
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

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

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

FOR THE QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2001

COMMISSION FILE NO. 1-10403

TEPPCO PARTNERS, L.P. (EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

DELAWARE (STATE OF INCORPORATION OR ORGANIZATION) 76-0291058 (I.R.S. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER)

2929 ALLEN PARKWAY
P.O. BOX 2521
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77252-2521
(ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES, INCLUDING ZIP CODE)

(713) 759-3636 (REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE)

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

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ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TEPPCO PARTNERS, L.P.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands)

	MARCH 31, 2001	DECEMBER 31, 2000
	(UNAUDITED)	
ASSETS		
Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable, trade Inventories Other	\$ 16,812 264,844 27,361 9,221	\$ 27,096 303,394 24,784 8,123
Total current assets	318,238	363,397
Property, plant and equipment, at cost (Net of accumulated depreciation and amortization of \$260,345 and \$251,165)	969, 917 238, 295 36, 746 33, 341	949,705 241,648 38,388 29,672
Total assets	\$ 1,596,537 =======	\$ 1,622,810 =======
LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS' CAPITAL		
Current liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Accounts payable, general partner Accrued interest Other accrued taxes Other	\$ 264,333 6,393 7,134 8,797 26,525	\$ 293,720 6,637 18,633 10,501 28,780
Total current liabilities	313,182	358,271
Senior Notes Other long-term debt Other liabilities and deferred credits Minority interest Redeemable Class B Units held by related party	389,791 413,000 10,538 4,883 105,547	389,784 446,000 3,991 4,296 105,411
Partners' capital: General partner's interest Limited partners' interests Accumulated other comprehensive loss	2,749 369,211 (12,364)	1,824 313,233
Total partners' capital	359,596	315,057
Total liabilities and partners' capital	\$ 1,596,537 =======	\$ 1,622,810 =======

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED) (IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER UNIT AMOUNTS)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2001	THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2000
Operating revenues: Sales of crude oil and petroleum products Transportation - Refined products Transportation - LPGs Transportation - crude oil and NGLs Mont Belvieu operations Other - Net Total operating revenues	\$ 707,481 26,181 24,999 10,909 2,897 12,768	\$ 682,785 28,030 23,117 4,129 4,471 8,160
Costs and expenses: Purchases of crude oil and petroleum products Operating, general and administrative Operating fuel and power Depreciation and amortization Taxes - other than income taxes Total costs and expenses	698,576 27,950 8,614 9,907 3,882	677,413 24,234 7,513 8,247 2,518
Operating income	36,306 (16,294) 345 5,206 434	30,767 (8,434) 1,010 782
Income before minority interest	25,997 (262)	24,125 (244)
Net Income	\$ 25,735 =======	\$ 23,881 =======
Net Income Allocation: Limited Partner Unitholders Class B Unitholder General Partner	\$ 18,611 2,192 4,932	\$ 17,533 2,368 3,980
Total net income allocated	\$ 25,735 =======	\$ 23,881 =======
Basic and diluted net income per Limited Partner and Class B Unit	\$ 0.55 =======	\$ 0.60 ======
Weighted average Limited Partner and Class B Units outstanding	37,889	32,917

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED) (IN THOUSANDS)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2001	THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2000	
Cash flows from operating activities: Net income Depreciation and amortization Earnings in equity investments, net of distributions Noncash portion of interest expense Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable, trade Decrease (increase) in inventories Increase in other current assets Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued expenses Other Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 25,735 9,907 6,300 520 38,550 (2,577) (1,099) (51,236) (3,475) 	\$ 23,881 8,247 (78) 98 (37,507) 4,737 (588) 29,856 124	
Cash flows from investing activities: Proceeds from cash investments Purchase of crude oil assets Proceeds from the sale of assets Investment in Centennial Pipeline Company Capital expenditures Net cash used in investing activities	1,000 (20,000) 1,300 (2,947) (10,940) (31,587)	(18,013) (18,013)	
Cash flows from financing activities: Proceeds from term loan and revolving credit facility Repayment on revolving credit facility Proceeds form the issuance of Limited Partner Units, net General Partner contributions Distributions Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	8,000 (41,000) 54,588 1,114 (24,024)	1,695	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(10,284)	12,452	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	27,096	32,593	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period		\$ 45,045	
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOWS: Interest paid during the period (net of capitalized interest)	\$ 26,656 ======	\$ 13,835 =======	

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

NOTE 1. ORGANIZATION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

TEPPCO Partners, L.P. (the "Partnership"), a Delaware limited partnership, was formed in March 1990. The Partnership operates through TE Products Pipeline Company, Limited Partnership (the "Downstream Segment") and TCTM, L.P. (the "Upstream Segment"). Collectively the Downstream Segment and the Upstream Segment are referred to as "the Operating Partnerships." The Partnership owns a 99% interest as the sole limited partner in both the Downstream Segment and Upstream Segment.

On March 31, 2000, Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Company, a Delaware corporation and general partner of the Partnership and the Operating Partnerships, was converted into Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Company, LLC (the "Company" or "General Partner"), a Delaware limited liability company. Additionally on March 31, 2000, Duke Energy Corporation ("Duke Energy"), contributed its ownership of the General Partner to Duke Energy Field Services, LP ("DEFS"). DEFS is a joint venture between Duke Energy and Phillips Petroleum Company. Duke Energy holds a majority interest in DEFS.

The Company owns a 1% general partner interest in the Partnership and a 1% general partner interest in each Operating Partnership. The Company, as general partner, performs all management and operating functions required for the Partnership pursuant to the Agreements of Limited Partnership of TEPPCO Partners, L.P., TE Products Pipeline Company, Limited Partnership and TCTM, L.P. (the "Partnership Agreements"). The General Partner is reimbursed by the Partnership for all reasonable direct and indirect expenses incurred in managing the Partnership.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments, which are, in the opinion of management, of a normal and recurring nature and necessary for a fair statement of the financial position of the Partnership as of March 31, 2001, and the results of operations and cash flows for the periods presented. The results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2001, are not necessarily indicative of results of operations for the full year 2001. The interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Partnership's consolidated financial statements and notes thereto presented in the TEPPCO Partners, L.P. Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000. Certain amounts from the prior year have been reclassified to conform to current presentation.

The Partnership operates in two segments: refined products and liquefied petroleum gases ("LPGs") transportation (Downstream Segment); and crude oil and natural gas liquids ("NGLs") transportation and marketing (Upstream Segment). The Partnership's reportable segments offer different products and services and are managed separately because each requires different business strategies. The Upstream Segment was acquired as a unit in November 1998, and the management at the time of the acquisition was retained. The Partnership's interstate transportation operations, including rates charged to customers, are subject to regulations prescribed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"). Refined products, LPGs, crude oil and NGLs are referred to herein, collectively, as "petroleum products" or "products."

Basic net income per Unit is computed by dividing net income, after deduction of the general partner's interest, by the weighted average number of Limited Partner Units and Class B Units outstanding (a total of 37.9 million Units for the three months ended March 31, 2001, and 32.9 million Units for the three months ended March 31, 2000). The General Partner's percentage interest in net income is based on its percentage of cash distributions from Available Cash for each period (see Note 7. Quarterly Distributions of Available Cash). The General Partner was allocated \$4.9 million (representing 19.17%) and \$4.0 million (representing 16.66%) of net income for the three months ended March 31, 2001, and 2000, respectively.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - (CONTINUED) (UNAUDITED)

Diluted net income per Unit is similar to the computation of basic net income per Unit above, except that the denominator was increased to include the dilutive effect of outstanding Unit options by application of the treasury stock method. For the quarters ended March 31, 2001 and 2000, the denominator was increased by 26,180 Units and 19,457 Units, respectively.

NOTE 2. NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Effective January 1, 2001, the Partnership adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities. This statement establishes accounting and reporting standards requiring that derivative instruments (including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts) be recorded at fair value and included in the balance sheet as assets or liabilities. The accounting for changes in the fair value of a derivative instrument depends on the intended use of the derivative and the resulting designation, which is established at the inception of a derivative. Special accounting for derivatives qualifying as fair value hedges allows a derivative's gains and losses to offset related results on the hedged item in the statement of income. For derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges, changes in fair value, to the extent the hedge is effective, are recognized in other comprehensive income until the hedged item is recognized in earnings. Hedge effectiveness is measured at least quarterly based on the relative cumulative changes in fair value between the derivative contract and the hedged item over time. Any change in fair value resulting from ineffectiveness, as defined by SFAS 133, is recognized immediately in earnings.

Adoption of SFAS 133 at January 1, 2001 resulted in the recognition of \$10.1 million of derivative liabilities, \$4.1 million of which are included in current liabilities and \$6.0 million of which are included in other noncurrent liabilities on the Partnership's balance sheet, and \$10.1 million of hedging losses included in accumulated other comprehensive loss, a component of Partners' capital, as the cumulative effect of the change in accounting principle. The hedging losses included in accumulated other comprehensive loss will be transferred to earnings as the forecasted transactions actually occur. Approximately \$4.1 million of the loss included in accumulated other comprehensive loss as of January 1, 2001 is anticipated to be transferred into earnings over the next twelve months. The cumulative effect of the accounting change had no effect on the Partnership's net income or its earnings per Unit amounts for the quarter ended March 31, 2001. Amounts were determined as of January 1, 2001 based on quoted market values, the Partnership's portfolio of derivative instruments, and the Partnership's measurement of hedge effectiveness.

From time to time, the Partnership has utilized and expects to continue to utilize derivative financial instruments with respect to a portion of its interest rate risks and its crude oil marketing activities to achieve a more predictable cash flow by reducing its exposure to interest rate and crude oil price fluctuations. These transactions generally are swaps and forwards and are entered into with major financial institutions or commodities trading institutions. Derivative financial instruments used in the Partnership's Upstream Segment are intended to reduce the Partnership's exposure to fluctuations in the market price of crude oil, while derivative financial instruments related to the Partnership's interest rate risks are intended to reduce the Partnership's exposure to increases in the benchmark interest rates underlying the Partnership's variable rate revolving credit facility. Through December 31, 2000, gains and losses from financial instruments used in the Partnership's Upstream Segment have been recognized in revenues for the periods to which the derivative financial instruments relate and gain and losses from its interest rate financial instruments have been recognized in interest expense for the periods to which the derivative financial instrument relate.

As of March 31, 2001, the Upstream Segment had open positions on certain speculative option contracts. During the three months ended March 31, 2001, a loss of \$13,000 was recognized on such contracts.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - (CONTINUED) (UNAUDITED)

Also as of March 31, 2001, the Partnership had in place an interest rate swap agreement to hedge its exposure to increases in the benchmark interest rate underlying the variable rate revolving credit facilities. The swap agreement is based on a notional amount of \$250 million. Under the swap agreement, the Partnership pays a fixed rate of interest of 7.17% and receives a floating rate based on a three month USD LIBOR rate. The interest rate swap is designated as a cash flow hedge, therefore, the changes in fair value, to the extent the swap is effective, are recognized in other comprehensive income until the hedged interest costs are recognized in earnings. During the quarter ended March 31, 2001, the Partnership recognized \$0.8 million in losses, included in interest expense, on the interest rate swap attributable to interest costs occurring in the first quarter of 2001. No gain or loss from ineffectiveness was required to be recognized. The fair value of the interest rate swap agreement was a loss of approximately \$13.7 million at March 31, 2001. Approximately \$6.1 million (inclusive of the \$4.1 million related to the cumulative effect of the accounting change not yet recognized) of such amount is anticipated to be transferred into earnings over the next twelve months.

During the first quarter of 2001, the Partnership executed three treasury rate lock agreements to hedge its exposure to increases in the treasury rate that will be used to establish the fixed interest rate for the debt offering that is probable to occur in the second quarter of 2001. The treasury rate lock agreements are based on notional amounts of \$200 million, \$100 million and \$100 million. Under the treasury rate lock agreements, the Partnership pays a fixed rate of interest of 5.0%, 4.9% and 4.8%, respectively, and receives a floating rate based on the three month treasury rate. The treasury rate locks are designated as cash flow hedges, therefore, the changes in fair value, to the extent the treasury rate locks are effective, are recognized in other comprehensive income until the actual debt offering occurs. Upon completion of the debt offering, the realized gain or loss on the treasury rate locks will be amortized out of accumulated other comprehensive income into interest expense over the life of the debt obligation. The fair value of the three treasury rate locks was a gain of approximately \$1.3 million at March 31, 2001.

NOTE 3. ACQUISITIONS

On July 20, 2000, the Partnership completed an acquisition of ARCO Pipe Line Company ("ARCO"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Atlantic Richfield Company, for \$322.6 million, which included \$4.1 million of acquisition related costs. The purchase included ARCO's 50-percent ownership interest in Seaway Crude Pipeline Company ("Seaway"), which owns a pipeline that carries mostly imported crude oil from a marine terminal at Freeport, Texas, to Cushing, Oklahoma, and from a marine terminal at Texas City, Texas to refineries in the Texas City and Houston areas. The Partnership assumed ARCO's role as operator of this pipeline. The Partnership also acquired: (i) ARCO's crude oil terminal facilities in Cushing and Midland, Texas, including the line transfer and pumpover business at each location; (ii) an undivided ownership interest in both the Rancho Pipeline, a crude oil pipeline from West Texas to Houston, and the Basin Pipeline, a crude oil pipeline running from Jal, New Mexico, through Midland to Cushing, both of which are operated by another joint owner; and (iii) the receipt and delivery pipelines known as the West Texas Trunk System, which is located around the Midland terminal. The acquisition was accounted for under the purchase method of accounting. Accordingly, the results of the acquisition are included in the consolidated statements of income from July 20, 2000.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - (CONTINUED) (UNAUDITED)

The following table presents the unaudited pro forma results of the Partnership as though the acquisition of ARCO occurred at the beginning of 2000 (in thousands, except per Unit amounts).

QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2000

Revenues	\$758	3,197
Net Income	22	2,302
Basic and diluted net income per Limited		
Partner and Class B Unit	\$	0.56

NOTE 4. INVENTORIES

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost (based on weighted average cost method) or market. The major components of inventories were as follows (in thousands):

	MARCH 31, 2001		•	
Crude oil	\$	15,070 4,197 454 242 3,650 3,748	\$	14,635 3,795 267 82 2,693 3,312
Total	\$ ====	27,361 ======	\$	24,784

The costs of inventories did not exceed market values at March 31, 2001, and December 31, 2000.

NOTE 5. EQUITY INVESTMENTS

Seaway is a partnership between the Upstream Segment and Phillips Petroleum Company ("Phillips"). The Upstream Segment purchased its 50-percent ownership interest in Seaway on July 20, 2000 (see Note 3. Acquisitions). The Seaway Crude Pipeline Company Partnership Agreement provides for varying participation ratios throughout the life of the Seaway Partnership. From July 20, 2000, through May 2002, the Upstream Segment receives 80% of revenue and expense of Seaway. From June 2002 until May 2006, the Upstream Segment receives 60% of revenue and expense of Seaway. Thereafter, the sharing ratio becomes 40% of revenue and expense to the Upstream Segment.

The Partnership uses the equity method of accounting for its investment in Seaway. Summarized financial information for Seaway as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2001 is presented below (in thousands):

Current assets	\$ 23,960
Non current assets	286,264
Current liabilities	2,395
Partners' capital	307,829
Revenues	15,486
Net income	\$ 6,978

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - (CONTINUED) (UNAUDITED)

NOTE 6. LONG TERM DEBT

SENTOR NOTES

On January 27, 1998, the Downstream Segment completed the issuance of \$180 million principal amount of 6.45% Senior Notes due 2008, and \$210 million principal amount of 7.51% Senior Notes due 2028 (collectively the "Senior Notes"). The 6.45% Senior Notes due 2008 are not subject to redemption prior to January 15, 2008. The 7.51% Senior Notes due 2028 may be redeemed at any time after January 15, 2008, at the option of the Downstream Segment, in whole or in part, at a premium.

The Senior Notes do not have sinking fund requirements. Interest on the Senior Notes is payable semiannually in arrears on January 15 and July 15 of each year. The Senior Notes are unsecured obligations of the Downstream Segment and will rank on a parity with all other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness of the Downstream Segment. The indenture governing the Senior Notes contains covenants, including, but not limited to, covenants limiting the creation of liens securing indebtedness and sale and leaseback transactions. However, the indenture does not limit the Partnership's ability to incur additional indebtedness.

OTHER LONG TERM DEBT AND CREDIT FACILITIES

On July 14, 2000, the Partnership entered into a \$75 million term loan and a \$475 million revolving credit facility. On July 21, 2000, the Partnership borrowed \$75 million under the term loan and \$340 million under the revolving credit facility. The funds were used to finance the acquisition of the ARCO assets (see Note 3. Acquisitions) and to refinance existing credit facilities, other than the Senior Notes. The term loan was repaid from proceeds received from the issuance of additional Limited Partner Units on October 25, 2000. The revolving facility has a three year maturity. The interest rate is based on the Partnership's option of either the lender's base rate plus a spread, or LIBOR plus a spread in effect at the time of the borrowings. The credit agreements contain restrictive financial covenants that require the Partnership to maintain a minimum level of partners' capital as well as maximum debt-to-EBITDA (earnings before interest expense, income tax expense and depreciation and amortization expense) and minimum fixed charge coverage ratios. At March 31, 2001, \$413 million was outstanding under the revolving credit facility at a weighted average interest rate of 6.4% (see Note 11. Subsequent Events).

On July 21, 2000, the Partnership entered into a three year swap agreement to hedge its exposure on the variable rate credit facilities. The swap agreement is based on a notional amount of \$250 million. Under the swap agreement, the Partnership pays a fixed rate of interest of 7.17% and receives a floating rate based on a three month USD LIBOR rate.

NOTE 7. QUARTERLY DISTRIBUTIONS OF AVAILABLE CASH

The Partnership makes quarterly cash distributions of all of its Available Cash, generally defined as consolidated cash receipts less consolidated cash disbursements and cash reserves established by the General Partner in its sole discretion. Pursuant to the Partnership Agreement, the Company receives incremental incentive cash distributions on the portion that cash distributions on a per Unit basis exceed certain target thresholds as follows:

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - (CONTINUED) (UNAUDITED)

	UNITHOLDERS	GENERAL PARTNER
Duarterly Cash Distribution per Unit:		
Up to Minimum Quarterly Distribution (\$0.275 per Unit)	98%	2%
First Target - \$0.276 per Unit up to \$0.325 per Unit	85%	15%
Second Target - \$0.326 per Unit up to \$0.45 per Unit	75%	25%
Over Second Target - Cash distributions greater than \$0.45 per Unit	50%	50%

The following table reflects the allocation of total distributions paid for the three month periods ended March 31, 2001 and 2000 (in thousands, except per Unit amounts).

	THI	REE MONTHS E	NDED M	ARCH 31,
	2001			2000
Limited Partner Units 1% General Partner Interest General Partner Incentive	\$	17,167 194 4,364	\$	13,775 158 2,327
Total Partners' Capital Cash Distributions Class B Units		21,725 2,056 243		16,260 1,860 185
Total Cash Distributions Paid	\$	24,024	\$	18,305
Total Cash Distributions Paid Per Unit	\$	0.525	\$ ===:	0.475

On April 20, 2001, the Partnership declared a cash distribution of \$0.525 per Limited Partner Unit and Class B Unit for the quarter ended March 31, 2001. The distribution was paid on May 4, 2001, to Unitholders of record on April 30, 2001.

NOTE 8. SEGMENT DATA

The Partnership operates in two segments: refined products and LPGs transportation, which operates through the Downstream Segment; and crude oil and NGLs transportation and marketing, which operates through the Upstream Segment.

The Downstream Segment is involved in the interstate transportation, storage and terminaling of petroleum products and LPGs, intrastate transportation of petrochemicals and the fractionation of NGLs. Revenues are derived from the transportation of refined products and LPGs, the storage and short-haul shuttle transportation of LPGs at the Mont Belvieu, Texas, complex, sale of product inventory and other ancillary services. The Downstream Segment is one of the largest pipeline common carriers of refined petroleum products and LPGs in the United States. The Partnership owns and operates a pipeline system extending from southeast Texas through the central and midwestern United States to the northeastern United States.

