.
- Administrative Agent Reliance on Lender Funding. Unless the Administrative Agent shall have been notified by a Lender prior to (or, in the case of a Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, by 2:00 p.m. (New York time) on) the date on which such Lender is scheduled to make payment to the Administrative Agent of the proceeds of a Loan (which notice shall be effective upon receipt) that such Lender does not intend to make such payment, the Administrative Agent may assume that such Lender has made such payment when due and the Administrative Agent, in reliance upon such assumption may (but shall not be required to) make available to the Borrower the proceeds of the Loan to be made by such Lender and, if any Lender has not in fact made such payment to the Administrative Agent, such Lender shall, on demand, pay to the Administrative Agent the amount made available to the Borrower attributable to such Lender together with interest thereon in respect of each day during the period commencing on the date such amount was made available to the Borrower and ending on (but excluding) the date such Lender pays such amount to the Administrative Agent at a rate per annum equal to: (i) from the date the related advance was made by the Administrative Agent to the date 2 Business Days after payment by such Lender is due hereunder, the Federal Funds Rate for each such day, or, in the case of a Loan denominated in an Alternative Currency, the cost to the Administrative Agent of funding the amount it advanced to fund such Lender's Loan, as determined by the Administrative Agent and (ii) from the date 2 Business Days after the date such payment is due

from such Lender to the date such payment is made by such Lender, the Base Rate in effect for each such day or in the case of a Loan denominated in an Alternative Currency, the rate established by Section 2.3(c)(iii) for Eurocurrency Loans denominated in such currency. If such amount is not received from such Lender by the Administrative Agent immediately upon demand, the requesting Borrower will, on demand, repay to the Administrative Agent the proceeds of the Loan attributable to such Lender with interest thereon at a rate per annum equal to the interest rate applicable to the relevant Loan, but without such payment being considered a payment or prepayment of a Loan under Section 8.1 hereof so that such Borrower will have no liability under such Section with respect to such payment.

- Section 2.5 Minimum Borrowing Amounts; Maximum Eurocurrency Loans. Each Borrowing of Base Rate Loans shall be in an amount not less than U.S. \$250,000. Each Borrowing of Eurocurrency Loans advanced, continued or converted under the Revolving Credit shall be in an amount not less than an Original Dollar Amount of U.S. \$1,000,000 or such greater amount in units of the relevant currency as would have the Original Dollar Amount most closely approximating \$100,000 or an integral multiple thereof. Without the Administrative Agent's consent, there shall not be more than five (5) Borrowings of Eurocurrency Loans outstanding hereunder at any one time.
- Section 2.6 Maturity of Revolving Loans. Each Revolving Loan and, without limiting the effect of Section 2.10 hereof, Swing Loan, both for principal and interest, shall mature and become due and payable by the Borrower on the Termination Date.
- Section 2.7 Prepayments. (a) Voluntary. The Borrower may prepay without premium or penalty (except as set forth in Section 8.1 below) and in whole or in part any Borrowing of (x) Eurocurrency Loans denominated in U.S. Dollars at any time upon 3 Business Days prior notice by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent, (y) Eurocurrency Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency at any time upon 4 Business Days prior notice by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent, or (z) Base Rate Loans, notice delivered by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent no later than 11:00 a.m. (New York time) on the date of prepayment (or, in any case, such shorter period of time then agreed to by the Administrative Agent), such prepayment to be made by the payment of the principal amount to be prepaid and, in the case of any Eurocurrency Loans or Swing Loans, accrued interest thereon to the date fixed for prepayment plus any amounts due the Lenders under Section 8.1 hereof; provided, however, the Borrower may not partially repay a Borrowing (i) if such Borrowing is of Base Rate Loans, in a principal amount less than U.S. \$250,000, (ii) if such Borrowing is denominated in an Alternative Currency, an amount for which the U.S. Dollar Equivalent is less than \$1,000,000 and (iv) in each case, unless it is in an amount such that the minimum amount required for a Borrowing pursuant to Section 2.5 remains outstanding.
- (b) *Mandatory*. (i) The Borrower shall, on each date the Commitments are reduced pursuant to Section 2.9, prepay the Revolving Loans and Swing Loans and, if necessary, prefund the L/C Obligations by the amount, if any, necessary to reduce the sum of the aggregate principal amount of Revolving Loans, Swing Loans and L/C Obligations then outstanding to the amount to which the Commitments have been so reduced.