The Upstream Segment gathers, stores, transports and markets crude oil principally in Oklahoma, Texas and the Rocky Mountain region; operates two trunkline NGL pipelines in South Texas and three NGL pipelines in East Texas; and distributes lube oils and specialty chemicals to industrial and commercial accounts. On July 20, 2000, the Partnership completed its acquisition of assets from ARCO (see Note 3. Acquisitions). The acquisition was accounted for under the purchase method of accounting. The results of the acquisition have been included in the Upstream Segment since the purchase on July 20, 2000.

The table below includes interim financial information by business segment for the interim periods ended March 31, 2001 and 2000 (in thousands):

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - (CONTINUED)

THREE MONTHS E					31, 20	001	
2001	DOWNSTREAM SEGMENT		UPSTREAM SEGMENT				NSOLIDATED
Unaffiliated revenues	\$	64,105 27,566 7,177	\$	721,130 711,456 2,730	\$	785,235 739,022 9,907	
Operating income		29,362 (8,335) 112		6,944 (7,614) 5,206 60		36,306 (15,949) 5,206 172	
Net income	\$	21,139 ======	\$ ===	4,596 ======	\$	25,735 =======	
Total assets	\$	740,588 16,586 11,112	\$	855,949 248,258 253,221	\$	1,596,537 264,844 264,333	

	Т	THREE MONTHS	ENDED	MARCH 31,	2000	
	DOWNSTREAM SEGMENT				CONSOLIDATED	
liated revenues ing expenses, including power iation and amortization expense	28	3,778 \$ 3,657 5,783	68	36,914 33,021 1,464	\$	750,692 711,678 8,247
Operating incomest expense, netincome, net		3,338 7,310) 393		2,429 (114) 145		30,767 (7,424) 538
Net income	\$ 21 ======	1,421 \$ ====================================	Б ======	2,460	\$	23,881
assetsts receivable, trade	15	7,111 \$	22	59,639 27,324		1,096,750 243,273
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NOTE 9. CONTINGENCIES

In the fall of 1999 and on December 1, 2000, the Company and the Partnership were named as defendants in two separate lawsuits in Jackson County Circuit Court, Jackson County, Indiana, in Ryan E. McCleery and Marcia S. McCleery, et al. v. Texas Eastern Corporation, et al. (including the Company and Partnership) and Gilbert Richards and Jean Richards v. Texas Eastern Corporation, et. al. In both cases plaintiffs contend, among other things, that the Company and other defendants stored and disposed of toxic and hazardous substances and hazardous wastes in a manner that caused the materials to be released into the air, soil and water. They further contend that the release caused damages to the plaintiffs. In their Complaints, the plaintiffs allege strict liability for both personal injury and property damage together with gross negligence, continuing nuisance, trespass, criminal mischief and loss of consortium. The plaintiffs are seeking compensatory, punitive and treble damages. The Company has filed an Answer to both complaints, denying the allegations, as well as various other motions. These cases are in the early stages of discovery and are not covered by insurance. The Company is defending itself vigorously against the lawsuits. The Partnership cannot estimate the loss, if any, associated with these pending lawsuits.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - (CONTINUED) (UNAUDITED)

The Partnership is involved in various other claims and legal proceedings incidental to its business. In the opinion of management, these claims and legal proceedings will not have a material adverse effect on the Partnership's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

The operations of the Partnership are subject to federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to protection of the environment. Although the Partnership believes its operations are in material compliance with applicable environmental regulations, risks of significant costs and liabilities are inherent in pipeline operations, and there can be no assurance that significant costs and liabilities will not be incurred. Moreover, it is possible that other developments, such as increasingly strict environmental laws and regulations and enforcement policies thereunder, and claims for damages to property or persons resulting from the operations of the pipeline system, could result in substantial costs and liabilities to the Partnership. The Partnership does not anticipate that changes in environmental laws and regulations will have a material adverse effect on its financial position, results of operations or cash flows in the near term.

The Partnership and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management ("IDEM") have entered into an Agreed Order that will ultimately result in a remediation program for any on-site and off-site groundwater contamination attributable to the Partnership's operations at the Seymour, Indiana, terminal. A Feasibility Study, which includes the Partnership's proposed remediation program, has been approved by IDEM. IDEM is expected to issue a Record of Decision formally approving the remediation program. After the Record of Decision has been issued, the Partnership will enter into an Agreed Order for the continued operation and maintenance of the program. The Partnership has accrued \$0.5 million at March 31, 2001 for future costs of the remediation program for the Seymour terminal. In the opinion of the Company, the completion of the remediation program will not have a material adverse impact on the Partnership's financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

The Partnership received a compliance order from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") during 1994 relative to potential environmental contamination at the Partnership's Arcadia, Louisiana facility, which may be attributable to the operations of the Partnership and adjacent petroleum terminals of other companies. The Partnership and all adjacent terminals have been assigned to the Groundwater Division of DEQ, in which a consolidated plan will be developed. The Partnership has finalized a negotiated Compliance Order with DEQ that will allow the Partnership to continue with a remediation plan similar to the one previously agreed to by DEQ and implemented by the Company. In the opinion of the General Partner, the completion of the remediation program being proposed by the Partnership will not have a future material adverse impact on the Partnership.

On October 16, 2000 the Partnership received a settlement notice from ARCO for payment of a net aggregate amount of approximately \$12.9 million in post-closing adjustments related to the purchase of the ARCO assets. A large portion of the requested adjustment relates to ARCO's indemnity for payment of accrued income taxes. The Partnership is disputing a substantial portion of the adjustments. The Partnership does not believe that payment of any amount ultimately determined would have a material adverse impact on the Partnership's financial condition and results of operations.

Substantially all of the petroleum products transported and stored by the Partnership are owned by the Partnership's customers. At March 31, 2001, the Partnership had approximately 14.5 million barrels of products in its custody owned by customers. The Partnership is obligated for the transportation, storage and delivery of such products on behalf of its customers. The Partnership maintains insurance adequate to cover product losses through circumstances beyond its control.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - (CONTINUED) (UNAUDITED)

NOTE 10. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

The table below reconciles reported net income to total comprehensive income for the three months ended March 31, 2001 (in thousands).

Net income	\$	25,735
Cumulative effect attributable to adoption of SFAS 133 (see		
Note 2. New Accounting Pronouncements)		(10, 103)
Hedge accounting for derivative instruments		(2,261)
Total comprehensive income	\$	13,371
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The accumulated balance of other comprehensive loss related to cash flow hedges is as follows (in thousands):

Balance at December 31, 2000	\$	
Cumulative effect of accounting change		(10, 103)
Net losses on cash flow hedges		(3,076)
Reclassification adjustments		(815)
Balance at March 31, 2001	\$	(12, 364)
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NOTE 11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

During the first quarter of 2001, Pennzoil-Quaker State Company ("Pennzoil") announced the sale of its Shreveport, Louisiana, refinery. As a result of the sale, it is anticipated that the refinery will stop refined products production. Effective April 1, 2001, Pennzoil and the Downstream Segment negotiated a settlement to terminate a long-term transportation agreement from the Shreveport origin point on the Downstream Segment's pipeline system. The terms of the settlement will result in income of approximately \$18.9 million being recorded during the second quarter of 2001. The termination of the contract is expected to result in a loss of transportation revenue of approximately \$7.7 million during 2001. The Partnership is evaluating various alternatives related to the reduced receipt volumes including making required system changes to allow for reversed product flow to make deliveries into the Shreveport market area. The Partnership has evaluated the impact of the contract termination on the related transportation assets in accordance with SFAS 121 "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to be Disposed Of" and does not expect the contract termination to result in an impairment of the carrying value of the related transportation assets.

On April 6, 2001, the Partnership's \$475 million revolving credit agreement was amended to permit borrowings up to \$500 million and to allow for letters of credit up to \$20 million. The term of the revised credit agreement was extended to April 6, 2004. Additionally, on April 6, 2001, the Partnership entered into a 364-day, \$200 million revolving credit agreement. The interest rate on this agreement will be based on the Partnership's option of either the lender's base rate plus a spread, or LIBOR plus a spread.

On May 11, 1999, the Downstream Segment filed an application with the FERC requesting permission to charge market-based rates for substantially all refined products transportation tariffs. The Downstream Segment also filed a petition for waiver of the requirements that would otherwise have been imposed by the FERC's regulations requiring the Downstream Segment to reduce its rates in conformity with the PPI Index, pending the FERC's determination on its application for market-based rates. On June 30, 1999, the FERC granted the waiver stating that it was temporary in nature and that the Downstream Segment would be required to make refunds, with interest, of all amounts collected under rates in excess of the PPI Index ceiling level after July 1, 1999, if the Downstream Segment's application for market-based rates was ultimately denied. As a result of the refund obligation potential, the Partnership has deferred all revenue recognition of rates charged in excess of the PPI Index. On March 31, 2001, the amount deferred for possible rate refund, including interest totaled approximately \$2.6 million.

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On July 31, 2000, the FERC issued an order granting the Downstream Segment market-based rates in certain markets and set for hearing the Downstream Segment's application for market-based rates in the Little Rock, Arkansas; Shreveport-Arcadia, Louisiana; Cincinnati-Dayton, Ohio; and Memphis, Tennessee, destination markets and the Shreveport, Louisiana, origin market. After the matter was set for hearing, the Downstream Segment and the protesting shippers entered into a settlement agreement resolving their respective differences. On January 9, 2001, the presiding Administrative Law Judge assigned to the hearing determined that the offer of settlement provided resolution of issues set for hearing in the Downstream Segment pending case in a fair and reasonable manner and in the public interest and certified the offer of settlement. On April 25, 2001, the FERC issued an order approving the offer of settlement.

As a result of the FERC approval of the settlement, the Downstream Segment will withdraw the application for market-based rates to the Little Rock, Arkansas, destination market and the Arcadia, Louisiana, destination in the Shreveport-Arcadia, Louisiana, destination market. The Downstream Segment also has agreed to recalculate rates to these destination markets to conform with the PPI Index from July 1, 1999, and make appropriate refunds. The refund obligation under the settlement as of March 31, 2001, was \$1.0 million. As a result of the settlement, the Downstream Segment will recognize approximately \$1.6 million of previously deferred transportation revenue in the second quarter of 2001.

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

GENERAL

The following information is provided to facilitate increased understanding of the 2001 and 2000 interim consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes presented in Item 1. Material period-to-period variances in the consolidated statements of income are discussed under "Results of Operations." The "Financial Condition and Liquidity" section analyzes cash flows and financial position. Discussion included in "Other Matters" addresses key trends, future plans and contingencies. Throughout these discussions, management addresses items known to it that are reasonably likely to materially affect future liquidity or earnings.

Through its ownership of the Downstream Segment and the Upstream Segment, the Partnership operates in two segments,: refined products and LPGs transportation, and crude oil and NGLs transportation and marketing. The Partnership's reportable segments offer different products and services and are managed separately because each requires different business strategies.

The Downstream Segment is involved in the interstate transportation, storage and terminaling of petroleum products and LPGs, intrastate transportation of petrochemicals and the fractionation of NGLs. Revenues are derived from the transportation of refined products and LPGs, the storage and short-haul shuttle transportation of LPGs at the Mont Belvieu, Texas, complex, sale of product inventory and other ancillary services. Labor and electric power costs comprise the two largest operating expense items of the Downstream Segment. Higher natural gas prices increase the cost of electricity used to power pump stations on the Pipeline System. Operations are somewhat seasonal with higher revenues generally realized during the first and fourth quarters of each year. Refined products volumes are generally higher during the second and third quarters because of greater demand for gasolines during the spring and summer driving seasons. LPGs volumes are generally higher from November through March due to higher demand in the Northeast for propane, a major fuel for residential heating.

The Upstream Segment is involved in the transportation, aggregation and marketing of crude oil and NGLs; and the distribution of lube oils and specialty chemicals. Revenues are earned from the gathering, storage, transportation and marketing of crude oil and NGLs; and the distribution of lube oils and specialty chemicals principally in Oklahoma, Texas and the Rocky Mountain region. Marketing operations consist primarily of purchasing and aggregating crude oil along its own and third party gathering and pipeline systems and arranging the necessary logistics for the ultimate sale of crude oil to local refineries, marketers or other end users.

On July 20, 2000, the Partnership completed an acquisition of assets from ARCO for \$322.6 million, which included \$4.1 million of acquisition related costs. The purchase included ARCO's 50-percent ownership interest in Seaway. The Partnership assumed ARCO's role as operator of this pipeline. The Company also acquired ARCO's crude oil terminal facilities in Cushing and Midland, Texas, including the line transfer and pumpover business at each location, an undivided ownership interest in both the Rancho Pipeline and the Basin Pipeline, both of which are operated by another joint owner and the receipt and delivery pipelines known as the West Texas Trunk System, located around the Midland terminal. The transaction was accounted for under the purchase method for accounting purposes. The results of operations of assets acquired have been included in the Upstream Segment since the purchase on July 20, 2000.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Summarized below is financial data by business segment (in thousands):

	QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31,				
	2001	2000			
Operating revenues:					
Downstream Segment	\$ 64,105	\$ 63,778			
Upstream Segment	721,130	686,914			
Total operating revenues	785,235	750,692			
Operating income:					
Downstream Segment	29,362	28,338			
Upstream Segment	6,944	2,429			
Total operating income	36,306	30,767			
Net income:					
Downstream Segment	21,139	21,421			
Upstream Segment	4,596	2,460			
Total net income	\$ 25,735	\$ 23,881			

For the quarter ended March 31, 2001, the Partnership reported net income of \$25.7 million, compared with net income of \$23.9 million for the 2000 first quarter. The \$1.8 million increase in income resulted from a \$2.1 million increase in income provided by the Upstream Segment, comprised of a \$10.3 million increase in margin, a \$2.7 million increase in other operating revenues and \$5.2 million of equity earnings of Seaway, partially offset by a \$8.6 million increase in costs and expenses (excluding purchases of crude oil and petroleum products) and a \$7.5 million increase in interest expense. Net income of the Downstream Segment decreased \$0.3 million from the 2000 first quarter primarily due to a \$1.0 million increase in interest expense (net of capitalized interest) and a \$0.3 million decrease in other income - net, partially offset by a \$0.3 million increase in operating revenues and a \$0.7 million decrease in costs and expenses.

DOWNSTREAM SEGMENT

Volume and average rate information for 2001 and 2000 is presented below:

	QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31,			PERCENTAGE INCREASE	
	2001			2000	(DECREASE)
	(IN	THOUSANDS,	EXCEPT	AVERAGE	RATE INFORMATION)
VOLUMES DELIVERED					
Refined products		27,188		29,613	(8%)
LPGs		11,651		11,693	
Mont Belvieu operations		6,265		7,072	(11%)
Total		45,104		48,378	(7%)
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AVERAGE RATE PER BARREL					
Refined products (a)	\$	0.96	\$	0.95	1%
LPGs		2.15		1.98	9%
Mont Belvieu operations		0.17		0.16	6%
Average system rate per barrel	\$	1.16	\$	1.08	7%
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⁽a) Net of amounts deferred related to potential refund obligation.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - (CONTINUED)

Refined products transportation revenues decreased \$1.8 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001, compared with the prior-year quarter, due to a 8% decrease in total refined products volumes delivered. Motor fuel volumes delivered decreased 16% as a result of lower demand in the Midwest market areas and a local refinery expansion in the West Memphis, Arkansas, market area. Deliveries of methyl tertiary butyl ether ("MTBE") at the Partnership's marine terminal near Beaumont, Texas, decreased 41% due to lower receipts as a result of maintenance activity at a customer's production facility. Natural gasoline volumes delivered decreased 4% from the 2000 first quarter as a result of unfavorable blending and processing economics in the Chicago market area. These decreases were partially offset by a 1% increase in average rate per barrel from the prior-year quarter due to increased long-haul deliveries of distillate in the upper Midwest market areas.

LPGs transportation revenues increased \$1.9 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001, compared with the first quarter of 2000, due primarily to increased deliveries of propane in the upper Midwest market areas attributable to colder weather in 2001 and favorable price differentials. These increases were partially offset by decreased short-haul deliveries of propane due to operational problems at a petrochemical facility on the upper Texas Gulf Coast that is served by the Partnership. The LPGs average rate per barrel increased 9% from the prior-year quarter as a result of a decreased percentage of short-haul deliveries during the first quarter of 2001.

Revenues generated from Mont Belvieu operations decreased \$1.6 million during the quarter ended March 31, 2001, compared with the first quarter of 2000, as a result of lower contract storage revenue.

Other operating revenues increased \$1.9 million during the quarter ended March 31, 2001, compared with the prior year quarter, due primarily to contract petrochemical delivery revenue, which started during the fourth quarter of 2000, and increased deliveries from the Partnership's Providence, Rhode Island, import facility. This increase was partially offset by decreased product sales during 2001.

Costs and expenses decreased \$0.7 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001, compared with the first quarter of 2000, primarily due to a \$2.5 million decrease in operating, general and administrative expenses, partially offset by a \$0.8 million increase in operating fuel and power expense, a \$0.6 million increase in taxes - other than income taxes expense and a \$0.4 million increase in depreciation and amortization expense. The decrease in operating, general and administrative expenses resulted primarily from a March 2000 write-off of project evaluation costs related to the proposed pipeline construction from Beaumont, Texas, to Little Rock, Arkansas, decreased contract labor and consulting charges, decreased product measurement expense, decreased labor and benefits expense, and decreased throughput-related rental expense on volumes received through the connection with Colonial Pipeline at Beaumont, Texas. Operating fuel and power expense increased as a result of increased mainline throughput and higher fuel prices. The increase in taxes - other than income taxes and depreciation and amortization expenses from the prior year first quarter was a result of assets placed in service during the later part of 2000.

Interest expense increased \$0.4 million during the quarter ended March 31, 2001, compared with the first quarter of 2000, as a result of borrowings under the Sun Trust credit facilities. Additionally, amortization of debt issuance costs related to debt refinancing in July 2000 resulted in increased interest expense. Interest capitalized decreased \$0.7 million during the quarter ended March 31, 2001, compared with the corresponding prior year period, as a result of the completion of the petrochemical pipelines from Mont Belvieu, Texas, and Port Arthur, Texas, during the fourth quarter of 2000.

Other income - net decreased \$0.3 million during the quarter ended March 31, 2001, compared with the first quarter of 2000, due primarily to lower interest income earned on cash investments.

UPSTREAM SEGMENT

Margin of the Upstream Segment is calculated as revenues generated from the sale of crude oil and lubrication oil, and transportation of crude oil and NGLs, less the costs of purchases of crude oil and lubrication oil. Margin is a more meaningful measure of financial performance than operating revenues and operating expenses due to the significant fluctuations in revenues and expense caused by variations in the level of marketing activity and prices for products marketed.

Margin and volume information for 2001 and 2000 is presented below (in thousands, except per barrel and per gallon amounts):

		QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31,			PERCENTAGE INCREASE
		2001		2000	(DECREASE)
Margins:					
Crude oil transportation	\$	8,125 3,551 2,128 4,876 1,134	\$	4,866 2,250 1,759 626	67% 58% 177% 81%
Total margin	\$	19,814	\$ ====	9,501 ======	109% ========
Total barrels:					
Crude oil transportation		15,745 29,661 24,662 4,762		8,727 24,541 1,214	80% 21% 292%
Lubrication oil volume (total gallons)		2,255		2,303	(2%)
Margin per barrel: Crude oil transportation Crude oil marketing Crude oil terminaling NGL transportation	\$ \$ \$ \$	0.516 0.120 0.086 1.024	\$ \$	0.558 0.092 1.449	(8%) 30% (29%)
Lubrication oil margin (per gallon)	\$	0.503	\$	0.272	85%

Margin increased \$10.3 million during the first quarter of 2001, compared with the first quarter of 2000. The increase was comprised of a \$3.3 million increase in crude oil transportation; a \$3.1 million increase in NGL transportation; a \$2.1 million increase in crude oil terminaling attributable to pumpover fees charged at Midland, Texas, and Cushing, Oklahoma, related to the ARCO assets acquired in July 2000; a \$1.3 million increase in crude oil marketing activity; and a \$0.5 million increase in lubrication oil sales. The increase in crude oil transportation margin was primarily due to \$2.0 million contributed by the ARCO assets acquired, \$0.4 million contributed from pipeline assets acquired from Ultramar Diamond Shamrock Corporation ("UDS") on March 1, 2001, and \$0.7 million from increased volume on the South Texas and Red River systems, which benefited from increased regional production. The increase in crude oil marketing margin resulted from an increase in volumes marketed, coupled with an increase in the margin realized per barrel. The increase in NGL transportation margin was primarily due to \$3.7 million contributed from the Panola system acquired on December 31, 2000, partially offset by a \$0.6 million decrease in margin related to the Dean and Wilcox pipeline systems in South Texas. Margin contributed from lubrication oil sales increased \$0.5 million due primarily to the discontinuation of low margin fuel oil sales, effective April 2000.

Other operating revenue of the Upstream Segment included \$2.7 million of revenue related to documentation and other services to support customer's trading activity at Midland, Texas, and Cushing, Oklahoma. Such revenues were added to the Partnership's business on July 20, 2000, with the acquired ARCO assets.

Costs and expenses, excluding expenses associated with purchases of crude oil and petroleum products, increased \$8.5 million during the quarter ended March 31, 2001, compared with the prior year quarter, comprised of a \$6.2 million increase in operating, general and administrative expenses, a \$1.3 million increase in depreciation and amortization expense, a \$0.8 million increase in taxes - other than income taxes, and a \$0.3 million increase in operating fuel and power expense. The increase in operating, general and administrative expenses was primarily attributable to operating expenses of the acquired assets, increased labor related costs and increased general and administrative supplies and services expense. The increases in depreciation and amortization expense, taxes - other than income taxes, and operating fuel and power expense were primarily attributable to assets acquired subsequent to the first quarter of 2000.

Net income of the Upstream Segment included \$5.2 million of equity earnings in Seaway, which was added to the Partnership's business on July 20, 2000, with the acquired ARCO assets.

Interest expense increased \$7.5 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001, compared with the prior year quarter, primarily due to interest expense on the term loan and revolving credit facilities used to finance the acquisition of acquired assets.

FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY

Net cash from operations for the quarter ended March 31, 2001, totaled \$22.6 million, comprised of \$35.6 million of income before charges for depreciation and amortization, partially offset by \$13.0 million of cash used for working capital changes. Net cash from operations for the quarter ended March 31, 2000, totaled \$28.8 million, comprised of \$32.1 million of income before charges for depreciation and amortization, partially offset by \$3.3 million of cash used for working capital changes. Net cash from operations for the three months ended March 31, 2001 and 2000 included interest payments of \$26.7 million and \$13.8 million, respectively.

Cash flows used in investing activities during the first three months of 2001 was comprised of \$20.0 million for the purchase of assets from UDS on March 1, 2001, \$10.9 million of capital expenditures, and \$2.9 million of cash contributions for the Partnership's interest in the Centennial joint venture. These uses of cash were partially offset by \$1.3 million of cash received from the sale of vehicles and \$1.0 million received on matured cash investments. Cash flows used in investing activities during the first three months of 2000 was comprised of \$18.0 million of capital expenditures.

The Partnership estimates that capital expenditures, excluding acquisitions, for 2001 will be approximately \$72 million (which includes \$3 million of capitalized interest). Approximately \$46 million is expected to be used to expand the Partnership's capacity to support the receipt connection point with Centennial at Beaumont, Texas, and delivery location at Creal Springs, Illinois. Approximately one-half of the remaining amount is expected to be used for revenue-generating projects, with the remaining amount to be used for life-cycle replacements and upgrading current facilities.

On July 14, 2000, the Partnership entered into a \$75 million term loan and a \$475 million revolving credit facility. On July 21, 2000, the Partnership borrowed \$75 million under the term loan and \$340 million under the revolving credit facility. The funds were used to finance the acquisition of the ARCO assets and to refinance existing credit facilities, other than the Senior Notes. The term loan was repaid from proceeds received from the issuance of additional Limited Partner Units on October 25, 2000. The revolving facility has a three year maturity. The interest rate is based on the Partnership's option of either the lender's base rate plus a spread, or LIBOR plus a spread in effect at the time of the borrowings. The credit agreements contain restrictive financial covenants that require the Partnership to maintain a minimum level of partners' capital as well as maximum debt-to-EBITDA (earnings before interest expense, income tax expense and depreciation and amortization expense) and minimum

fixed charge coverage ratios. At March 31, 2001, \$413 million was outstanding under the revolving credit facility at a weighted average interest rate of 6.4%.

On April 6, 2001, the Partnership's \$475 million revolving credit agreement was amended to permit borrowings up to \$500 million and to allow for letters of credit up to \$20 million. The term of the revised credit agreement was extended to April 6, 2004. Additionally, on April 6, 2001, the Partnership entered into a 364-day, \$200 million revolving credit agreement. The interest rate on this agreement will be based on the Partnership's option of either the lender's base rate plus a spread, or LIBOR plus a spread.

The Partnership paid the fourth quarter 2000 cash distribution of \$24.0 million (\$0.525 per Limited Partner Unit and Class B Unit) on February 2, 2001. On April 20, 2001, the Partnership declared a cash distribution of \$0.525 per Limited Partner Unit and Class B Unit for the three months ended March 31, 2001. The distribution was paid on May 4, 2001 to Unitholders of record on April 30, 2001.

On February 6, 2001, the Partnership completed the issuance of 2.0 million Limited Partner Units at \$25.50 per Unit. The net proceeds from the offering totaled approximately \$48.5 million and was used to reduce borrowings under the revolving credit facility. On March 6, 2001, 250,000 Units were issued in connection with the over-allotment provision of the offering on February 6, 2001. Proceeds from the Units issued from the over-allotment totaled \$6.1 million. The offerings brought the total number of Limited Partner and Class B Units outstanding to 38.9 million as of March 6, 2001.

During the first quarter of 2001, Pennzoil-Quaker State Company ("Pennzoil") announced the sale of its Shreveport, Louisiana, refinery. As a result of the sale, it is anticipated that the refinery will stop refined products products production. Effective April 1, 2001, Pennzoil and the Downstream Segment negotiated a settlement to terminate a long-term transportation agreement from the Shreveport origin point on the Downstream Segment's pipeline system. The terms of the settlement will result in income of approximately \$18.9 million during the second quarter of 2001. The termination of the contract is expected to result in a loss of transportation revenue of approximately \$7.7 million during 2001. The Partnership is evaluating various alternatives related to the reduced receipt volumes including making required system changes to allow for reversed product flow to make deliveries into the Shreveport market area. The Partnership has evaluated the impact of the contract termination on the related transportation assets in accordance with SFAS 121 "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to be Disposed Of" and does not expect the contract termination to result in an impairment of the carrying value of the related transportation assets.

During the second quarter of 2001, the Partnership expects to issue fixed-rate debt securities with a maturity of ten years. The proceeds from the anticipated transaction are expected to be used to pay down a portion of the principal amounts under current revolving credit agreements. In connection with the proposed offering, the Partnership has entered into forward treasury lock transactions to partially hedge its exposure to interest rate increases. The treasury lock agreements were based on a total notional amount of \$400 million. On April 10, 2001, \$200 million of the notional amount of the treasury lock agreements were terminated with a realized gain of \$1.1 million, which has been included in other comprehensive income and will be amortized into interest expense over the term of the debt.

OTHER MATTERS

The operations of the Partnership are subject to federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to protection of the environment. Although the Partnership believes its operations are in material compliance with applicable environmental regulations, risks of significant costs and liabilities are inherent in pipeline operations, and there can be no assurance that significant costs and liabilities will not be incurred. Moreover, it is possible that other developments, such as increasingly strict environmental laws and regulations and enforcement policies thereunder, and claims for damages to property or persons resulting from the operations of the pipeline system, could result in substantial costs and liabilities to the Partnership. The Partnership does not anticipate that changes in environmental

laws and regulations will have a material adverse effect on its financial position, results of operations or cash flows in the near term.

The Partnership and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management ("IDEM") have entered into an Agreed Order that will ultimately result in a remediation program for any on-site and off-site groundwater contamination attributable to the Partnership's operations at the Seymour, Indiana, terminal. A Feasibility Study, which includes the Partnership's proposed remediation program, has been approved by IDEM. IDEM is expected to issue a Record of Decision formally approving the remediation program. After the Record of Decision has been issued, the Partnership will enter into an Agreed Order for the continued operation and maintenance of the program. The Partnership has accrued \$0.5 million at March 31, 2001 for future costs of the remediation program for the Seymour terminal. In the opinion of the Company, the completion of the remediation program will not have a material adverse impact on the Partnership's financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

The Partnership received a compliance order from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") during 1994 relative to potential environmental contamination at the Partnership's Arcadia, Louisiana facility, which may be attributable to the operations of the Partnership and adjacent petroleum terminals of other companies. The Partnership and all adjacent terminals have been assigned to the Groundwater Division of DEQ, in which a consolidated plan will be developed. The Partnership has finalized a negotiated Compliance Order with DEQ that will allow the Partnership to continue with a remediation plan similar to the one previously agreed to by DEQ and implemented by the Company. In the opinion of the General Partner, the completion of the remediation program being proposed by the Partnership will not have a future material adverse impact on the Partnership.

On October 16, 2000 the Partnership received a settlement notice from ARCO for payment of a net aggregate amount of approximately \$12.9 million in post-closing adjustments related to the purchase of the ARCO assets. A large portion of the requested adjustment relates to ARCO's indemnity for payment of accrued income taxes. The Partnership is disputing a substantial portion of the adjustments. The Partnership does not believe that payment of any amount ultimately determined would have a material adverse impact on the Partnership's financial condition and results of operations.

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The matters discussed herein include "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of various provisions of the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included in this document that address activities, events or developments that the Partnership expects or anticipates will or may occur in the future, including such things as estimated future capital expenditures (including the amount and nature thereof), business strategy and measures to implement strategy, competitive strengths, goals, expansion and growth of the Partnership's business and operations, plans, references to future success, references to intentions as to future matters and other such matters are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by the Partnership in light of its experience and its perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments as well as other factors it believes are appropriate under the circumstances. However, whether actual results and developments will conform with the Partnership's expectations and predictions is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, including general economic, market or business conditions, the opportunities (or lack thereof) that may be presented to and pursued by the Partnership, competitive actions by other pipeline companies, changes in laws or regulations, and other factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Partnership. Consequently, all of the forward-looking statements made in this document are qualified by these cautionary statements and there can be no assurance that actual results or developments anticipated by the Partnership will be realized or, even if substantially realized, that they will have the expected consequences to or effect on the Partnership or its business or operations. For additional discussion of such risks and uncertainties, see TEPPCO Partners, L.P.'s 2000 Annual Report on Form 10-K and other filings made by the Partnership with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The Partnership may be exposed to market risk through changes in commodity prices and interest rates as discussed below. The Partnership has no foreign exchange risks. Risk management policies have been established by the Risk Management Committee to monitor and control these market risks. The Risk Management Committee is comprised of senior executives of the Company.

At March 31, 2001, the Downstream Segment had outstanding \$180 million principal amount of 6.45% Senior Notes due 2008, and \$210 million principal amount of 7.51% Senior Notes due 2028 (collectively the "Senior Notes"). At March 31, 2001, the estimated fair value of the Senior Notes was approximately \$391 million.

From time to time, the Partnership has utilized and expects to continue to utilize derivative financial instruments with respect to a portion of its interest rate risks and its crude oil marketing activities to achieve a more predictable cash flow by reducing its exposure to interest rate and crude oil price fluctuations. These transactions generally are swaps and forwards and are entered into with major financial institutions or commodities trading institutions. Derivative financial instruments used in the Partnership's Upstream Segment are intended to reduce the Partnership's exposure to fluctuations in the market price of crude oil, while derivative financial instruments related to the Partnership's interest rate risks are intended to reduce the Partnership's exposure to increases in the benchmark interest rates underlying the Partnership's variable rate revolving credit facility. Through December 31, 2000, gains and losses from financial instruments used in the Partnership's Upstream Segment have been recognized in revenues for the periods to which the derivative financial instruments relate and gain and losses from its interest rate financial instruments have been recognized in interest expense for the periods to which the derivative financial instrument relate.

QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK - (CONTINUED)

Adoption of SFAS 133 at January 1, 2001 resulted in the recognition of \$10.1 million of derivative liabilities, \$4.1 million of which are included in current liabilities and \$6.0 million of which are included in other noncurrent liabilities on the Partnership's balance sheet, and \$10.1 million of hedging losses included in accumulated other comprehensive loss, a component of Partners' capital, as the cumulative effect of the change in accounting principle. The hedging losses included in accumulated other comprehensive loss will be transferred to earnings as the forecasted transactions actually occur. Approximately \$4.1 million of the loss included in accumulated other comprehensive loss as of January 1, 2001 is anticipated to be transferred into earnings over the next twelve months. The cumulative effect of the accounting change had no effect on the Partnership's net income or its earnings per Unit amounts for the quarter ended March 31, 2001. Amounts were determined as of January 1, 2001 based on quoted market values, the Partnership's portfolio of derivative instruments, and the Partnership's measurement of hedge effectiveness.

As of March 31, 2001, the Upstream Segment had open positions on certain speculative option contracts. During the three months ended March 31, 2001, a loss of \$13,000 was recognized on such contracts.

Also as of March 31, 2001, the Partnership had in place an interest rate swap agreement to hedge its exposure to increases in the benchmark interest rate underlying the variable rate revolving credit facilities. The swap agreement is based on a notional amount of \$250 million. Under the swap agreement, the Partnership pays a fixed rate of interest of 7.17% and receives a floating rate based on a three month USD LIBOR rate. The interest rate swap is designated as a cash flow hedge, therefore, the changes in fair value, to the extent the swap is effective, are recognized in other comprehensive income until the hedged interest costs are recognized in earnings. During the quarter ended March 31, 2001, the Partnership recognized \$0.8 million in losses, included in interest expense, on the interest rate swap attributable to interest costs occurring in the first quarter of 2001. No gain or loss from ineffectiveness was required to be recognized. The fair value of the interest rate swap agreement was a loss of approximately \$13.7 million at March 31, 2001. Approximately \$6.1 million (inclusive of the \$4.1 million related to the cumulative effect of the accounting change not yet recognized) of such amount is anticipated to be transferred into earnings over the next twelve months.

During the first quarter of 2001, the Partnership executed three treasury rate lock agreements to hedge its exposure to increases in the treasury rate that will be used to establish the fixed interest rate for the debt offering that is probable to occur in the second quarter of 2001. The treasury rate lock agreements are based on notional amounts of \$200 million, \$100 million and \$100 million. Under the treasury rate lock agreements, the Partnership pays a fixed rate of interest of 5.0%, 4.9% and 4.8%, respectively, and receives a floating rate based on the three month treasury rate. The treasury rate locks are designated as cash flow hedges, therefore, the changes in fair value, to the extent the treasury rate locks are effective, are recognized in other comprehensive income until the actual debt offering occurs. Upon completion of the debt offering, the realized gain or loss on the treasury rate locks will be amortized out of accumulated other comprehensive income into interest expense over the life of the debt obligation. The fair value of the three treasury rate locks was a gain of approximately \$1.3 million at March 31, 2001.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K.

(a) Exhibits:

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Report dated January 18, 2001, on Form 8-K was filed on January 24, 2001, pursuant to Item 5. of such form.

Report dated January 31, 2001, on Form 8-K was filed on February 5, 2001, pursuant to Item 5. of such form.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized officer and principal financial officer.

TEPPCO Partners, L.P. (Registrant)

By: Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Company, LLC, as General Partner

/s/ WILLIAM L. THACKER
William L. Thacker
Chief Executive Officer

/s/ CHARLES H. LEONARD

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EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

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WHEREAS, TEPPCO and Executive desire to enter into an agreement for the full time services of Executive; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire that this Agreement set forth the terms and conditions of Executive's employment by TEPPCO and that it represents the entire agreement of the parties with respect to that subject;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants contained herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. Employment. TEPPCO hereby employs Executive, and Executive hereby accepts such employment, upon the terms and conditions set forth herein. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a summary of Executive's compensation package.
 - 2. Position and Duties.
 - (a) Position. At all times during the term of employment under this Agreement, Executive shall serve as President and Chief Operating Officer of TEPPCO ("COO") and shall report directly to the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of TEPPCO, provided that in the event the Board of Directors of TEPPCO ("Board") subsequently shall appoint Executive to a more senior position with TEPPCO, the Executive shall

serve in such position. It is expressly understood that nothing in the immediately foregoing sentence shall preclude the CEO from making such organizational and reporting changes as well as promotions as the CEO may in good faith deem desirable for the good of TEPPCO.

- (b) Duties. Executive's duties shall include, in addition to those enumerated in the Limited Liability Agreement of TEPPCO, managing such functions or segments of TEPPCO's or TEPPCO Partners, L.P.'s ("Partnership") business as may be directed from time-to-time by the CEO or the Board. Executive acknowledges and agrees that whatever his duties hereunder may be, he owes TEPPCO a duty of loyalty, fidelity and allegiance to act at all times in the best interests of TEPPCO and the Partnership and to do no act that would injure TEPPCO's or the Partnership's reputation.
- (c) Performance. Throughout the period of employment Executive shall devote his full time and undivided attention during normal business hours to the business and affairs of TEPPCO and the Partnership except for reasonable vacation periods and except for periods of illness or incapacity. Executive may reasonably participate as a member in community, civic or similar organizations and may pursue personal investments that do not interfere with the normal business activities of TEPPCO or the Partnership.
- (d) Loyal and Conscientious Performance. Executive shall act at all times in compliance with the policies, rules and decisions adopted $\,$

from time-to-time by TEPPCO and perform all duties and obligations required of him by this Agreement in a loyal and conscientious manner.

- (e) Location. Executive's office shall be located in Houston, Texas, or such other place as CEO shall designate.
- (f) Authority. Executive shall be vested with all authority reasonably necessary to carry out his duties and responsibilities as set forth in this Section 2.
- 3. Term of Employment. The term of employment pursuant to this Agreement shall commence on February 12, 2001 and shall continue until terminated as hereinafter provided.
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- 7. Relocation Expenses. TEPPCO will pay or reimburse Executive (promptly after receipt of supporting documentation from time to time) for expenses incurred by Executive in relocating his principal residence to Houston, Texas, in accordance with the Duke Energy Employee Relocation Policy ("Guide"); provided that in the event Executive terminates employment hereunder before two full years of the employment has been completed due to Executive's resignation or early termination pursuant to subsection 9(a)(iii) as set forth below, Executive shall promptly repay to TEPPCO a lump sum amount equal to the full costs incurred by TEPPCO in providing Executive with homesale assistance, as described in the Guide.
- 8. Confidentiality. Executive shall not, at any time, use (other than in the ordinary course of fulfilling his duties as an employee of TEPPCO), divulge or otherwise disclose, either directly or indirectly, any confidential or proprietary information (including without limitation any customer or prospect list, supplier list, acquisition or merger targets, business plans or strategies, data, records, or financial information) concerning the business, policies or operations of TEPPCO, Partnership or their affiliates, which Executive may have learned on or prior to the date hereof or during the term of Executive's employment by TEPPCO (as employee, consultant, shareholder, officer, controlling person, agent or otherwise) and which information is not generally known to the public. Executive's obligations under this Section 8 shall survive any termination of his employment.