(ii) If at any time the sum of the aggregate Original Dollar Amount of the Revolving Loans, Swing Loans and the L/C Obligations then outstanding shall be in excess of the Commitments then in effect, the Borrower shall, within five days of such date and without notice or demand, pay over the amount of the excess to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lenders as and for a mandatory prepayment on such Obligations, with each such prepayment first to be applied to the Swing Loans then outstanding until payment in full thereof, with any remaining balance to be held by the Administrative Agent in the Collateral Account as security for the Obligations owing with respect to the Letters of Credit.

(iii) Unless the Borrower otherwise directs, prepayments of Loans under this Section 2.7(b) in U.S. Dollars shall be applied first to Borrowings of Base Rate Loans until payment in full thereof with any balance applied to Borrowings of Eurocurrency Loans denominated in U.S. Dollars in the order in which their Interest Periods expire and prepayments made in Alternative Currencies under this Section 2.7(b) shall be applied to Borrowings in such Alternative Currency in the order in which their Interest Periods expire. Each prepayment of Loans under this Section 2.7(b) shall be made by the payment of the principal amount to be prepaid and, in the case of any Swing Loans or Eurocurrency Loans, accrued interest thereon to the date of prepayment together with any amounts due the Lenders under Section 8.1 hereof. Each prefunding of L/C Obligations shall be made in accordance with Section 7.4 hereof. The Administrative Agent will promptly advise each Lender of any notice of prepayment it receives from the Borrower.

Section 2.8 Place and Application of Payments. All payments of principal of and interest on the Loans and the Reimbursement Obligations, and of all other Obligations payable by the Borrower under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, shall be made by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent by no later than 1:00 p.m. (New York time) on the due date thereof at the Administrative Agent office (or such other location as the Administrative Agent may designate to the Borrower) or, if such payment is to be made in an Alternative Currency, no later than 12:00 noon local time at the place of payment at such account with such financial institution as the Administrative Agent has previously specified in a notice to the Borrower for the benefit of the Lender or Lenders entitled thereto. Any payments received after such time shall be deemed to have been received by the Administrative Agent on the next Business Day. All such payments shall be made (i) in U.S. Dollars, in immediately available funds at the place of payment, or (ii) in the case of amounts payable hereunder in an Alternative Currency, in such Alternative Currency in such funds then customary for the settlement of international transactions in such currency, in each case without deduction, set-off or counterclaim. The Administrative Agent will promptly thereafter cause to be distributed like funds relating to the payment of principal or interest on Loans and on Reimbursement Obligations in which the Lenders have purchased Participating Interests ratably to the Lenders and like funds relating to the payment of any other amount payable to any Lender to such Lender, in each case to be applied in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. If the Administrative Agent causes amounts to be distributed to the Lenders in reliance upon the assumption that the Borrower will make a scheduled payment and such scheduled payment is not so made, each Lender shall, on demand, repay to the Administrative Agent the amount distributed to such Lender together with interest thereon in respect of each day during the period

commencing on the date such amount was distributed to such Lender and ending on (but excluding) the date such Lender repays such amount to the Administrative Agent, at a rate per annum equal to: (i) from the date the distribution was made to the date 2 Business Days after payment by such Lender is due hereunder, (x) if such scheduled payment was to be made in U.S. Dollars, the Federal Funds Rate for each such day and (y) if such scheduled payment was to be made in an Alternative Currency, the rate established by Section 2.3(c)(iii)(C) hereof for Eurocurrency Loans denominated in such currency and (ii) from the date 2 Business Days after the date such payment is due from such Lender to the date such payment is made by such Lender, (x) if such scheduled payment was to be made in U.S. Dollars, the Base Rate in effect for each such day and (y) if such scheduled payment was to be made in an Alternative Currency, the rate per annum established by Section 2.3(c)(iii) hereof for Eurocurrency Loans denominated in such currency.