9. Termination.

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, Executive may terminate his employment at any time by resigning, and Executive's employment may be terminated by TEPPCO at any time as follows:
 - (i) due to the death of Executive;
 - (ii) due to a disability which prevents Executive from performing the essential functions of his full duties for a period of ninety (90) consecutive business days at anytime during the term of this Agreement;
 - (iii) for cause, which shall mean (w) the willful and continued failure by Executive to substantially perform his duties with TEPPCO or the Partnership or their affiliates (other than any such failure resulting from his incapacity due to physical or mental illness) after demand for substantial performance is delivered to him by the CEO which specifically identifies the manner in which the CEO believes the Executive has not substantially performed his duties, (x) the willful engaging by the Executive in gross misconduct materially and demonstrably injurious to the property or business of TEPPCO, Partnership or any of their affiliates, (y) the willful material violation of Section 8, or (z) fraud, misappropriation or commission of a felony. For purposes of this subsection, no act or failure to act on the

Executive's part will be considered "willful" unless done or omitted to be done, by him not in good faith and without reasonable belief that his action or omission was in the best interest of the TEPPCO or the Partnership or not opposed to the interests of TEPPCO or the Partnership.

- (iv) for any reason other than death, disability or for cause.
- (b) In the event of Executive's resignation or early termination pursuant to subsections 9(a)(i), (ii), or (iii) directly above, Executive shall be entitled only to his base salary earned through the date of termination. Executive's rights to any bonus shall be forfeited, but the termination shall not affect any rights of Executive that have become vested under any employee benefit plan or arrangement. In the event that TEPPCO terminates Executive pursuant to subsection 9(a)(iv) above, Executive shall be entitled to his base salary earned through the date of termination plus a severance payment calculated in accordance with the provisions of Section 10(a) hereof.
- (c) This Agreement does not create any obligation on the part of TEPPCO or Executive for continued employment for a fixed period of time and in that regard, Executive shall be an employee-at-will whose employment can be terminated at any time for any reason by TEPPCO or Executive. If TEPPCO decides to terminate Executive, TEPPCO will cooperate with Executive in determining when and how to announce such

termination. Executive shall not receive any compensation for any period of time post-termination, except for the severance benefits provided in Section 10 hereof.

10. Severance Payment.

- (a) In the event that within twelve (12) months following a change in control as set forth in Section 10(b), Executive's employment shall be involuntarily terminated or Executive shall have a reduction in responsibility, he shall be entitled to a lump sum severance payment equal to two (2) times his base annual salary plus two (2) times target bonus. For the purposes of this Section 10(a), target bonus will be the dollar amount approved under the MICP at the most recent January meeting of the Compensation Committee.
- (b) For the purposes of this Section 10, a "change in control" shall be deemed to have occurred if:
 - (i) any person becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of Partnership representing 66 2/3% or more of the Partnership's then outstanding units of limited partnership interests (the "Units"); or
 - (ii) any person becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of 50% or more of the Units and TEPPCO delivers notice of withdrawal or is otherwise removed as the general partner of the Partnership; or

- (iii) the merger or consolidation of Partnership with one or more corporations, business trusts, common law trusts or unincorporated businesses, including, without limitation, a general partnership, limited liability company or limited partnership, pursuant to a written agreement of merger or consolidation in accordance with Article 16 of the Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of TEPPCO Partners, L.P., dated November 30, 1998, as may from time-to-time be amended and TEPPCO delivers notice of withdrawal or is otherwise removed as the general partner of the Partnership; or
- (iv) any person is or becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of TEPPCO representing more than 50% of the combined voting power of TEPPCO's then outstanding voting securities; or
- (v) all or substantially all of the assets and business of TEPPCO, or the Partnership are sold, transferred or assigned to, or otherwise acquired by, any other person or persons; or
- (vi) the dissolution or liquidation of Partnership or TEPPCO; or $\ensuremath{\mathsf{TEPPCO}}$

(vii) adoption by the Board of a resolution to the effect that any person has acquired effective control of the business and affairs of TEPPCO, or the Partnership.

- (c) The term "beneficial owner" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and in the regulations promulgated thereunder. The term "person" shall mean an individual, corporation, partnership, trust, unincorporated business organization, association or other entity provided that the term "person" shall not include (i) Duke Energy Corporation ("Duke"), (ii) any affiliate of Duke, or (iii) any employee benefit plan maintained by Duke or any affiliate of Duke. The term "affiliate" or "affiliated" as used in this Agreement shall mean when used with respect to a specified person or entity, any other person or entity directly or indirectly controlled by, controlling, or under direct or indirect common control with the specified person or entity. For the purpose of this Section 10, "control" or "controlled" when used with respect to any specified person or entity means the power to direct the management and policies of that person or entity whether through the ownership of voting securities, membership interest or by contract.
- 11. Notice. Any notice to be given hereunder by either party to the other party may be effectuated either by personal delivery in writing or by mail, registered or certified, postage prepaid, with return receipt requested. Mailed notices shall be addressed to the parties at the following addresses:

If to TEPPCO:

Mr. William L. Thacker CEO Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Company, LLC 2929 Allen Parkway Houston, Texas 77019

If to Executive:

Mr. Barry R. Pearl

- 12. Waiver of Breach. The waiver by any party to a breach of any provision in this Agreement cannot operate or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by a party.
- 13. Severability. The invalidity or unenforceability of any particular provision in this Agreement shall not affect the other provisions hereof, and this Agreement shall be construed in all respects as if the invalid or unenforceable provision were omitted.
- 14. Entire Agreement. Except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement contains the entire understanding of the parties as to the employment of Executive, superseding all prior understandings and agreements, and no modifications or amendments of the terms and conditions herein shall be effective unless in writing and signed by the parties or their respective duly authorized agents.
- 15. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be interpreted, construed and governed according to the laws of the State of Texas, without reference to conflicts of law principles thereof.
- 16. Dispute Resolution. In the event any dispute arises concerning the provisions of this Agreement or Executive's employment with TEPPCO, the parties agree that such dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Employment Dispute Resolution procedures of the

American Arbitration Association and that any arbitration pursuant to such procedures shall be held in Houston, Texas.

- 17. Consent to Jurisdiction. Executive hereby consents to the nonexclusive jurisdiction of any state court within Houston, Texas or any federal court located within the same city for any proceeding instituted hereunder or arising out of or in connection with this Agreement.
- 18. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their permitted successors, assigns, legal representatives and heirs, but neither this Agreement nor any rights hereunder shall be assignable by Executive.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

TEXAS EASTERN PRODUCTS PIPELINE COMPANY, LLC

By: /s/ WILLIAM L. THACKER

Chief Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE

Barry R. Pearl

AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT

AMONG

TEPPCO PARTNERS, L.P. AS BORROWER,

SUNTRUST BANK,
AS ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND LC ISSUING BANK

AND

CERTAIN LENDERS, AS LENDERS

DATED AS OF APRIL 6, 2001

\$500,000,000 REVOLVING FACILITY

SUNTRUST EQUITABLE SECURITIES CORPORATION, AS SOLE LEAD ARRANGER

UBS WARBURG, LLC AND FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK, AS CO-SYNDICATION AGENTS

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AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT (this "AGREEMENT") is entered into as of April 6, 2001, among TEPPCO PARTNERS, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (the "BORROWER"), the Lenders (defined below) and SUNTRUST BANK ("SUNTRUST"), as the Administrative Agent for the Lenders and as the issuer of Letters of Credit (defined below) (the "LC ISSUING BANK").

The Borrower, the Lenders and SunTrust entered into a Credit Agreement, dated as of July 14, 2000 and the Amendment thereto, dated as of July 14, 2000 (as so amended, the "ORIGINAL CREDIT AGREEMENT").

The Borrower, the Lenders and SunTrust wish to: (A) amend and restate the Original Credit Agreement in its entirety on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein so that the Original Credit Agreement, as so amended and restated, reads in its entirety as provided herein; and (B) continue the indebtedness of the Borrower outstanding under the Original Credit Agreement and provide additional financing commitments to the Borrower in the form of a revolving credit facility not to exceed at any one time outstanding \$500,000,000 (as that amount may be reduced or canceled pursuant to this Agreement) to be used by the Borrower as provided in Section 7.1. The Borrower has further requested that (1) up to \$20,000,000 of the Commitments (as defined herein) be made available in the form of Letters of Credit issued from time to time by the LC Issuing Bank at the request and for the account of the Borrower and (2) the Lenders participate in the Letters of Credit and in the reimbursement obligations of the Borrower to the LC Issuing Bank. The Lenders are willing to extend the requested loans and to participate in Letters of Credit and the Borrower's reimbursement obligations thereunder, and the LC Issuing Bank is willing to issue Letters of Credit, in each case, on the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

ACCORDINGLY, for adequate and sufficient consideration, the Borrower, the Lenders, the LC Issuing Bank and the Administrative Agent agree as follows:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS AND TERMS

SECTION 1.1. DEFINITIONS.

As used in the Credit Documents:

"ACQUISITION" by any Person means any transaction or series of transactions on or after the date hereof pursuant to which that Person directly or indirectly, whether in the form of a capital expenditure, an Investment, a merger, a consolidation or otherwise and whether through a solicitation of tender of Equity Interests, one or more negotiated block, market, private or other transactions, or any combination of the foregoing, purchases (a) all or substantially all of the business or assets of any other Person or operating division or business unit of any other Person, or (b) more than 25% of the Equity Interests in any other Person.

"ADDITIONAL DEBT" means Funded Debt issued or incurred by any Company after the date hereof, other than Funded Debt under this Agreement and Funded Debt (a) that is Permitted Non-Recourse Debt of any Person used for the purposes described in clause (i) of the definition of "Permitted Non-Recourse Debt" or (b) the proceeds of which are used to refinance the Senior Notes, provided that the principal amount of the refinancing shall not exceed the sum of (i) the principal amount of, and accrued interest on, the Senior Notes so refinanced and (ii) reasonable fees and expenses and the premium, if any, incurred in connection with any such refinancing.

"ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT" means, at any time, SunTrust Bank (or its successor appointed under Section 13.1), acting as administrative agent for the Lenders under the Credit Documents.

"AERIE" means Aerie Networks, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"AERIE LEASES" means (a) the Master Fiber Optics Agreement, dated September 1, 2000, between Aerie and TE Products, pursuant to which TE Products has leased to Aerie a portion of TE Product's pipeline right-of-way for Aerie's installation, construction, operation and maintenance of a telecommunications network and related facilities, and (b) the Master Fiber Optics Agreement, dated September 1, 2000, between Aerie and TEPPCO Crude Pipeline, pursuant to which TEPPCO Crude Pipeline has leased to Aerie a portion of TEPPCO Crude Pipeline's pipeline right-of-way for Aerie's installation, construction, operation and maintenance of a telecommunications network and related facilities, in each case as amended from time to time.

"AFFILIATE" of a Person means any other individual or entity that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by or is under common control with that Person. For purposes of this definition, (a) "control", "controlled by" and "under common control with" mean possession, directly or indirectly, of power to direct or cause the direction of management or policies (whether through ownership of voting securities or other interests, by contract or otherwise), and (b) the General Partner and all of the Companies are Affiliates with each other.

"AGREEMENT" is defined in the preamble to this Agreement.

"APPLICABLE MARGIN" means, for any Borrowing, (i) on any date the Utilization Percentage equals or is less than 50%, the number of basis points set forth below in the columns identified as Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4 or Level 5, opposite the Base Rate or LIBOR Rate, as applicable, and (ii) on any date the Utilization Percentage exceeds 50%, the number of basis points set forth below in the columns identified as Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4 or Level 5, opposite the Utilized Base Rate or Utilized LIBOR Rate, as applicable.

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 5
BASIS FOR PRICING	REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST A- BY S&P AND A3 BY MOODY'S	LEAST BBB+ BY S&P AND Baa1 BY	REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST BBB BY S&P AND Baa2 BY MOODY'S	RATING AT LEAST BBB- BY S&P AND Baa3 BY	REFERENCE RATING LOWER THAN LEVEL 4
LIBOR Rate	62.5	72.5	85.0	100.0	137.5
Base Rate	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Utilized LIBOR Rate	72.5	85.0	97.5	115.0	155.0
Utilized Base Rate	10.0	12.5	12.5	15.0	17.5

The Applicable Margin will be based upon the Level corresponding to the Reference Rating, and the corresponding Utilization Percentage, in each case in effect at the time of determination. For any LIBOR Rate Borrowing, the Applicable Margin will be based upon the Level corresponding to the Reference Rating, and the corresponding Utilization Percentage, in each case in effect on the initial day of the Interest Period for such Borrowing. For each Base Rate Borrowing, the Applicable Margin will be based upon the Level corresponding to the Reference Rating, and the corresponding Utilization Percentage, in each case in effect on its Borrowing Date, and each change to such Applicable Margin for such Borrowing which subsequently results from a change in the Reference Rating or Utilization Percentage, as the case may be, shall be effective on the date on which the applicable rating agency announces the applicable change in ratings or such Utilization Percentage changes, as the case may be.

"ASSET DISPOSITION" means, with respect to the Borrower or any Significant Subsidiary, any sale, transfer, conveyance, lease or other disposition (including by way of merger, consolidation or sale-leaseback, but excluding any statutory conversion) by the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary to any other Person (other than by any Person to the Borrower or a Guarantor or by a Significant Subsidiary to any other Significant Subsidiary) of any assets of the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary (including, without limitation, any Equity Interests owned by the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary). The term "Asset Disposition" shall not include (i) dispositions of inventory in the ordinary course of business, (ii) dispositions of other assets in the ordinary course of business having a Diluted Value of not more than \$25 million in the aggregate during any fiscal year of the Borrower, (iii) dispositions of assets the proceeds of which are reinvested in other assets used by or useful to the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary in conducting its customary business if (A) a binding purchase, subscription or similar agreement relating to such reinvestment is entered into within 180 days after the receipt of all or substantially all of the cash proceeds from the disposition of such assets and (B) the Net Cash Proceeds from such disposition are so reinvested within one year after the receipt of such cash proceeds, (iv) the grant of a Lien by the Borrower or any Significant Subsidiary in any assets securing a borrowing by, or contractual

performance obligation of, the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary, (v) the transactions contemplated by the Aerie Leases, (vi) dispositions of Equity Interests in connection with directors' qualifying shares or comparable Equity Interests, (vii) dispositions consisting of leases of assets entered into where the Borrower or any Significant Subsidiary is the lessor and the Person that is the lessee has no option to purchase such assets for less than Fair Market Value and (viii) dispositions described in Section 9.8(d).

"ASSIGNEE" is defined in Section 14.10(d).

"ASSIGNMENT" is defined in Section 14.10(d).

"BASE RATE" means, for any day, the greater of (a) the annual interest rate most recently announced by the Administrative Agent as its prime lending rate (which may not necessarily represent the lowest or best rate actually charged to any customer, as the Administrative Agent may make commercial loans or other loans at interest rates higher or lower than that prime lending rate) in effect at its principal office in Atlanta, Georgia, which rate may automatically increase or decrease without notice to the Borrower or any other Person, and (b) the sum of the Fed Funds Rate plus 0.5%.

"BASE RATE BORROWING" means a Borrowing bearing interest at the sum of the Base Rate plus the Applicable Margin.

"BORROWER" is defined in the preamble to this Agreement.

"BORROWING" means any amount disbursed to or on behalf of the Borrower by one or more Lenders under Section 2.1 pursuant to the procedures specified in Section 2.2, either as an original disbursement of funds, a renewal, extension or continuation of an amount outstanding.

"BORROWING DATE" is defined in Section 2.2(a).

"BORROWING REQUEST" means a request pursuant to Section 2.2(a), substantially in the form of Exhibit C-1.

"BUSINESS DAY" means (a) for purposes of any LIBOR Rate Borrowing, a day on which commercial banks are open for international business in London, England, and (b) for all other purposes, any day other than Saturday, Sunday, and any other day on which commercial banks are authorized by Legal Requirement to be closed in Georgia or New York.

"CASH COLLATERAL ACCOUNT" is defined in Section 12.1(c).

"CAPITAL LEASE" means any capital lease or sublease that is required by GAAP to be capitalized on a balance sheet.

"CENTENNIAL GUARANTY" means the guaranty by TE Products of certain Debt of Centennial Pipeline LLC relating to the Centennial Pipeline Project in a principal amount not to exceed, at any one time outstanding, \$75,000,000.

"CENTENNIAL PIPELINE PROJECT" means a refined petroleum products pipeline extending from the Upper Texas Gulf Coast to Illinois, of which TE Products will own a one-third interest.

"CERCLA" means the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. Sections 9601 et seq.

"CLOSING DATE" means the date, which must be a Business Day occurring no later than April 30, 2001, upon which all of the conditions precedent set forth in Article V to the effectiveness of this Agreement have been satisfied.

"COMMITMENT" means, as the context may require and at any time and for any Lender, either (a) the amount stated beside that Lender's name under the column captioned "Commitment" on the most recently amended Schedule 2 (which amount is subject to reduction and cancellation as provided in this Agreement), or (b) the commitment of such Lender to make Extensions of Credit.

"COMMITMENT PERCENTAGE" means, for any Lender and at any time, the proportion (stated as a percentage) that its Commitment bears to the total Commitments of all the Lenders.

"COMPANIES" means, at any time, the Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries.

"COMPLETION DATE" means, in respect of the FINA/BASF Project, the date on which all of the "Completion Standards" set forth in Exhibit 2.1 to the Services Agreement have been satisfied.

"COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE" means a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit C-4 and signed by a Responsible Officer on behalf of the Borrower.

"CONSOLIDATED EBITDA" means $\mbox{\it EBITDA}$ of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries.

"CONSOLIDATED FUNDED DEBT" means Funded Debt of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries, other than Permitted Non-Recourse Debt of such Subsidiaries.

"CONSOLIDATED NET WORTH" means as at any date total partners' capital of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries as at such date, excluding the effects of any write-ups of assets after December 31, 2000, determined in accordance with GAAP. The effect of any increase or decrease in net worth in any period as a result of (i) items of income or loss not reflected in the determination of net income but reflected in the determination of comprehensive income, to the extent required by United States Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement 130 or (ii) items of assets, liabilities, income or loss reflected in the determination of the statement of financial position, to the extent

required by United States Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement 133, each as in effect from time to time, shall be excluded in determining Consolidated Net Worth.

"CONSTITUENT DOCUMENTS" means, for any Person, the documents for its formation and organization, which, for example, (a) for a corporation are its corporate charter and bylaws, (b) for a partnership is its partnership agreement, (c) for a limited liability company are its certificate of organization and regulations, and (d) for a trust is the trust agreement or indenture under which it is created.

"CONVERSION NOTICE" means a request pursuant to Section 3.10, substantially in the form of Exhibit C-2.

"CREDIT DOCUMENTS" means (a) this Agreement, all certificates and reports delivered by or on behalf of any Company or the General Partner under this Agreement and all exhibits and schedules to this Agreement, (b) all agreements, documents and instruments in favor of the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or the Lenders (or the Administrative Agent on behalf of the LC Issuing Bank or the Lenders) delivered by or on behalf of any Company or the General Partner in connection with or under this Agreement or otherwise delivered by or on behalf of any Company or the General Partner in connection with all or any part of the Obligations, and (c) all renewals, extensions and restatements of, and amendments and supplements to, any of the foregoing.

"CURRENT FINANCIALS" means, unless otherwise specified, either (a) the Borrower's consolidated Financials for the year ended December 31, 2000, or (b) at any time after annual Financials are first delivered under Section 8.1, the Borrower's annual Financials then most recently delivered to the Lenders under Section 8.1(a), together with the Borrower's quarterly Financials then most recently delivered to the Lenders under Section 8.1(b).

"DEBT" means, for any Person, at any time and without duplication, the sum of the following obligations of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries: (a) all Funded Debt, (b) all obligations arising under acceptance facilities or facilities for the discount or sale of accounts receivable, (c) all direct or contingent obligations in respect of letters of credit and (d) all guaranties, endorsements and other contingent obligations in respect of obligations of other Persons or entities of the nature described in clauses (a) through (c) above.

"DEBTOR LAWS" means the Bankruptcy Code of the United States of America and all other applicable liquidation, conservatorship, bankruptcy, moratorium, rearrangement, receivership, insolvency, re-organization, suspension of payments or similar Legal Requirements affecting creditors' Rights.

"DEFAULT PERCENTAGE" means, for any Lender and at any time, the proportion (stated as a percentage) that the aggregate principal amount of Borrowings owed to it bears to the aggregate principal amount of Borrowings owed all the Lenders.