Anything contained herein to the contrary notwithstanding, (x) pursuant to the exercise of remedies under Sections 7.2 and 7.3 hereof or (y) after written instruction by the Required Lenders after the occurrence and during the continuation of an Event of Default, all payments and collections received in respect of the Obligations by the Administrative Agent or any of the Lenders shall be remitted to the Administrative Agent and distributed as follows:

- (a) *first*, to the payment of any outstanding costs and expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent, and any security trustee therefore in protecting, preserving or enforcing rights under the Loan Documents, and in any event all costs and expenses of a character which the Borrower has agreed to pay the Administrative Agent under Section 10.13 hereof (such funds to be retained by the Administrative Agent for its own account unless it has previously been reimbursed for such costs and expenses by the Lenders, in which event such amounts shall be remitted to the Lenders to reimburse them for payments theretofore made to the Administrative Agent);
 - (b) second, to the payment of principal and interest on the Swing Notes until paid in full;
- (c) *third*, to the payment of any outstanding interest and fees due under the Loan Documents to be allocated pro rata in accordance with the aggregate unpaid amounts owing to each holder thereof;
- (d) *fourth*, to the payment of principal on the Notes, unpaid Reimbursement Obligations, together with amounts to be held by the Administrative Agent as collateral security for any outstanding L/C Obligations pursuant to Section 7.4 hereof (until the Administrative Agent is holding an amount of cash equal to the then outstanding amount of all such L/C Obligations), and Hedging Liability, the aggregate amount paid to, or held as collateral security for, the Lenders and, in the case of Hedging Liability, their Affiliates to be allocated pro rata in accordance with the aggregate unpaid amounts owing to each holder thereof;
- (e) *fifth*, to the payment of all other unpaid Obligations to be allocated pro rata in accordance with the aggregate unpaid amounts owing to each holder thereof; and
 - (f) *sixth*, to the Borrower or whoever else may be lawfully entitled thereto.

Section 2.9 Commitment Terminations. The Borrower shall have the right at any time and from time to time, upon 3 Business Days prior written notice to the Administrative Agent (or such shorter period of time agreed to by the Administrative Agent), to terminate the Commitments in whole or in part, any partial termination to be (i) in an amount equal to U.S. \$1,000,000 or such greater amount that is an integral multiple of U.S. \$100,000 and (ii) allocated ratably among the Lenders in proportion to their respective Percentages, provided that the Commitments may not be reduced to an amount less than the sum of the aggregate principal amount of Swing Loans and L/C Obligations and the Original Dollar Amount of Revolving Loans then outstanding. Any termination of the Commitments below the L/C Sublimit then in effect shall reduce the L/C Sublimit by a like amount. Any termination of the Commitments below the Swing Line Sublimit then in effect shall reduce the Swing Line Sublimit by a like amount. The Administrative Agent shall give prompt notice to each Lender of any such termination of the Commitments. Any termination of the Commitments pursuant to this Section 2.9 may not be reinstated.