"DEFAULT RATE" means, for any day, an annual interest rate equal from day to day to the lesser of (a) the sum of the rate of interest applicable to Base Rate Borrowings plus 2%, and (b) the Maximum Rate.

"DILUTED VALUE" means, with respect to any assets of the Borrower, the Fair Market Value of such assets, and, with respect to any assets of any other Person, the Fair Market Value of such assets multiplied by the percentage of the Equity Interests held directly or indirectly by the Borrower in such Person.

"DISTRIBUTION" means, with respect to any Equity Interests issued by a Person (a) the retirement, redemption, purchase or other acquisition for value of those Equity Interests, (b) the declaration or payment of any dividend on or with respect to those Equity Interests, (c) any Investment by that Person in the holder of any of those Equity Interests, and (d) any other payment by that Person with respect to those Equity Interests.

"EBITDA" means, for any Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries and for any period, the sum of, without duplication, (i) Net Income of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries (other than any Excluded Subsidiary of such Person) for such period plus (ii) to the extent actually deducted in determining Net Income of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries for such period, Interest Expense, Tax Expense, depreciation and amortization, in each case, of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries (other than any Excluded Subsidiary of such Person) for such period.

"EMPLOYEE PLAN" means any employee pension benefit plan covered by Title IV of ERISA and established or maintained by any Company or any ERISA Affiliate (other than a Multiemployer Plan).

"ENVIRONMENTAL LAW" means any applicable Legal Requirement that relates to protection of the environment or to the regulation of any Hazardous Substances, including CERCLA, the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. Section 1801 et seq.), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. Section 6901 et seq.), the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. Section 1251 et seq.), the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Section 7401 et seq.), the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. Section 2601 et seq.), the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. Section 136 et seq.), the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (42 U.S.C. Section 11001 et seq.), the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. Section 201 and Section 300f et seq.), the Rivers and Harbors Act (33 U.S.C. Section 401 et seq.), the Oil Pollution Act (33 U.S.C. Section 2701 et seq.), analogous state and local Legal Requirements, and any analogous future enacted or adopted Legal Requirement.

"ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY" means any liability, loss, fine, penalty, charge, lien, damage, cost or expense of any kind to the extent that it results (a) from the violation of any Environmental Law, (b) from the Release or threatened Release of any Hazardous Substance, or (c) from actual or threatened damages to natural resources.

"ENVIRONMENTAL PERMIT" means any permit or license from any Person defined in clause (a) of the definition of Governmental Authority that is required under any Environmental Law for the lawful conduct of any business, process or other activity.

"EQUITY EVENT" means (a) the contribution in cash of capital (x) to the Borrower by any Person or (y) to any Significant Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary) by any Person other than the Borrower or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of the Borrower, or (b) any issuance of Equity Interests (x) by the Borrower to any Person or (y) by any Significant Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary) to any Person other than the Borrower or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of the Borrower.

"EQUITY INTERESTS" means, (a) with respect to a corporation, shares of capital stock of such corporation or any other interest convertible or exchangeable into any such interest, (b) with respect to a limited liability company, a membership interest in such company, (c) with respect to a partnership, a partnership interest in such partnership, and (d) with respect to any other Person, an interest in such Person analogous to interests described in clauses (a) through (c).

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

"ERISA AFFILIATE" means any Person that, for purposes of Title IV of ERISA, is a member of any Company's controlled group or is under common control with any Company within the meaning of Section 414 of the IRC.

"EVENT OF DEFAULT" is defined in Article 11.

"EXCHANGE AGREEMENT" means the Exchange Agreement, dated as of April 7, 2000, among TE Products, TEPPCO Crude Pipeline and Aerie, pursuant to which each of TE Products and TEPPCO Crude Pipeline will be issued certain preferred stock, other Equity Interests and investor rights in exchange for its grant and lease pursuant to the Aerie Lease to which it is a party, as amended and in effect from time to time.

"EXCLUDED SUBSIDIARY" means, for any Company (the "FIRST PERSON"), any other Company (the "SECOND PERSON") in which the first Person owns Equity Interests and where the second Person (a) has no Funded Debt other than Permitted Non-Recourse Debt and (b) the sole purpose of which is to engage in the acquisition, construction, development and/or operation activities financed or refinanced with such Permitted Non-Recourse Debt.

"EXTENSION OF CREDIT" means (a) the disbursement of the proceeds of any Borrowing, (b) the issuance of a Letter of Credit or the amendment of any Letter of Credit having the effect of extending the stated termination date thereof or increasing the maximum amount available to be drawn thereunder or (c) the funding of a participation in the unpaid reimbursement obligation of the Borrower with respect to a payment made by the LC Issuing Bank under a Letter of Credit (excluding any reimbursement obligation that has been repaid with the proceeds of any Borrowing).

"FACILITY FEE" means, for any day, a fee payable on the amount of the Commitment of each Lender on such day, irrespective of usage, payable at the rate (expressed in basis points per annum) set forth below in the columns identified as Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4 or Level 5 based on the Reference Ratings.

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 5
	REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST A- BY S&P AND A3 BY	REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST BBB+ BY S&P AND Baa1 BY	REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST BBB BY S&P AND Baa2	REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST BBB- BY S&P AND Baa3 BY	REFERENCE RATING LOWER
BASIS FOR PRICING	MOODY'S	MOODY'S	BY MOODY'S	MOODY'S	THAN LEVEL 4
Facility Fee	12.5	15.0	17.5	25.0	37.5

The Facility Fee will be based upon the Level corresponding to the Reference Rating at the time of determination. Any change in the Facility Fee resulting from a change in the Reference Rating shall be effective as of the date on which the applicable rating agency announces the applicable change in rating.

"FAIR MARKET VALUE" means, with respect to any Equity Interest or other property or asset, the price obtainable for such Equity Interest or other property or asset in an arm's-length sale between an informed and willing purchaser under no compulsion to purchase and an informed and willing seller under no compulsion to sell.

"FED FUNDS RATE" means, for any day, the annual rate (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the nearest 0.01%) determined (which determination is conclusive and binding, absent manifest error) by the Administrative Agent to be equal to (a) the weighted average of the rates on overnight federal funds transactions with member banks of the Federal Reserve System arranged by federal funds brokers on that day (or, if such day is not a Business Day, then on the immediately preceding Business Day), as published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on the next Business Day, or (b) if those rates are not published for any such day, the average of the quotations at approximately 10:00 a.m. received by the Administrative Agent from three federal funds brokers of recognized standing selected by the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion.

"FINA/BASF CONTRACTS" means, in each case as amended and in effect from time to time, collectively: (a) the Service Agreement; (b) the Call Option Agreement, dated February 9, 1999, among TE Products, BASF Fina Petrochemicals Limited Partnership, BASF Corporation and FINA Oil and Chemical Company; (c) the Agreement between Owner and Contractor, dated February 4, 1999, between TE Products and Eagleton Engineering Company; and (d) the Parent Company Guaranty, dated February 4, 1999, between Babcock International Group PLC and TE Products.

"FINA/BASF PROJECT" means the construction of pipelines by TE Products from Mont Belvieu, Texas to Port Arthur, Texas.

"FINANCIALS" of a Person means balance sheets, profit and loss statements, reconciliations of capital and surplus and statements of cash flow of such Person prepared (a) according to GAAP (subject to year-end audit adjustments with respect to interim

Financials) and (b) except as stated in Section 1.4, in comparative form to prior year-end figures or corresponding periods of the preceding fiscal year or other relevant period, as applicable.

"FUNDED DEBT" means, for any Person at any time, and without duplication, the sum of the following for such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries: (a) the unpaid principal amount or component of all obligations for borrowed money, (b) the unpaid principal amount or component of all obligations evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments, (c) the unpaid principal amount or component of all obligations to pay the deferred purchase price of property or services except trade accounts payable arising in the ordinary course of business, (d) in respect of all obligations that are secured (or for which the holder of any such obligation has an existing Right, contingent or otherwise, to be so secured) by any Lien on property owned or acquired by that Person, the lesser of (x) the unpaid amount of all of those obligations from time to time outstanding and (y) the Fair Market Value of the property securing all of those obligations, liabilities secured (or for which the holder of such obligations has an existing Right, contingent or otherwise, to be so secured) by any Lien existing on property owned or acquired by that Person, (e) all Capital Lease obligations, (f) the unpaid principal amount or component of all obligations under synthetic leases, and (g) the unpaid principal amount or component of all guaranties, endorsements, and other contingent obligations in respect of obligations of other Persons or entities of the nature described in clauses (a) through (f) above.

"FUNDING LOSS" means any loss, expense or reduction in yield (but not any Applicable Margin) that any Lender reasonably incurs because (i) the Borrower fails or refuses (for any reason whatsoever other than a default by the Administrative Agent or the Lender claiming that loss, expense or reduction in yield) to take any Borrowing or convert a Borrowing that it has requested, or given notice for, under this Agreement, or (ii) the Borrower voluntarily or involuntarily prepays or pays any LIBOR Rate Borrowing or converts any LIBOR Rate Borrowing to a Borrowing of another Type, in each case, other than on the last day of the applicable Interest Period. The amount of any Funding Loss shall be determined by the relevant Lender to be the excess, if any, of (A) the amount of interest that would have accrued on the principal amount of such Borrowing had such event not occurred, at the LIBOR Rate, for the period from the date of such event to the last day of the then current Interest Period (or, in the case of a failure to borrow, convert or continue, for the period that would have been the Interest Period for that Borrowing), over (B) the amount of interest that would accrue on such principal amount for such period at the interest rate that such Lender would bid (were it to bid), at the commencement of such period, for dollar deposits of a comparable amount and period from other banks in the London interbank market.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Financial Accounting Standards Board that are applicable from time to time.

"GENERAL PARTNER" means Texas Eastern or any other Person that serves as the general partner of the Borrower without causing the occurrence of a Potential Default or an Event of Default under Section 11.7(b).

"GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY" means any (a) local, state, territorial, federal or foreign judicial, executive, regulatory, administrative, legislative or governmental agency, board, bureau, commission, department or other instrumentality, (b) private arbitration board or panel or (c) central bank.

"GUARANTOR" means each Person delivering a Guaranty as required by Article 6.

"GUARANTY" means a guaranty substantially in the form of Exhibit $\ensuremath{\mathsf{B}}.$

"HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE" means any substance that is designated, defined, classified or regulated as a hazardous waste, hazardous material, pollutant, contaminant, explosive, corrosive, flammable, infectious, carcinogenic, mutagenic, radioactive or toxic or hazardous substance under any Environmental Law, including, without limitation, any hazardous substance within the meaning of Section 101(14) of CERCLA.

"HEDGING AGREEMENT" means any swap, cap or collar arrangement or any other derivative product customarily offered by banks or other institutions to their customers in order to manage the exposure of such customers to interest rate fluctuations or commodity price fluctuations.

"INTEREST EXPENSE" means, for any Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries and for any period, all interest expense (including all amortization of debt discount and expenses and reported interest) on all Funded Debt of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries during such period.

"INTEREST PERIOD" is defined in Section 3.9.

"INVESTMENT" means, in respect of any Person, any loan, advance, extension of credit or capital contribution to that Person, any other investment in that Person, or any purchase or commitment to purchase any Equity Interest or Debt issued by that Person or substantially all of the assets or a division or other business unit of that Person. The term "Investment", however, does not include any extension of trade debt in the ordinary course of business or, as a result of collection efforts, the receipt of any equity in or property of a Person.

"IRC" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

"LC FEE" is defined in Section 4.3.

"LC ISSUING BANK" is defined in the preamble to this $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Agreement}}\xspace.$

"LC OUTSTANDINGS" means, on any date of determination, the sum of the undrawn stated amounts of all Letters of Credit that are outstanding on such date plus the aggregate principal amount of all unpaid reimbursement obligations of the Borrower on

such date with respect to payments made by the LC Issuing Bank under Letters of Credit (excluding reimbursement obligations that have been repaid with the proceeds of any Borrowing).

"LEGAL REQUIREMENTS" means all applicable statutes, laws, treaties, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, writs, injunctions, decrees, judgments, opinions and interpretations of any Governmental Authority.

"LENDER" means (a) each financial institution (including, without limitation, SunTrust, in its capacity as a Lender, in respect of its Commitment) initially named on Schedule 2, (b) each Assignee pursuant to Section 14.10(d) and (c) each Additional Lender.

"LETTER OF CREDIT" means letters of credit issued by the LC Issuing Bank pursuant to Section 2.5. $\,$

"LIBOR RATE" means, for a LIBOR Rate Borrowing and its Interest Period, the quotient of (a) the annual interest rate for deposits in United States dollars of amounts equal or comparable to the principal amount of that LIBOR Rate Borrowing offered for a term comparable to that Interest Period, which rate appears on the Telerate Page 3750 as of 11:00 a.m. (London, England time) two Business Days before the beginning of that Interest Period or, if no such offered rates appear on such page, then the rate used for that Interest Period shall be the arithmetic average (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the next higher 0.001%) of the rates offered to the Administrative Agent by not less than two major banks in New York, New York at approximately 10:00 a.m. (Atlanta, Georgia time) two Business Days before the beginning of that Interest Period for deposits in United States dollars in the London interbank market of the principal amount of that LIBOR Rate Borrowing offered for a term comparable to that Interest Period, divided by (b) a number equal to 1.00 minus the LIBOR Reserve Percentage. The rate so determined in accordance herewith shall be rounded upwards to the nearest multiple of 0.001%, and the term "Telerate Page 3750" means the display designated as "Page 3750" on the Dow Jones Markets Service, Inc. (or such other page as may replace Page 3750 on that service or another service as may be nominated by the British Bankers' Association as the information vendor for the purpose of displaying British Bankers' Association Interest Settlement Rates for United States dollars).

"LIBOR RATE BORROWING" means a Borrowing bearing interest at the sum of the LIBOR Rate plus the Applicable Margin.

"LIBOR RESERVE PERCENTAGE" means, for any Interest Period with respect to a LIBOR Rate Borrowing, the reserve percentage applicable to that Interest Period (or, if more than one such percentage shall be so applicable, then the daily average of such percentages for those days in that Interest Period during which any such percentage shall be applicable) under regulations issued from time to time by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (or any successor) for determining the maximum reserve requirement (including any emergency, supplemental or other marginal reserve requirement) for the Lenders with respect to liabilities or assets consisting of or including

"eurocurrency liabilities" (as defined in Regulation D of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as in effect from time to time) having a term equal to that Interest Period.

"LIEN" means any lien, mortgage, security interest, pledge, assignment, charge, title retention agreement or encumbrance of any kind and any other arrangement for a creditor's claim to be satisfied from assets or proceeds prior to the claims of other creditors or the owners (other than title of the lessor under an operating lease).

"LITIGATION" means any action by or before any Governmental Authority. $% \begin{center} \begin$

"MAINTENANCE CAPITAL EXPENDITURES" means, for any Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries and for any period, all expenditures of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries during such period for the maintenance or repair of capital assets, determined in accordance with GAAP.

"MARGIN REGULATIONS" means Regulations T, U and X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as amended.

"MATERIAL ADVERSE EVENT" means any circumstance or event that, individually or collectively, is, or is reasonably expected to result in, any (a) material impairment of (i) the ability of the Borrower or any other Company to perform any of their respective payment or other material obligations under any Credit Document, or (ii) the ability of the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender to enforce any of those obligations or any of their respective Rights under the Credit Documents (other than as a result of its own act or omission), (b) material and adverse effect on the financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, as represented to the Lenders in the Current Financials most recently delivered before the date of this Agreement, or (c) Event of Default or Potential Default.

"MAXIMUM AMOUNT" and "MAXIMUM RATE" respectively mean, for any Lender, the maximum non-usurious amount and the maximum non-usurious rate of interest that, under applicable Legal Requirement, that such Lender is permitted to contract for, charge, take, reserve or receive on the Obligations.

"MOODY'S" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any successor thereto.

"MULTIEMPLOYER PLAN" means a multiemployer plan as defined in Sections 3(37) or 4001(a)(3) of ERISA or Section 414(f) of the IRC to which any Company or any ERISA Affiliate is making, or has made, or is accruing, or has accrued, an obligation to make contributions.

"NET CASH PROCEEDS" means, with respect to any Asset Disposition, Recovery Event or Equity Event (each, for purposes of this definition, a "TRANSACTION"), the aggregate amount of cash received, as the case may be, by (x) the Borrower or (y) any Significant Subsidiary and legally available to be distributed to the Borrower in the form of dividends or distributions in connection with such transaction after, in each case, deducting therefrom (i) payments made in respect of any Funded Debt to the extent that

such payments are required to be made (other than under the Credit Documents but subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) as a result of or in connection with such transaction by applicable law or the terms of any contractual agreement relating to such Funded Debt, (ii) customary transaction costs (which in the case of any Recovery Event may include litigation costs and expenses and other costs and expenses of collecting payments and settlements therefrom) that are paid or reserved for payment (A) to a Person that is not an Affiliate of the Borrower or (B) to the Borrower or an Affiliate of the Borrower to reimburse such Person for payments made by such Person to another Person that is not the Borrower or an Affiliate of the Borrower in respect of such transaction costs, (iii) the amount of taxes paid or reserved for payment by the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary in connection with or as a result of such transaction and (iv) any Reinvestment Amount.

"NET INCOME" means, for any Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries and for any period, the profit or loss of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries for such period after deducting all operating expenses, provision for Taxes and reserves (including reserves for deferred income Taxes), and all other deductions calculated, in each case, in accordance with GAAP, but excluding (a) extraordinary items, and (b) the profit or loss of any Subsidiary accrued before the date that (i) it becomes a Subsidiary of such Person, (ii) it is merged with such Person or any of its Subsidiaries, or (iii) its assets are acquired by such Person of any of its Subsidiaries.

"NON-RECOURSE" means, with respect to any Person as applied to any Funded Debt (or portion thereof), (a) that such Person is not directly or indirectly liable to make any payments with respect to such Funded Debt (or portion thereof), other than payments deemed made by or on behalf of such Person as a result of any realization on assets that were pledged to secure such Funded Debt and that consist of such Person's Equity Interests in the Person primarily incurring such Funded Debt (or any shareholder, partner, member or participant of such Person), (b) that such Funded Debt (or portion thereof) does not constitute Funded Debt of such Person other than to the extent of recourse to such Person's Equity Interests in the Person primarily incurring such Debt (or any shareholder, partner, member or participant of such Person) and that (c) such Funded Debt (or portion thereof) is not secured by a Lien on any asset of such Person other than such Person's Equity Interests in the Person primarily incurring such Funded Debt or any shareholder, partner, member, participant or other owner, directly or indirectly, of such Person or the Person the obligations of which were guaranteed.

"NOTE" means one of the promissory notes substantially in the form of $\operatorname{Exhibit}\,\mathsf{A}.$

"OBLIGATIONS" means all present and future (a) Debts, liabilities and obligations of the Borrower to the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender that arise under any Credit Document, whether for principal, interest, fees, costs, attorneys' fees or otherwise and (b) renewals, extensions and modifications of any of the foregoing.

"OSHA" means the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, 29 U.S.C. Section 651 et seq. $\,$

"OTHER FACILITY" means the 364-Day Credit Agreement, dated the date hereof, among the Borrower, the lenders named therein and SunTrust.

"OUTSTANDING CREDITS" means, on any date of determination, an amount equal to the sum of (a) the aggregate principal amount of all Borrowings outstanding on such date plus (b) the LC Outstandings on such date.

"PARTICIPANT" is defined in Section 14.10(c).

"PBGC" means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

"PERMITTED DEBT" is defined in Section 9.1.

"PERMITTED LIENS" is defined in Section 9.3.

"PERMITTED NON-RECOURSE DEBT" means Funded Debt of any Person (other than the Borrower) that is Non-Recourse to any Company other than such Person and is used by such Person (i) to acquire, construct, develop and/or operate assets not owned by any Company as of the date hereof or (ii) to finance the acquisition of the Service Agreement.

"PERSON" means an individual, partnership, corporation (including a business trust), joint stock company, trust, unincorporated association, joint venture, limited liability company or other entity, or a Governmental Authority.

"POTENTIAL DEFAULT" means any event, occurrence or circumstance, the existence of which upon any required notice, time lapse, or both, would become an Event of Default.

"PREDECESSOR" means any Person for whose obligations and liabilities any Company is reasonably expected to be liable as the result of any merger, de facto merger, stock purchase, asset purchase or divestiture, combination, joint venture, investment, reclassification or other similar business transaction.

"PRO FORMA EBITDA" means, for any fiscal period of the Borrower, the sum of Consolidated EBITDA for such period plus, to the extent not already reflected in Consolidated EBITDA for such period, EBITDA for such period of any other Person or all or substantially all of the business or assets of any other Person or operating division or business unit of any other Person acquired in an Acquisition during such period.

"REAL PROPERTY" means any land, buildings, fixtures and other improvements to land now or in the future directly or indirectly owned by any Company, leased to or otherwise operated by any Company or subleased by any Company to any other Person.

"RECOVERY EVENT" means any settlement of or payment in respect of any property or casualty insurance claim or any condemnation proceeding relating to any property or asset of the Borrower or any Significant Subsidiary, the Diluted Value of which settlement or payment, when added to the Diluted Value of all such settlements and payments in any fiscal year of the Borrower exceeds \$25 million, provided, however, that

for purposes of this definition, "Recovery Event" shall not include any settlement or payment that such Person is contesting diligently and in good faith. $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac$

"REFERENCE RATING" means (i) the ratings assigned by S&P and Moody's to the senior unsecured non-credit enhanced long-term debt of the Borrower, or (ii) if S&P and Moody's have not assigned ratings to the senior unsecured non-credit enhanced long-term debt of the Borrower, the ratings that are one level below the ratings assigned by S&P and Moody's to the senior unsecured non-credit enhanced long-term debt of TE Products. For purposes of the foregoing, (x) if the ratings assigned by S&P and Moody's are not comparable (i.e., a "split rating"), the higher of such two ratings shall control, unless either rating is below BBB- (in the case of S&P) or Baa3 (in the case of Moody's), in which case the lower of the two ratings shall control, and (y) for purposes of illustration an S&P rating of BBB will be considered to be "one level below" an S&P rating, of BBB+.

"REINVESTMENT AMOUNT" means, with respect to any Recovery Event, the amount of cash received by the Borrower or any Significant Subsidiary that the Borrower, by written notice delivered to the Administrative Agent on or prior to the date 10 Business Days following receipt of such cash by the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary, certifies will be reinvested, and within one year of receipt of such cash is in fact reinvested, in assets to replace, restore or refurbish the assets that were the subject of such Recovery Event.

"RELEASE" means any "release" as defined under any $\mbox{\it Environmental Law}.$

"REPRESENTATIVES" means officers, directors, employees, accountants, attorneys and agents.

"REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE" shall mean a request made pursuant to Section 2.5 in the form of Exhibit C-3.

"REQUIRED LENDERS" means any combination of the Lenders holding (directly or indirectly) more than (a) 50% of the total Commitments, if there are no Borrowings outstanding, (b) 50% of the sum of (i) the total unused Commitments plus (ii) the aggregate principal amount of all Outstanding Credits, if there are any Borrowings or Letters of Credit outstanding and the maturity of the Obligations has not been accelerated and the Commitments have not been terminated under Section 12.1(a) or (b), as the case may be, and (c) 50% of the aggregate principal amount of all Outstanding Credits if there are any Borrowings or Letters of Credit outstanding and the maturity of the Obligations has been accelerated or the Commitments have been terminated under Section 12.1(a) or (b), as the case may be.

"RESPONSIBLE OFFICER" means the chairman, president, vice president, chief executive officer, chief financial officer, treasurer, corporate secretary, member or manager of the General Partner or Person of comparable authority.

"RIGHTS" means rights, remedies, powers, privileges and benefits. $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left$

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., or any successor thereto.

"SENIOR NOTES" means the 6.45% Senior Notes Due 2008 in the original aggregate principal amount of \$180,000,000 and the 7.51% Senior Notes Due 2028 in the original aggregate principal amount of \$210,000,000, in each case issued by TE Products under the Indenture dated as of January 27, 1998, between TE Products and The Bank of New York, Trustee.

"SERVICE AGREEMENT" means the Service and Transportation Agreement, dated February 9, 1999, among TE Products, BASF Fina Petrochemicals Limited Partnership, BASF Corporation and FINA Oil and Chemical Company, as amended and in effect from time to time.

"SIGNIFICANT SUBSIDIARY" means each Subsidiary of the Borrower (a) in which the Borrower's direct and indirect Equity Interests in such Subsidiary and the Borrower's and its Subsidiaries' advances to such Subsidiary constitute more than 10% of the total assets of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries, (b) in which the Borrower's and its Subsidiaries' share of the total assets (after intercompany eliminations) of such Subsidiary exceed 10% of the total assets of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries, or (c) in which the equity of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in the income from continuing operations of such Subsidiary before income taxes, extraordinary items and cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles exceed 10% of such income of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries.

"SOLVENT" means, as to any Person, that (a) the aggregate fair market value of its assets exceeds its liabilities, (b) it is able to pay its debts as they mature, and (c) it does not have unreasonably small capital to conduct its businesses.

"STATED TERMINATION DATE" means the third anniversary of the date of this $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Agreement}}.$

"SUBSIDIARY" of any Person means any corporation, limited liability company, general or limited partnership or other entity of which more than 50% (in number of votes) of the Equity Interests is owned of record or beneficially, directly or indirectly, by that Person.

"SUNTRUST" is defined in the preamble to this Agreement.

"TAXES" means, for any Person, taxes, assessments or other governmental charges or levies imposed upon it, its income or any of its properties, franchises or assets.

"TAX EXPENSE" means, for any Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries and for any period, the taxes on income of that Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries accrued during that period.

"TCTM" means TCTM, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"TE PRODUCTS" means TE Products Pipeline Company, Limited Partnership, a Delaware limited partnership.

"TEPPCO CRUDE" means TEPPCO Crude Oil, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"TEPPCO CRUDE PIPELINE" means TEPPCO Crude Pipeline, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"TERMINATION DATE" means the earlier of (a) the Stated Termination Date and (b) the effective date on which the Commitments are fully canceled or terminated.

"TEXAS EASTERN" means Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Company, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"TYPE" means any type of Borrowing determined with respect to the applicable interest option. $\ensuremath{\mbox{}}$

"UTILIZATION PERCENTAGE" means, at any time for the determination thereof, the percentage obtained by dividing (i) the aggregate Outstanding Credits plus the aggregate outstanding credits under the Other Facility by (ii) the aggregate Commitments plus the aggregate commitments under the Other Facility at such time.

"WHOLLY-OWNED SUBSIDIARY" means any Subsidiary of a Person, all of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of which are directly or indirectly owned by such Person, excluding (a) any general partner interests owned by the General Partner in any such Subsidiary that is a partnership and (b) any directors' qualifying shares or similar type of Equity Interests, as applicable.

SECTION 1.2. TIME REFERENCES.

Unless otherwise specified, in the Credit Documents: (a) time references (e.g., 10:00 a.m.) are to time in Atlanta, Georgia, on the applicable date, and (b) in calculating a period from one date to another, the word "from" means "from and including" and the word "to" or "until" means "to but excluding".

SECTION 1.3. OTHER REFERENCES.

Unless otherwise specified, in the Credit Documents: (a) where appropriate, the singular includes the plural and vice versa , and words of any gender include each other gender, (b) where appropriate, words include their respective cognate expressions, (c) heading and caption references may not be construed in interpreting provisions, (d) monetary references are to currency of the United States of America, (e) section, paragraph, annex, schedule, exhibit and similar references are to the particular Credit Document in which they are used, (f) references to "telecopy", "facsimile", "fax" or similar terms are to facsimile or telecopy transmissions, (g) references to "including" (in its various forms) mean including without limiting the generality of any description preceding that word, (h) the rule of construction that references to general items that follow references to specific items are limited to the same type or character of those specific

items is not applicable in the Credit Documents, (i) references to "writing" include printing, typing, lithography and other means of reproducing words in a tangible, visible form, (j) references to any Person include that Person's heirs, personal representatives, successors, trustees, receivers and permitted $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left($ assigns, (k) references to any Legal Requirement include every amendment or supplement to it, rule and regulation adopted under it and successor or replacement for it, (1) references to any Governmental Authority include any Person succeeding to its relevant function, (m) references to any Credit Document or other document include (to the extent not prohibited by the terms of the Credit Documents) every renewal and extension of it, amendment and supplement to it and replacement or substitution for it, (n) the terms "assets" or "property" in relation to any Person includes all asset, property and Equity Interests owned, used or acquired, or to be owned, used or acquired, by such Person, as the context may require, and (o) the "months" referred to in the definition of "Applicable Margin" shall mean the period that commences on the Closing Date and ends on the numerically corresponding day in the next succeeding month, and each successive period commencing on the last day of the preceding period and ending on the numerically corresponding day of the next succeeding month, provided, that if any such period begins on a day for which there is no numerically corresponding day in the next succeeding month, than such period will end on the last day of that month.

SECTION 1.4. ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES.

Unless otherwise specified, in the Credit Documents: (a) GAAP determines all accounting and financial terms and compliance with financial covenants, (b) GAAP in effect on the date of this Agreement determines compliance with financial covenants, (c) otherwise, all accounting principles applied in a current period must be comparable in all material respects to those applied during the preceding comparable period and (d) all financial terms and compliance with reporting and financial covenants must be on a consolidated basis, as applicable.

ARTICLE II THE COMMITMENTS

Each Lender severally but not jointly agrees to extend credit to the Borrower and the LC Issuing Bank agrees to issue Letters of Credit, in each case, in accordance with the following provisions and subject to the other terms and conditions of the Credit Documents.

SECTION 2.1. REVOLVING FACILITY.

Each Borrowing is subject to all of the provisions in the Credit Documents, including the following: (a) each Borrowing may occur only on a Business Day on or after the Closing Date and before the Termination Date and (b) the Outstanding Credits may never exceed the total Commitments at such time.

SECTION 2.2. BORROWING PROCEDURE.

The following procedures apply to Borrowings:

(a) BORROWING REQUEST. The Borrower may request a Borrowing by making or delivering a Borrowing Request to the Administrative Agent, which is irrevocable and binding

on the Borrower, stating the Type, amount, and Interest Period for each Borrowing and which must be received by the Administrative Agent no later than (i) 10:00 a.m. on the third Business Day before the date on which funds are requested (the "BORROWING DATE") for any LIBOR Rate Borrowing, or (ii) 11:00 a.m. on the Borrowing Date for any Base Rate Borrowing. The Administrative Agent shall promptly on the day received notify each Lender of any Borrowing Request. Each LIBOR Rate Borrowing must be in the amount of \$10,000,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000,000 in excess of \$10,000,000, and each Base Rate Borrowing must be in the amount of \$1,000,000 or an integral multiple of \$100,000 in excess of \$1,000,000, or if less than \$1,000,000, the total unused Commitments.

- (b) FUNDING. Each Lender shall remit its Commitment Percentage of each requested Borrowing to the Administrative Agent's principal office in Atlanta, Georgia, in funds that are available for immediate use by the Administrative Agent by 2:00 p.m. on the applicable Borrowing Date. Subject to receipt of those funds, the Administrative Agent shall (unless to its actual knowledge any of the applicable conditions precedent have not been satisfied by the Borrower or waived by the requisite Lenders) make those funds available to the Borrower by wiring the funds to or for the account of the Borrower.
- (c) FUNDING ASSUMED. Absent contrary written notice from a Lender, the Administrative Agent may assume that each Lender has made its Commitment Percentage of the requested Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent on the applicable Borrowing Date, and the Administrative Agent may, in reliance upon such assumption (but shall not be required to), make available to the Borrower a corresponding amount. If a Lender fails to make its Commitment Percentage of any requested Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent on the applicable Borrowing Date, the Administrative Agent may recover the applicable amount on demand (i) from that Lender together with interest, commencing on the Borrowing Date and ending on (but excluding) the date the Administrative Agent recovers the amount from that Lender, at an annual interest rate equal to the Fed Funds Rate, or (ii) if that Lender fails to pay its amount upon demand, then from the Borrower, together with interest at the rate applicable to that Borrowing. No Lender is responsible for the failure of any other Lender to make its share of any Borrowing available as required by Section 2.2(b); however, failure of any Lender to make its share of any Borrowing so available does not excuse any other Lender from making its share of any Borrowing so available.

SECTION 2.3. EFFECT OF REQUESTS.

Each Borrowing Request and Request for Issuance constitutes a representation and warranty by the Borrower that as of the date of the requested Extension of Credit all of the applicable conditions precedent in Article 5 have been satisfied.

SECTION 2.4. TERMINATION OF THE COMMITMENTS.

(a) VOLUNTARY. The Borrower may, upon giving at least five Business Days prior written and irrevocable notice to the Administrative Agent, terminate all or part of the Commitments; provided, however, that any such termination may not result in the aggregate Commitments being reduced to an amount less than the LC Outstandings. Each partial termination under this subsection (a) must be in an amount of not less than \$5,000,000 or a

greater integral multiple of 1,000,000 and must be ratable in accordance with each Lender's Commitment Percentage.

- (b) MANDATORY. On the date of any prepayment of Borrowings (or cash collateralization of LC Outstandings) pursuant to Section 3.2(c)(ii), the Commitments shall automatically reduce by an amount equal to such prepayment (or cash collateralization).
- (c) MISCELLANEOUS. At the time of any termination of the Commitments under this Section 2.4, the Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent, for the account of each Lender, as applicable, all accrued and unpaid fees under this Agreement, the interest attributable to the amount of that reduction, and any related Funding Loss. Any part of the Commitments that is terminated may not be reinstated.

SECTION 2.5. LETTERS OF CREDIT.

- (a) Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, each Letter of Credit shall be issued (or the stated maturity thereof extended or terms thereof modified or amended) on not less than three Business Days' prior notice thereof by delivery of a Request for Issuance to the Administrative Agent (which shall promptly distribute copies thereof to the Lenders) and the LC Issuing Bank. Each Request for Issuance shall specify (i) the date (which shall be a Business Day) of issuance of such Letter of Credit (or the date of effectiveness of such extension, modification or amendment) and the stated expiry date thereof (which shall be no later than the eighth Business Day preceding the Stated Termination Date), (ii) the proposed stated amount of such Letter of Credit (which shall not be less than \$1,000,000), (iii) the name and address of the beneficiary of such Letter of Credit and (iv) a statement of drawing conditions applicable to such Letter of Credit, and if such Request for Issuance relates to an amendment or modification of a Letter of Credit, it shall be accompanied by the consent of the beneficiary of the Letter of Credit thereto. Each Request for Issuance shall be irrevocable unless modified or rescinded by the Borrower not less than two days prior to the proposed date of issuance (or effectiveness) specified therein. Not later than 12:00 noon on the proposed date of issuance (or effectiveness) specified in such Request for Issuance, and upon fulfillment of the applicable conditions precedent and the other requirements set forth herein, the LC Issuing Bank shall issue (or extend, amend or modify) such Letter of Credit and provide notice and a copy thereof to the Administrative Agent, which shall promptly furnish copies thereof to the Lenders.
- (b) No Letter of Credit shall be requested or issued hereunder if, after the issuance thereof, (i) the aggregate undrawn stated amounts of all Letters of Credit outstanding would exceed \$20,000,000; or (ii) the Outstanding Credits would exceed the total Commitments.
- (c) The Borrower hereby agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of the LC Issuing Bank and, if they shall have purchased participations in the reimbursement obligations of the Borrower pursuant to subsection (d) below, the Lenders, on demand made by the LC Issuing Bank to the Borrower, on and after each date on which the LC Issuing Bank shall pay any amount under any Letter of Credit issued by the LC Issuing Bank, a sum equal to the amount so paid plus interest on such amount from the date so paid by the LC Issuing Bank until repayment to the LC Issuing Bank in full at a fluctuating interest rate per annum equal to the interest rate applicable to Base Rate Borrowings plus, if any amount paid by the LC Issuing Bank under a Letter of Credit is not reimbursed by the Borrower within three Business Days, 2%.

- (d) If the LC Issuing Bank shall not have been reimbursed in full for any payment made by the LC Issuing Bank under a Letter of Credit issued by the LC Issuing Bank on the date of such payment, the LC Issuing Bank shall give the Administrative Agent and each Lender prompt notice thereof (an "LC PAYMENT NOTICE") no later than 12:00 noon on the Business Day immediately succeeding the date of such payment by the LC Issuing Bank. Each Lender severally agrees to purchase a participation in the reimbursement obligation of the Borrower to the LC Issuing Bank by paying to the Administrative Agent for the account of the LC Issuing Bank an amount equal to such Lender's Commitment Percentage of such unreimbursed amount paid by the LC Issuing Bank, plus interest on such amount at a rate per annum equal to the Fed Funds Rate from the date of the payment by the LC Issuing Bank to the date of payment to the LC Issuing Bank by such Lender. Each such payment by a Lender shall be made not later than 3:00 P.M. on the later to occur of (i) the Business Day immediately following the date of such payment by the LC Issuing Bank and (ii) the Business Day on which Lender shall have received an LC Payment Notice from the LC Issuing Bank. Each Lender's obligation to make each such payment to the Administrative Agent for the account of the LC Issuing Bank shall be several and shall not be affected by the occurrence or continuance of a Potential Default or Event of Default or the failure of any other Lender to make any payment under this Section 2.5(d). Each Lender further agrees that each such payment shall be made without any offset, abatement, withholding or reduction whatsoever.
- (e) The failure of any Lender to make any payment to the Administrative Agent for the account of the LC Issuing Bank in accordance with subsection (d) above shall not relieve any other Lender of its obligation to make payment, but no Lender shall be responsible for the failure of any other Lender. If any Lender (a "non-performing Lender") shall fail to make any payment to the Administrative Agent for the account of the LC Issuing Bank in accordance with subsection (d) above within five Business Days after the LC Payment Notice relating thereto, then, for so long as such failure shall continue, the LC Issuing Bank shall be deemed, for purposes of Section 14.8 and Article XII hereof, to be a Lender owed a Borrowing in an amount equal to the outstanding principal amount due and payable by such non-performing Lender to the Administrative Agent for the account of the LC Issuing Bank pursuant to subsection (d) above. Any non-performing Lender and the Borrower (without waiving any claim against such Lender for such Lender's failure to purchase a participation in the reimbursement obligations of the Borrower under subsection (d) above) severally agree to pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of the LC Issuing Bank forthwith on demand such amount, together with interest thereon for each day from the date such Lender would have purchased its participation had it complied with the requirements of subsection (d) above until the date such amount is paid to the Administrative Agent at (i) in the case of the Borrower, the interest rate applicable at the time to Base Rate Borrowings and (ii) in the case of such Lender, the Fed Funds Rate.
- (f) The payment obligations of each Lender under Section 2.5(d) and of the Borrower under this Agreement in respect of any payment under any Letter of Credit by the LC Issuing Bank shall be unconditional and irrevocable, and shall be paid strictly in accordance with the terms of this Agreement under all circumstances, including, without limitation, the following circumstances:

- (i) any lack of validity or enforceability of this Agreement, any other Credit Document or any other agreement or instrument relating thereto or to such Letter of Credit;
- (ii) any amendment or waiver of, or any consent to departure from, the terms of this Agreement, any other Credit Document or such Letter of Credit:
- (iii) the existence of any claim, set-off, defense or other right which the Borrower may have at any time against any beneficiary, or any transferee, of such Letter of Credit (or any Persons for whom any such beneficiary or any such transferee may be acting), the LC Issuing Bank, or any other Person, whether in connection with this Agreement, the transactions contemplated hereby, thereby or by such Letter of Credit, or any unrelated transaction;
- (iv) any statement or any other document presented under such Letter of Credit proving to be forged, fraudulent, invalid or insufficient in any respect or any statement therein being untrue or inaccurate in any respect;
- (v) payment in good faith by the LC Issuing Bank under the Letter of Credit issued by the LC Issuing Bank against presentation of a draft or certificate that does not comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit; or
- (vi) any other circumstance or happening whatsoever, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing.
- (g) The Borrower assumes all risks of the acts and omissions of any beneficiary or transferee of any Letter of Credit. Neither the LC Issuing Bank, the Lenders nor any of their respective officers, directors, employees, agents or Affiliates shall be liable or responsible for (i) the use that may be made of such Letter of Credit or any acts or omissions of any beneficiary or transferee thereof in connection therewith; (ii) the validity, sufficiency or genuineness of documents, or of any endorsement thereon, even if such documents should prove to be in any or all respects invalid, insufficient, fraudulent or forged; (iii) payment by the LC Issuing Bank against presentation of documents that do not comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit, including failure of any documents to bear any reference or adequate reference to such Letter of Credit; or (iv) any other circumstances whatsoever in making or failing to make payment under such Letter of Credit. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained in any Credit Document, the Borrower and each Lender shall have the right to bring suit against the LC Issuing Bank, and the LC Issuing Bank shall be liable to the Borrower and any Lender, to the extent of any direct, as opposed to consequential, damages suffered by the Borrower or such Lender which the Borrower or such Lender proves were caused by the LC Issuing Bank's willful misconduct or gross negligence, including, in the case of the Borrower, the LC Issuing Bank's willful failure to make timely payment under such Letter of Credit following the presentation to it by the beneficiary thereof of a draft and accompanying certificate(s) that strictly comply with the terms and conditions of such Letter of Credit. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, the LC Issuing Bank may accept sight drafts and accompanying certificates presented under the Letter of Credit issued by the LC Issuing Bank that appear on their face to be in order, without responsibility for further investigation, regardless of any notice or information to the

contrary, and payment against such documents shall not constitute willful misconduct or gross negligence by the LC Issuing Bank. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Lender shall be obligated to indemnify the Borrower for damages caused by the LC Issuing Bank's willful misconduct or gross negligence.