- Section 2.10 Swing Loans. (a) Generally. Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, as part of the Revolving Credit, the Administrative Agent agrees to make loans in U.S. Dollars to the Borrower under the Swing Line (individually a "Swing Loan" and collectively the "Swing Loans") which shall not in the aggregate at any time outstanding exceed the Swing Line Sublimit; provided, however, the sum of the (i) aggregate Original Dollar Amount of Revolving Loans, (ii) the aggregate principal amount of Swing Loans and (iii) the aggregate principal amount of L/C Obligations at any time outstanding shall not exceed the sum of all Commitments in effect at such time. The Swing Loans may be availed of the Borrower from time to time and borrowings thereunder may be repaid and used again during the period ending on the Termination Date; provided that each Swing Loan must be repaid on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto. Each Swing Loan shall be in a minimum amount of U.S. \$250,000 or such greater amount that is an integral multiple of U.S. \$100,000.
- (b) *Interest on Swing Loans*. Each Swing Loan shall bear interest until maturity (whether by acceleration or otherwise) at a rate per annum, as selected by the Borrower in accordance with subpart (c) below, equal to (i) the sum of the Base Rate *plus* the Applicable Margin for Base Rate Loans from time to time in effect (computed on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed) or (ii) the Administrative Agent's Quoted Rate (computed on the basis of a year of 360 days for the actual number of days elapsed). Interest on each Swing Loan shall be due and payable under the Swing Note prior to such maturity on the last day of each Interest Period applicable thereto.
- (c) Requests for Swing Loans. The Borrower shall give the Administrative Agent prior notice (which may be written or oral) no later than 1:00 p.m. (New York time) on the date upon which the Borrower requests that any Swing Loan be made, of the amount and date of such Swing Loan, and the Interest Period requested therefor. Within 30 minutes after receiving such notice, the Administrative Agent shall in its discretion quote an interest rate to the Borrower at which the Administrative Agent would be willing to make such Swing Loan available to the Borrower for the Interest Period so requested (the rate so quoted for a given Interest Period being herein referred to as "Administrative Agent's Quoted Rate"). The Borrower acknowledges and agrees that the interest rate quote is given for immediate and irrevocable acceptance. If the Borrower does not so immediately accept the Administrative Agent's Quoted Rate for the full

amount requested by the Borrower for such Swing Loan, the Administrative Agent's Quoted Rate shall be deemed immediately withdrawn and such Swing Loan shall bear interest at the rate per annum determined by adding the Applicable Margin for Base Rate Loans to the Base Rate as from time to time in effect. Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the proceeds of such Swing Loan shall be made available to the Borrower on the date so requested at such account with such financial institution as the Administrative Agent has previously agreed to with the Borrower. Anything contained in the foregoing to the contrary notwithstanding (i) the obligation of the Administrative Agent to make Swing Loans shall be subject to all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement and (ii) the Administrative Agent shall not be obligated to make more than one Swing Loan during any one day.

- (d) Refunding of Swing Loans. In its sole and absolute discretion, the Administrative Agent may at any time, on behalf of the Borrower (which hereby irrevocably authorizes the Administrative Agent to act on its behalf for such purpose) and with notice to the Borrower, request each Lender to make a Revolving Loan in the form of a Base Rate Loan in an amount equal to such Lender's Percentage of the amount of the Swing Loans outstanding on the date such notice is given. Unless an Event of Default described in Section 7.1(j) or 7.1(k) exists with respect to the Borrower, regardless of the existence of any other Event of Default, each Lender shall make the proceeds of its requested Revolving Loan available to the Administrative Agent, in immediately available funds, at the Administrative Agent's Office, before 1:00 p.m. (New York time) on the Business Day following the day such notice is given. The proceeds of such Borrowing of Revolving Loans shall be immediately applied to repay the outstanding Swing Loans.
- (e) Participations. If any Lender refuses or otherwise fails to make a Revolving Loan when requested by the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 2.10(d) above (because an Event of Default described in Section 7.1(j) or 7.1(k) exists with respect to the Borrower or otherwise), such Lender will, by the time and in the manner such Revolving Loan was to have been funded to the Administrative Agent, purchase from the Administrative Agent an undivided participating interest in the outstanding Swing Loans in an amount equal to its Percentage of the aggregate principal amount of Swing Loans that were to have been repaid with such Revolving Loans; provided that the foregoing purchases shall be deemed made hereunder without any further action by such Lender or the Administrative Agent. Each Lender that so purchases a participation in a Swing Loan shall thereafter be entitled to receive its Percentage of each payment of principal received on the Swing Loan and of interest received thereon accruing from the date such Lender funded to the Administrative Agent its participation in such Loan. The several obligations of the Lenders under this Section shall be absolute, irrevocable and unconditional under any and all circumstances whatsoever and shall not be subject to any set-off, counterclaim or defense to payment that any Lender may have or have had against the Borrower, any other Lender or any other Person whatsoever. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such obligations shall not be affected by any Default or Event of Default or by any reduction or termination of the Commitments of any Lender, and each payment made by a Lender under this Section shall be made without any offset, abatement, withholding or reduction whatsoever.

Section 2.11 The Notes. (a) The Revolving Loans made to the Borrower by a Lender shall be evidenced by a single promissory note of that Borrower issued to such Lender in the

form of Exhibit D-1 hereto. Each such promissory note is hereinafter referred to as a "Revolving Note" and collectively such promissory notes are referred to as the "Revolving Notes."

- (b) The Swing Loans made to the Borrower by the Administrative Agent shall be evidenced by a single promissory note of the Borrower issued to the Administrative Agent in the form of Exhibit D-2 hereto. Such promissory note is hereinafter referred to as a "Swing Note".
- (c) In respect of the Revolving Credit and Swing Line, each Lender shall record on its books and records or on a schedule to its appropriate Note the amount and currency and type of each Loan advanced, continued or converted by it, all payments of principal and interest and the principal balance from time to time outstanding thereon, and, for any Eurocurrency Loan, the Interest Period and the interest rate applicable thereto. The Lender's record thereof, whether shown on its books and records or on a schedule to the relevant Note, shall be *prima facie* evidence as to all such matters; *provided, however*, that the failure of any Lender to record any of the foregoing or any error in any such record shall not limit or otherwise affect the obligation of the Borrower to repay all Loans made to it together with accrued interest thereon. At the request of any Lender and upon such Lender tendering to the Borrower the appropriate Note to be replaced, the Borrower shall furnish a new Note to such Lender to replace any outstanding Note, and at such time the first notation appearing on a schedule on the reverse side of, or attached to, such new Note shall set forth the aggregate unpaid principal amount of all Loans, if any, then outstanding thereon.
- (d) In respect of unpaid Reimbursement Obligations owing from the Borrower to the L/C Issuer, the L/C Issuer shall record on its books and records or on a schedule to its Letter of Credit Note the amount of each unpaid Reimbursement Obligation and all outstanding interest and fees applicable thereon. The L/C Issuer's record thereof, whether shown on its books and records or on a schedule to the Letter of Credit Note, shall be *prima facie* evidence as to all such matters; *provided, however*, that the failure of the L/C Issuer to record any of the foregoing or any error in any such record shall not limit or otherwise affect the obligation of the Borrower to pay all unpaid Reimbursement Obligations together with accrued interest and fees thereon. At the request of the L/C Issuer and upon the L/C Issuer tendering to the Borrower the appropriate Note to be replaced, the Borrower shall furnish a new Letter of Credit Note to the L/C Issuer to replace the outstanding Letter of Credit Note, and at such time the first notation appearing on a schedule on the reverse side of, or attached to, such new Note shall set forth the aggregate unpaid Reimbursement Obligations and interest and fees, if any, then outstanding thereon.
 - (e) The Borrower acknowledges that the Notes are intended to evidence its Indebtedness under this Agreement.
- Section 2.12 Fees. (a) Commitment Fee. The Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the ratable account of the Lenders according to their Percentages a commitment fee at the rate per annum equal to the Applicable Margin (computed on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed) on the average daily Unused Commitments. Such commitment fee shall be payable quarterly in arrears on the last day of each March, June, September, and December in each year (commencing on the first such date occurring after the date hereof) and on the Termination Date, unless the Commitments are terminated in whole on

an earlier date, in which event the commitment fee for the period to the date of such termination in whole shall be paid on the date of such termination.

Letter of Credit Fees. On the date of issuance or extension, or increase in the amount, of any Letter of Credit pursuant to Section 2.2 hereof, the Borrower shall pay to the L/C Issuer for its own account a fronting fee equal to 0.125% of the face amount of (or of the increase in the face amount of) such Letter of Credit. Quarterly in arrears, on the last day of each March, June, September, and December, commencing on the first such date occurring after the date hereof, the Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent, for the ratable benefit of the Lenders according to their Percentages, a letter of credit fee at a rate per annum equal to the Applicable Margin (computed on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed) in effect during each day of such quarter applied to the daily average face amount of Letters of Credit outstanding during such quarter; provided that, while any Event of Default exists or after acceleration, such rate shall increase by 2% over the rate otherwise payable and such fee shall be paid on demand of the Administrative Agent at the request or with the consent of the Required Lenders; provided however, that prior to acceleration, any rate increase pursuant to the foregoing proviso shall be made at the direction of the Administrative Agent, acting at the request or with the consent of the Required Lenders. In addition, the Borrower shall pay to the L/C Issuer for its own account the L/C Issuer's standard drawing, negotiation, amendment, transfer and other administrative fees for each Letter of Credit. Such standard fees referred to in the preceding sentence may be established by the L/C Issuer from time to time.