ARTICLE III PAYMENT TERMS

SECTION 3.1. NOTES AND PAYMENTS.

The Borrowings are evidenced by the Notes, one payable to each Lender in the amount of its Commitment. The Borrower must make each payment and prepayment on the Obligations to the Administrative Agent's principal office in Atlanta, Georgia, in immediately available funds by 1:00 p.m. on the day due; otherwise, but subject to Section 3.6, that portion of the Obligations in respect of which such payment or prepayment was made shall continue to accrue interest until the Business Day upon which such payment shall be received by the Administrative Agent at the time and in the manner specified above. The Administrative Agent shall promptly pay to each Lender the part of any payment or prepayment to which that Lender is entitled under this Agreement on the same day the Administrative Agent receives the funds from the Borrower. Unless the Administrative Agent has received notice from the Borrower before the date on which any payment is due under this Agreement that the Borrower will not make that payment in full, then on the date that payment is due the Administrative Agent may assume that the Borrower has made the full payment due and the Administrative Agent may, in reliance upon that assumption, cause to be distributed to each Lender on that date the amount then due to each Lender. If and to the extent the Borrower does not make the full payment due to the Administrative Agent, each Lender shall repay to the Administrative Agent on demand the amount distributed to that Lender by the Administrative Agent together with interest for each day from the date that Lender received payment from the Administrative Agent until the date that Lender repays the Administrative Agent (unless such repayment is made on the same day as such distribution), at an interest rate equal to the Fed Funds Rate.

SECTION 3.2. INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS.

- (a) INTEREST. Accrued interest on each LIBOR Rate Borrowing shall be due and payable on the last day of its Interest Period. If any Interest Period for a LIBOR Rate Borrowing is greater than three months, then accrued interest shall also be due and payable on the date three months after the commencement of the Interest Period. Accrued interest on the unpaid principal amount of each Base Rate Borrowing shall be due and payable in arrears on the last day of each March, June, September and December, commencing on the first such date that follows the Closing Date, and on the date such Borrowing becomes due and payable or is otherwise paid in full.
- (b) PRINCIPAL. The principal amount of all Borrowings shall be due and payable on the Termination Date.

(c) PREPAYMENTS.

- (i) The Borrower may, from time to time, by giving notice to the Administrative Agent no later than three Business Days before the date of the prepayment, prepay, without premium or penalty and in whole or part, the principal amount of any Borrowing so long as:
 - $\mbox{(A)}$ the notice by the Borrower specifies the amount and Borrowing to be prepaid,
 - (B) each voluntary partial prepayment must be in a principal amount of not less than \$1,000,000 or a greater integral multiple of \$1,000,000, plus accrued interest on the amount prepaid to the date of such prepayment, and
 - (C) the Borrower shall pay the Funding Loss, if any, within 5 Business Days following an affected Lender's demand and delivery to the Borrower of the certificate as provided in Section 3.18. Conversions on the last day of Interest Period pursuant to Section 3.10 are not prepayments.
- (ii) The Borrower shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent upon the receipt of any Net Cash Proceeds and, at any time that Net Cash Proceeds received and not previously applied to any prepayment pursuant to this Section 3.2(c)(ii) shall equal or exceed \$10,000,000, the Borrower shall prepay Borrowings, together with payment of any Funding Losses, and/or deposit funds in the Cash Collateral Account in respect of LC Outstandings pursuant to Section 12.1(d), as applicable, in an aggregate amount equal to 100% (without duplication) of the following amounts, with such prepayments to be applied as specified helow:
 - (A) 100% of the Net Cash Proceeds of any Asset Disposition or Recovery Event, to be applied to the Borrowings and/or the cash collateralization of LC Outstandings pursuant to Section 12.1(d); and
 - (B) 100% of the Net Cash Proceeds of any Equity Event, to be applied, to the Borrowings and/or the cash collateralization of LC Outstandings pursuant to Section 12.1(d).
- (iii) If at any time, the sum of the aggregate principal amount of Borrowings outstanding plus LC Outstandings shall exceed the total Commitments, the Borrower shall forthwith prepay Borrowings, and, to the extent provided for by this Section 3.2(c)(iii), deposit funds in the Cash Collateral Account in respect of LC Outstandings pursuant to Section 12.1(d), in a principal amount equal to such excess, together with accrued interest to the date of such prepayment on the principal amount of Borrowings prepaid and any Funding Losses owing in connection therewith.
- (iv) Prepayments of the Borrowings pursuant to this Section 3.2 shall be applied, first, to prepay Base Rate Borrowings, second, to prepay any LIBOR Rate Borrowing that has an Interest Period the last day of which is the same as the date of such requirement prepayment, and, third to prepay other LIBOR Rate Borrowings, as selected

by the Borrower, or, at the Borrower's option, to cash collateralize such other LIBOR Rate Borrowings (which cash collateral will be applied on the last day of the Interest Period of each such LIBOR Rate Borrowing to prepay such LIBOR Rate Borrowings).

SECTION 3.3. INTEREST OPTIONS.

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, Borrowings shall bear interest at an annual rate equal to the lesser of (i) the Base Rate or the LIBOR Rate plus the Applicable Margin, in each case as designated or deemed designated by the Borrower, and (ii) the Maximum Rate; provided that the LIBOR Rate may not be selected when an Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing.

SECTION 3.4. QUOTATION OF RATES.

The Borrower may contact the Administrative Agent prior to delivering a Borrowing Request to receive an indication of the interest rates then in effect, but the indicated rates do not bind the Administrative Agent or the Lenders or affect the interest rate that is actually in effect when the Borrower makes a Borrowing Request or on the Borrowing Date.

SECTION 3.5. DEFAULT RATE.

To the extent lawful, any amount payable under any Credit Document that is not paid when due (including interest on any such unpaid amount) shall bear interest from the date due (stated or by acceleration) at the Default Rate until paid, regardless whether payment is made before or after entry of a judgment, payable on demand.

SECTION 3.6. INTEREST RECAPTURE.

If the designated interest rate applicable to any amount exceeds the Maximum Rate, the interest rate on that amount is limited to the Maximum Rate, but any subsequent reductions in the designated rate shall not reduce the interest rate thereon below the Maximum Rate until the total amount of accrued interest equals the amount of interest that would have accrued if that designated rate had always been in effect. If at maturity (stated or by acceleration), or at final payment of the Notes, the total interest paid or accrued is less than the interest that would have accrued if the designated rates had always been in effect, then, at that time and to the extent lawful, the Borrower shall pay an amount equal to the difference between (a) the lesser of the amount of interest that would have accrued if the designated rates had always been in effect and the amount of interest that would have accrued if the Maximum Rate had always been in effect, and (b) the amount of interest actually paid or accrued on the Notes.

SECTION 3.7. INTEREST AND FEE CALCULATIONS.

All computations of interest based on the prime lending rate of the Administrative Agent shall be made by the Administrative Agent on the basis of a year of 365 or 366 days, as the case may be. All computations of facility fees, the LC Fee and interest based on the LIBOR Rate or the Fed Funds Rate shall be made by the Administrative Agent on the basis of a year of 360 days for the actual number of days (including the first day but excluding the last day) occurring in the period for which such facility fees, the LC Fee or interest are payable. Each determination by

the Administrative Agent of an interest rate hereunder shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent manifest error.

SECTION 3.8. MAXIMUM RATE.

Regardless of any provision contained in any Credit Document, no Lender is entitled to contract for, charge, take, reserve, receive or apply, as interest on all or any part of the Obligations, any amount in excess of the Maximum Rate, and, if any Lender ever does so, then any excess shall be treated as a partial prepayment of principal (without regard to Section 3.9) and any remaining excess shall be refunded to the Borrower. In determining if the interest paid or payable exceeds the Maximum Rate, the Borrower and the Lenders shall, to the maximum extent lawful, (a) characterize any nonprincipal payment as an expense, fee or premium rather than as interest, (b) exclude voluntary prepayments and their effects, and (c) amortize, prorate, allocate and spread the total amount of interest throughout the entire contemplated term of the relevant Borrowings. However, if the Obligations are paid in full before the end of their full contemplated term, and if the interest received for the period that the Obligations were outstanding exceeds the Maximum Amount, then the Lenders shall refund any excess (and the Lenders may not, to the extent lawful, be subject to any penalties provided by any Legal Requirements for contracting for, charging, taking, reserving or receiving interest in excess of the Maximum Amount). If the Legal Requirements of the State of Texas are applicable for purposes of determining the "Maximum Rate" or the "Maximum Amount", then those terms mean the "indicated rate ceiling" from time to time in effect under Chapter 303 of the Texas Finance Code. The Borrower agrees that Chapter 346 of the Texas Finance Code (which regulates certain revolving credit loan accounts and revolving tri-party accounts) does not apply to any Borrowings.

SECTION 3.9. INTEREST PERIODS.

When the Borrower requests a LIBOR Rate Borrowing, the Borrower may elect the applicable interest period (each an "INTEREST PERIOD"), which may be, at the Borrower's option, one, two, three or six months for LIBOR Rate Borrowings, subject to Section 14.1 and the following conditions: (a) the initial Interest Period for a LIBOR Rate Borrowing commences on the applicable Borrowing Date or conversion date, and each subsequent Interest Period applicable to any Borrowing commences on the day when the next preceding applicable Interest Period expires; (b) if any Interest Period for a LIBOR Rate Borrowing begins on a day for which no numerically corresponding Business Day in the calendar month at the end of the Interest Period exists, then the Interest Period ends on the last Business Day of that calendar month; (c) if the Borrower is required to pay any portion of a LIBOR Rate Borrowing before the end of its Interest Period in order to comply with the payment provisions of the Credit Documents, the Borrower shall also pay any related Funding Loss; and (d) no more than six Interest Periods may be in effect at one time.

SECTION 3.10. CONVERSIONS.

The Borrower may in accordance with the procedures set forth below (a) convert a LIBOR Rate Borrowing on the last day of the applicable Interest Period to a Base Rate Borrowing, (b) convert a Base Rate Borrowing at any time to a LIBOR Rate Borrowing, and

(c) elect a new Interest Period for a LIBOR Rate Borrowing to commence upon expiration of the then-current Interest Period; provided that the Borrower may not convert to or select a new Interest Period for a LIBOR Rate Borrowing at any time when an Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing. Any such conversion or election may be made by telephonic request to the Administrative Agent no later than 10:00 a.m. on the third Business Day before the conversion date or the last day of the Interest Period, as the case may be (for conversion to a LIBOR Rate Borrowing or election of a new Interest Period), and no later than 11:00 a.m. on the last day of the Interest Period (for conversion to a Base Rate Borrowing). The Borrower shall provide a Conversion Notice to the Administrative Agent no later than two days after the date of the conversion or election. Absent the Borrower's telephonic request for conversion or election of a new Interest Period or if an Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing, then, a LIBOR Rate Borrowing shall be deemed converted to a Base Rate Borrowing effective when the applicable Interest Period expires.

SECTION 3.11. ORDER OF APPLICATION.

Each payment (including proceeds from the exercise of any Rights) of the Obligations shall be applied either (a) if no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing, then in the order and manner specified elsewhere herein, and if not so specified, then in the order and manner as the Borrower directs, or (b) if an Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing or if the Borrower fails to give any direction required under clause (a) above, then in the following order: (i) to all fees, expenses, and indemnified amounts for which the Administrative Agent has not been paid or reimbursed in accordance with the Credit Documents and, except while an Event of Default under Section 11.1 has occurred and is continuing, as to which the Borrower has been invoiced and has failed to pay within ten Business Days of that invoice; (ii) to all fees, expenses and indemnified amounts for which the LC Issuing Bank has not been paid or reimbursed in accordance with the Credit Documents and, except while an Event of Default under Section 11.1 has occurred and is continuing, as to which the Borrower has been invoiced and has failed to pay within ten Business Days of that invoice; (iii) to all fees, expenses and indemnified amounts for which any Lender has not been paid or reimbursed in accordance with the Credit Documents (and if any payment is less than all unpaid or unreimbursed fees and expenses, then that payment shall be applied against unpaid and unreimbursed fees and expenses in the order of incurrence or due date) and, except while an Event of Default under Section 11.1 has occurred and is continuing, as to which the Borrower has been invoiced and has failed to pay within ten Business Days of that invoice; (iv) to accrued interest on the principal amount of the Borrower's reimbursement obligations outstanding in respect of Letters of Credit; (v) to the principal amount of the Borrower's reimbursement obligations outstanding in respect of Letters of Credit; (vi) to the cash collateralization of the Borrower's reimbursement obligations in respect of LC Outstandings not paid pursuant to clause (v) by deposit of funds in the Cash Collateral Account; (vii) to accrued interest on the principal amount of the Borrowings outstanding; (viii) to the principal amount of the Borrowings outstanding in such order as the Required Lenders may elect (but the Lenders agree to apply proceeds in an order that will minimize any Funding Loss); and (ix) to the remaining Obligations in the order and manner the Required Lenders deem appropriate.

SECTION 3.12. SHARING OF PAYMENTS, ETC.

Except as otherwise specifically provided, (a) principal and interest payments on Borrowings and, if the Lenders have purchased a participation in the Borrower's reimbursement obligations in respect of LC Outstandings, such reimbursement obligations, shall be shared by the Lenders in accordance with their respective Commitment Percentages and (b) each other payment on the Obligations shall be shared by the Lenders in the proportion that the Obligations are owed to the Lenders on the date of the payment. If any Lender obtains any payment or prepayment with respect to the Obligations (whether voluntary, involuntary or otherwise, including, without limitation, as a result of exercising its Rights under Section 3.13) that exceeds the part of that payment or prepayment that it is then entitled to receive under the Credit Documents, then that Lender shall purchase from the other Lenders participations that will cause the purchasing Lender to share the excess payment or prepayment ratably with each other Lender. If all or any portion of any excess payment or prepayment is subsequently recovered from the purchasing Lender, then the purchase shall be rescinded and the purchase price restored to the extent of the recovery. The Borrower agrees that any purchase of a participation in any Outstanding Credits from a Lender may, to the fullest extent lawful, exercise all of its Rights of payment (including the Right of offset) with respect to that participation as fully as if that purchaser were the direct creditor of the Borrower in the amount of that participation.

SECTION 3.13. OFFSET.

If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, each Lender is entitled to exercise (for the benefit of all the Lenders) the Rights of offset and banker's Lien against each and every account and other property, or any interest therein, that the Borrower or any Company, other than an Excluded Subsidiary, may now or hereafter have with, or which is now or hereafter in the possession of, that Lender to the extent of the full amount of the Obligations then matured and owed (directly or participated) to it.

SECTION 3.14. BOOKING BORROWINGS.

To the extent lawful, any Lender may make, carry or transfer its Borrowings at, to or for the account of any of its branch offices or the office or branch of any of its Affiliates. However, no Affiliate or branch is entitled to receive any greater payment under Section 3.16 than the transferor Lender would have been entitled to receive with respect to those Borrowings, and a transfer may not be made if, as a direct result of it, Section 3.16 or 3.17 would apply to any of the Obligations. If any of the conditions of Sections 3.16 or 3.17 ever apply to a Lender, that Lender shall, to the extent possible, carry or transfer its Borrowings at, to or for the account of any of its branch offices or the office or branch of any of its Affiliates so long as the transfer is consistent with the other provisions of this section, does not create any burden or adverse circumstance for that Lender that would not otherwise exist, and eliminates or ameliorates the conditions of Section 3.16 or 3.17 as applicable.

SECTION 3.15. BASIS UNAVAILABLE OR INADEQUATE FOR LIBOR RATE.

If, on or before any date when a LIBOR Rate is to be determined for a Borrowing, the Administrative Agent reasonably determines that the basis for determining the applicable rate is $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2}$

not available or any Lender reasonably determines that the resulting rate does not accurately reflect the cost to that Lender of making or converting Borrowings at that rate for the applicable Interest Period, then the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Lenders of that determination (which is conclusive and binding on the Borrower absent manifest error) and the applicable Borrowing shall bear interest at the sum of the Base Rate plus the Applicable Margin. Until the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower that those circumstances no longer exist, the Lenders' commitments under this Agreement to make, or to convert to, LIBOR Rate Borrowings, as the case may be, are suspended.

SECTION 3.16. ADDITIONAL COSTS.

- (a) RESERVES. With respect to any LIBOR Rate Borrowing (i) if any change in any present Legal Requirement, any change in the interpretation or application of any present Legal Requirement, or any future Legal Requirement imposes, modifies or deems applicable (or if compliance by any Lender with any requirement of any Governmental Authority results in) any requirement that any reserves (including, without limitation, any marginal, emergency, supplemental or special reserves) be maintained (other than any reserve included in the LIBOR Reserve Percentage), and (ii) if those reserves reduce any sums receivable by that Lender under this Agreement or increase the costs incurred by that Lender in advancing or maintaining any portion of any LIBOR Rate Borrowing, then (A) that Lender (through the Administrative Agent) shall deliver to the Borrower a certificate setting forth in reasonable detail the calculation of the amount necessary to compensate it for its reduction or increase (which certificate is conclusive and binding absent manifest error), and (B) the Borrower shall pay that amount to that Lender within five Business Days after demand. The provisions of and undertakings and indemnification in this subsection (a) survive the satisfaction and payment of the Obligations and termination of this
- (b) CAPITAL ADEQUACY. With respect to any Borrowing, if any change in any present Legal Requirement (whether or not having the force of law), any change in the interpretation or application of any present Legal Requirement (whether or not having the force of law), or any future Legal Requirement (whether or not having the force of law) regarding capital adequacy, or if compliance by any Lender with any request, directive or requirement imposed in the future by any Governmental Authority regarding capital adequacy, or if any change by any Lender, its holding company, or its applicable lending office in its written policies or in the risk category of this transaction, in any of the foregoing events or circumstances, reduces the rate of return on its capital as a consequence of its obligations under this Agreement to a level below that which it otherwise could have achieved (taking into consideration its policies with respect to capital adequacy) by an amount deemed by it to be material (and it may, in determining the amount, utilize reasonable assumptions and allocations of costs and expenses and use any reasonable averaging or attribution method), then (unless the effect is already reflected in the rate of interest then applicable under this Agreement) the Administrative Agent or that Lender (through the Administrative Agent) shall notify the Borrower and deliver to the Borrower a certificate setting forth in reasonable detail the calculation of the amount necessary to compensate it (which certificate is conclusive and binding absent manifest error), and the Borrower shall pay that amount to the Administrative Agent or that Lender within five Business Days after demand. The provisions of and undertakings and indemnification in this subsection (b) shall survive the satisfaction and payment of the Obligations and termination of this Agreement.