Section 2.13 Hedge Agreements. All Hedge Agreements, if any, between the Borrower and the Subsidiaries and the Lenders and their Affiliates are independent agreements governed by the written provisions of such Hedge Agreements, which will remain in full force and effect, unaffected by any repayment, prepayment, acceleration, reduction, increase or change in the terms of this Agreement, except as otherwise provided in such Hedge Agreements, and any payoff statement from Administrative Agent relating to this Agreement shall not apply to such Hedge Agreements, except as otherwise expressly provided in such payoff statement.

SECTION 3. CONDITIONS PRECEDENT.

The obligation of each Lender to advance, continue or convert any Loan (other than the conversion into a Base Rate Loan) or of the L/C Issuer to issue, extend the expiration date (including by not giving notice of non-renewal) of or increase the amount of any Letter of Credit under this Agreement, shall be subject to the following conditions precedent:

Section 3.1 All Credit Events. At the time of each Credit Event hereunder:

- (a) each of the representations and warranties set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents shall be and remain true and correct in all material respects as of said time, except to the extent the same expressly relate to an earlier date with respect to which such representations and warranties shall be true and correct as of such earlier date;
- (b) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would occur as a result of such Credit Event;

(c) in the case of any request for an extension of credit under the Revolving Credit, after giving effect to such extension of credit, the aggregate principal amount of all Revolving Loans, Swing Loans and L/C Obligations under this Agreement shall not exceed the aggregate Commitments;

- (d) in the case of a Borrowing the Administrative Agent shall have received the notice required by Section 2.4 hereof, in the case of the issuance of any Letter of Credit the L/C Issuer shall have received a duly completed Application together with any fees called for by Section 2.12 hereof, and, in the case of an extension or increase in the amount of a Letter of Credit, a written request therefor in a form acceptable to the L/C Issuer together with fees called for by Section 2.12 hereof, and
- (e) such Credit Event shall not violate any order, judgment or decree of any court or other authority or any provision of law or regulation applicable to the Administrative Agent or any Lender (including, without limitation, Regulation U of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System) as then in effect.

Each request for a Borrowing hereunder and each request for the issuance of, increase in the amount of, or extension of the expiration date of, a Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be a representation and warranty by the Borrower on the date of such Credit Event as to the facts specified in subsections (a) through (d), both inclusive, of this Section.

Section 3.2 Initial Credit Event. Before or concurrently with the initial Credit Event:

- (a) the Administrative Agent shall have received for each Lender such Lender's duly executed Notes of the Borrower dated the date hereof and otherwise in compliance with the provisions of Section 2.11 hereof;
 - (b) the Administrative Agent shall have received the Guaranties duly executed by each Guarantor;
- (c) the Administrative Agent shall have received for each Lender copies of the Borrower's and each Guarantor's articles of incorporation and bylaws (or comparable organizational documents) and any amendments thereto, certified in each instance by its Secretary or Assistant Secretary;
- (d) the Administrative Agent shall have received for each Lender copies of resolutions of the Borrower's and each Guarantor's Board of Directors (or similar governing body) authorizing the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which it is a party and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, together with incumbency certificates and specimen signatures of the persons authorized to execute such documents on the Borrower's and each Guarantor's behalf, all certified in each instance by its Secretary or Assistant Secretary;
- (e) the Administrative Agent shall have received for each Lender copies of the certificates of good standing, or the nearest equivalent in the relevant jurisdiction, for the Borrower and each Guarantor (dated no earlier than 30 days prior to the date hereof) from the office of the secretary of state or other appropriate governmental department or agency of the