(c) TAXES. Subject to Section 3.19, any Taxes payable by the Administrative Agent or any Lender or ruled (by a Governmental Authority) payable by the Administrative Agent or any Lender in respect of this Agreement or any other Credit Document shall, if permitted by Legal Requirement, be paid by the Borrower, together with interest and penalties, if any, except for Taxes payable on or measured by the overall net income or capital of the Administrative Agent or that Lender (or the Administrative Agent or that Lender, as the case may be, together with any other Person with whom the Administrative Agent or that Lender files a consolidated, combined, unitary or similar Tax return) and except for interest and penalties incurred as a result of the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Administrative Agent or any Lender. The Administrative Agent or that Lender (through the Administrative Agent) shall notify the Borrower and deliver to the Borrower a certificate setting forth in reasonable detail the calculation of the amount of payable Taxes, which certificate is conclusive and binding (absent manifest error), and the Borrower shall pay that amount to the Administrative Agent for its account or the account of that Lender, as the case may be within five Business Days after demand. If the Administrative Agent or that Lender subsequently receives a refund of the Taxes paid to it by the Borrower, then the recipient shall promptly pay the refund to the Borrower.

SECTION 3.17. CHANGE IN LEGAL REQUIREMENTS.

If any Legal Requirement makes it unlawful for any Lender to make or maintain LIBOR Rate Borrowings, then that Lender shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, and (a) as to undisbursed funds, that requested Borrowing shall be made as a Base Rate Borrowing, and (b) as to any outstanding Borrowing, (i) if maintaining the Borrowing until the last day of the applicable Interest Period is unlawful, then the Borrowing shall be converted to a Base Rate Borrowing as of the date of notice, in which event the Borrower will not be required to pay any related Funding Loss, or (ii) if not prohibited by Legal Requirement, then the Borrowing shall be converted to a Base Rate Borrowing as of the last day of the applicable Interest Period, or (iii) if any conversion will not resolve the unlawfulness, then the Borrower shall promptly prepay the Borrowing, without penalty but with related Funding Loss.

SECTION 3.18. FUNDING LOSS.

The Borrower shall indemnify each Lender against, and pay to it within five Business Days following demand and delivery by such Lender to the Borrower of the certificate herein provided, any Funding Loss of that Lender. When any Lender demands that the Borrower pay any Funding Loss, that Lender shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent a certificate setting forth in reasonable detail the basis for imposing Funding Loss and the calculation of the amount, which calculation is conclusive and binding absent manifest error. The provisions of and undertakings and indemnification in this section survive the satisfaction and payment of the Obligations and termination of this Agreement.

SECTION 3.19. FOREIGN LENDERS, PARTICIPANTS AND ASSIGNEES.

Each Lender, Participant (by accepting a participation interest under this Agreement) and Assignee (by executing an Assignment) that is not organized under the Legal Requirements of the United States of America or one of its states (a) represents to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower that (i) no Taxes are required to be withheld by the Administrative Agent or the

Borrower with respect to any payments to be made to it in respect of the Obligations and (ii) it has furnished to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower two duly completed copies of either U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or W-8ECI or any other form acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower that entitles it to a complete exemption from U.S. federal withholding Tax on all interest or fee payments under the Credit Documents, and (b) covenants to (i) provide the Administrative Agent and the Borrower a new Form W-8BEN or W-8ECI or other form acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower upon the expiration or obsolescence according to Legal Requirement of any previously delivered form, duly executed and completed by it, entitling it to a complete exemption from U.S. federal withholding Tax on all interest and fee payments under the Credit Documents, and (ii) comply from time to time with all Legal Requirements with regard to the withholding Tax exemption. If any of the foregoing is not true at any time or the applicable forms are not provided, then the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (without duplication) may deduct and withhold from interest and fee payments under the Credit Documents any Tax at the maximum rate under the IRC or other applicable Legal Requirement, and amounts so deducted and withheld shall be treated as paid to that Lender, Participant or Assignee, as the case may be, for all purposes under the Credit

SECTION 3.20. DISCHARGE AND REINSTATEMENT.

Each Company's obligations under the Credit Documents remain in full force and effect until no Lender has any commitment to extend credit under the Credit Documents and the Obligations are fully paid (except for provisions under the Credit Documents which by their terms expressly survive payment of the Obligations and termination of the Credit Documents). If any payment under any Credit Document is ever rescinded or must be restored or returned for any reason, then all Rights and obligations under the Credit Documents in respect of that payment are automatically reinstated as though the payment had not been made when due.

ARTICLE IV

SECTION 4.1. TREATMENT OF FEES.

The fees described in this Section 4.1 (a) are not compensation for the use, detention or forbearance of money, (b) are in addition to, and not in lieu of, interest and expenses otherwise described in this Agreement, (c) are payable in accordance with Section 3.1, (d) are non-refundable and (e) to the fullest extent permitted by Legal Requirement, bear interest, if not paid when due, at the Default Rate.

SECTION 4.2. FACILITY FEE.

The Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Lender the Facility Fee from the date hereof until the Termination Date, payable on the last day of each March, June, September and December, commencing on the first such date that follows the Closing Date, and on the Termination Date.

SECTION 4.3. LETTER OF CREDIT FEES.

The Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Lender a fee (the "LC FEE") on the average daily amount of the sum of the undrawn stated amounts of all Letters of Credit outstanding on each such day, from the date hereof until the later to occur of the Termination Date and the date that no Letters of Credit are outstanding, payable on the last day of each March, June, September and December, commencing on the first such date that follows the date of this Agreement and such later date, at a rate equal at all times to the Applicable Margin in effect from time to time for LIBOR Rate Borrowings. In addition, the Borrower shall pay to the LC Issuing Bank such fees for the issuance and maintenance of Letters of Credit and for drawings thereunder as may be separately agreed between the Borrower and the LC Issuing Bank.

ARTICLE V CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

This Agreement shall not be effective unless the Administrative Agent has received all of the items described in Schedule 5. In addition, no Lender is obligated to fund (as opposed to continue or convert) any Borrowing, and the LC Issuing Bank is not obligated to issue any Letter of Credit, unless on the date of the applicable Extension of Credit (and after giving effect to the requested Extension of Credit): (a) the Administrative Agent has timely received a properly completed and duly executed Borrowing Request or Request for Issuance, as applicable; (b) all of the representations and warranties of the Companies in the Credit Documents are true and correct in all material respects (unless they speak to a specific date or are based on facts which have changed by transactions contemplated or expressly permitted by this Agreement); (c) no Material Adverse Event, Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing; and (d) no limitation in Section 2.1 or 2.5 is or would be exceeded by the requested Extension of Credit. Each Borrowing Request and Request for Issuance, however delivered, constitutes the Borrower's representation and warranty that the conditions in subsections (b) through (d) above are satisfied. Upon the Administrative Agent's or any Lender's reasonable request, the Borrower shall deliver to the Administrative Agent or such Lender evidence substantiating any of the matters in the Credit Documents that are necessary to enable the Borrower to qualify for the requested Extension of Credit. Each condition precedent in this Agreement (including, without limitation, those on Schedule 5) is material to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, and time is of the essence with respect to each condition precedent.

ARTICLE VI GUARANTIES

The Borrower shall cause each Significant Subsidiary (other than any Excluded Subsidiary of the Borrower), whether now existing or in the future formed or acquired as permitted by the Credit Documents, to unconditionally guarantee the full payment and performance of the Obligations by execution of a Guaranty. Any Guaranty delivered by a Guarantor after the Closing Date pursuant to this Article VI shall be accompanied by (a) an opinion of counsel to such Guarantor as to the enforceability of such Guaranty and such other matters as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request, (b) certified copies of the

Constituent Documents of such Guarantor, (c) certified copies of all corporate or partnership (as the case may be) authorizations and approvals of Governmental Authorities required in connection with the execution, delivery and performance by such Guarantor of such Guaranty, and (d) such other certificates, documents and other information regarding such Guarantor as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request.

ARTICLE VII REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

The Borrower represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank and the Lenders as follows:

SECTION 7.1. PURPOSE.

The Borrower will use the proceeds of the Extensions of Credit for (i) general purposes, including without limitation the making of Investments in Subsidiaries and Affiliates of the Borrower, (ii) acquisitions and (iii) capital expenditures. No Company is engaged principally, or as one of its important activities, in the business of extending credit for the purpose of purchasing or carrying any "margin stock" within the meaning of the Margin Regulations, and no part of the proceeds of any Borrowing will be used, directly or indirectly, for a purpose that violates any Legal Requirement, including the Margin Regulations.

SECTION 7.2. SUBSIDIARIES AND SIGNIFICANT SUBSIDIARIES.

Schedule 7.2 describes the Borrower, all of its direct and indirect Subsidiaries and all of its Significant Subsidiaries as of the date hereof.

SECTION 7.3. EXISTENCE, AUTHORITY AND GOOD STANDING.

Each Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Legal Requirements of its jurisdiction of formation. Except where not a Material Adverse Event, each such Company is duly qualified to transact business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction where the nature and extent of its business and properties require due qualification and good standing (each of which jurisdictions is identified on Schedule 7.2). Each Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) possesses all requisite authority and power to conduct its business as is now being conducted and as proposed under the Credit Documents to be conducted and to own and operated under the Credit Documents.

SECTION 7.4. AUTHORIZATION AND CONTRAVENTION.

The execution and delivery by each Company of each Credit Document to which it is a party and the performance by it of its obligations under those Credit Documents (a) are within its corporate, partnership or comparable organizational powers, (b) have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate, partnership or comparable organizational action, (c) require no notice to, consents or approval of, action by or filing with, any Governmental Authority (except any action or filing that has been taken or made on or before the Closing Date), (d) do not violate any

provision of any of its Constituent Documents, and (e) except violations that individually or collectively are not a Material Adverse Event, do not violate any provision of Legal Requirement applicable to it or any material agreement to which it is a party.

SECTION 7.5. BINDING EFFECT.

Upon execution and delivery by all parties to it, each Credit Document will constitute a legal and binding obligation of each Company party to it, enforceable against it in accordance with that Credit Document's terms except as that enforceability may be limited by Debtor Laws and general principles of equity.

SECTION 7.6. CURRENT FINANCIALS.

The Current Financials were prepared in accordance with GAAP and present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Companies as of, and for the portion of the fiscal year ending on their dates (subject only to normal year-end adjustments for interim statements). Except for transactions directly related to, specifically contemplated by or expressly permitted by the Credit Documents, no material adverse changes have occurred in such consolidated financial condition from that shown in the Current Financials.

SECTION 7.7. SOLVENCY.

Each of the Borrower and each Guarantor is Solvent.

SECTION 7.8. LITIGATION.

Except as disclosed on Schedule 7.8 and matters covered (subject to reasonable and customary deductible and retention) by insurance or indemnification agreements as to which the insurer or indemnifying party, as applicable, has acknowledged liability, (a) no Company is subject to, or aware of the threat of, any Litigation that is reasonably likely to be determined adversely to any Company and, if so adversely determined, would be a Material Adverse Event, and (b) no outstanding and unpaid judgments against any Company exist that would be a Material Adverse Event.

SECTION 7.9. TAXES.

Except where not a Material Adverse Event, (a) all Tax returns of each Company required to be filed have been filed (or extensions have been granted) before delinquency, and (b) all Taxes imposed upon each Company that are due and payable have been paid before delinquency except as being contested as permitted by Section 8.5.

SECTION 7.10. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW AND ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS.

Except as disclosed on Schedule 7.10, (a) no Company has received notice from any Governmental Authority that it has actual or potential Environmental Liability and no Company has knowledge that it has any Environmental Liability, which actual or potential Environmental Liability in either case constitutes a Material Adverse Event, and (b) no Company has received

notice from any Governmental Authority that any Real Property is affected by, and no Company has knowledge that any Real Property is affected by, any Release of any Hazardous Substance which constitutes a Material Adverse Event. Further, except as otherwise provided in any Credit Document, each Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) is in compliance with clause (a) of Section 9.6.

SECTION 7.11. EMPLOYEE PLANS

Except as disclosed on Schedule 7.11 or where not a Material Adverse Event, (a) no Employee Plan subject to ERISA has incurred an "accumulated funding deficiency" (as defined in Section 302 of ERISA or Section 512 of the IRC), (b) neither any Company nor any ERISA Affiliate has incurred liability, except for liabilities for premiums that have been paid or that are not past due, under ERISA to the PBGC in connection with any Employee Plan, (c) neither any Company nor any ERISA Affiliate has withdrawn in whole or in part from participation in a Multiemployer Plan in a manner that has given rise to a withdrawal liability under Title IV of ERISA, (d) neither the Borrower nor any ERISA Affiliate has engaged in any "prohibited transaction" (as defined in Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the IRC), (e) no "reportable event" (as defined in Section 4043 of ERISA) has occurred excluding events for which the notice requirement is waived under applicable PBGC regulations, (f) neither any Company nor any ERISA Affiliate has any liability, or is subject to any Lien, under ERISA or the IRC to or on account of any Employee Plan, (g) each Employee Plan subject to ERISA and the IRC complies in all material respects, both in form and operation, with ERISA and the IRC, and (h) no Multiemployer Plan subject to the IRC is in reorganization within the meaning of Section 418 of the IRC. None of the matters disclosed on Schedule 7.11 give rise to any other "reportable events", as defined above.

SECTION 7.12. DEBT.

No Company has any Debt except as described on Schedule 7.12 or otherwise incurred after the date hereof in accordance with this Agreement.

SECTION 7.13. PROPERTIES; LIENS.

Each Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) has good and indefeasible title to all of its property reflected on the Current Financials as being owned by it except for property that is obsolete or that has been disposed of in the ordinary course of business between the date of the Current Financials and the date of this Agreement or, after the date of this Agreement, as permitted by Sections 9.8 and 9.9. No Lien exists on any property of any Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) except as described on Schedule 7.13 and other Permitted Liens. No Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) is party or subject to any agreement, instrument or order which in any way restricts any such Company's ability to allow Liens to exist upon any of its assets except relating to Permitted Liens.

SECTION 7.14. GOVERNMENTAL REGULATIONS.

No Company is subject to regulation under the Investment Company Act of 1940 or the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

SECTION 7.15. TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES.

Except as otherwise disclosed on Schedule 7.15 or permitted by Section 9.5, no Company is a party to a material transaction with any of its Affiliates.

SECTION 7.16. LEASES.

Except where not a Material Adverse Event, (a) each Company enjoys peaceful and undisturbed possession under all leases necessary for the operation of its properties and assets, and (b) all material leases under which any Company is a lessee are in full force and effect.

SECTION 7.17. LABOR MATTERS.

Except where not a Material Adverse Event, (a) no actual or threatened strikes, labor disputes, slow downs, walkouts, work stoppages or other concerted interruptions of operations that involve any employees employed at any time in connection with the business activities or operations at the Real Property exist, (b) hours worked by and payment made to the employees of any Company or any Predecessor have not been in violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act or any other applicable Legal Requirements pertaining to labor matters, (c) all payments due from any Company for employee health and welfare insurance, including, without limitation, workers compensation insurance, have been paid or accrued as a liability on its books, and (d) the business activities and operations of each Company are in compliance with OSHA and other applicable health and safety Legal Requirements.

SECTION 7.18. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY.

Except where not a Material Adverse Event, (a) each Company owns or has the right to use all material licenses, patents, patent applications, copyrights, service marks, trademarks, trademark applications and trade names necessary to continue to conduct its businesses as presently conducted by it and proposed to be conducted by it immediately after the date of this Agreement, (b) each Company is conducting its business without infringement or claim of infringement of any license, patent, copyright, service mark, trademark, trade name, trade secret or other intellectual property right of others and (c) no infringement or claim of infringement by others of any material license, patent, copyright, service mark, trademark, trade name, trade secret or other intellectual property of any Company exists.

SECTION 7.19. INSURANCE.

All insurance required under Section 8.9 is in full force and effect.

SECTION 7.20. RESTRICTIONS ON DISTRIBUTIONS.

Except as disclosed on Schedule 7.20, no Subsidiary (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) of the Borrower is subject to any restriction on such Subsidiary's ability to directly or indirectly declare, make or pay Distributions to the Borrower.

SECTION 7.21. FULL DISCLOSURE.

Each fact or condition relating to any Company's financial condition, business or property that is a Material Adverse Event has been disclosed in writing to the Administrative Agent. All information previously furnished by any Company to the Administrative Agent in connection with the Credit Documents (the "DISCLOSED INFORMATION") was (and all information furnished in the future by any Company to the Administrative Agent will be) true and accurate in all material respects. As of the Closing Date, the Disclosed Information taken as a whole, was not misleading in any material respect and did not omit to disclose any matter the failure of which to be disclosed would result in any information contained in the Disclosed Information being misleading in any material respect.

ARTICLE VIII AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS

Until the Commitments have been terminated and the Obligations have been fully paid and performed, the Borrower covenants and agrees with the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank and the Lenders that, without first obtaining the Required Lenders' written consent to the contrary:

SECTION 8.1. CERTAIN ITEMS FURNISHED.

- (a) ANNUAL FINANCIALS OF THE BORROWER. Promptly after preparation but no later than 90 days after the last day of each fiscal year of the Borrower, Financials showing the consolidated financial condition and results of operations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of, and for the year ended on, that last day setting forth in comparative form the figures for the previous fiscal year, accompanied by (i) the opinion, without material qualification, of KPMG LLP or other firm of nationally-recognized independent certified public accountants reasonably acceptable to the Required Lenders, based on an audit (other than in the case of consolidating Financials) using generally accepted auditing standards, that those Financials were prepared in accordance with GAAP and present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated and consolidating financial condition and results of operations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, and (ii) a related Compliance Certificate from a Responsible Officer, on behalf of the Borrower.
- (b) QUARTERLY REPORTS. Promptly after preparation but no later than 45 days after the last day of (i) each of the first three fiscal quarters of the Borrower and the Companies each year, Financials showing the consolidated financial condition and results of operations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for that fiscal quarter and for the period from the beginning of the current fiscal year to the last day of that fiscal quarter setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding quarter and the corresponding portion of the previous fiscal year, accompanied, in each case, by a related Compliance Certificate, together with a completed copy of the schedule to that certificate, signed by a Responsible Officer, on behalf of the Borrower and (ii) each fiscal quarter of the Borrower prior to the Completion Date, a report detailing the progress of the FINA/BASF Project, in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

- (c) OTHER REPORTS. Promptly after preparation and distribution, accurate and complete copies of all reports and other material communications about material financial matters or material corporate plans or projections by or for any Company for distribution to any Governmental Authority or any creditor, other than credit, trade and other reports prepared and distributed in the ordinary course of business and information otherwise furnished to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders under this Agreement.
- (d) EMPLOYEE PLANS. As soon as possible and within 30 days after any Company knows that any event which would constitute a reportable event under Section 4043(b) of Title IV of ERISA with respect to any Employee Plan subject to ERISA has occurred, or that the PBGC has instituted or will institute proceedings under ERISA to terminate that plan, deliver a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower setting forth details as to that reportable event and the action that the Borrower or an ERISA Affiliate, as the case may be, proposes to take with respect to it, together with a copy of any notice of that reportable event which may be required to be filed with the PBGC, or any notice delivered by the PBGC evidencing its intent to institute those proceedings or any notice to the PBGC that the plan is to be terminated, as the case may be. For all purposes of this section, each Company is deemed to have all knowledge of all facts attributable to the plan administrator under ERISA.
- (e) OTHER NOTICES. Notice, promptly after the Borrower knows, of (i) the existence and status of any Litigation that is reasonably likely to be adversely determined and, if determined adversely to any Company, would be a Material Adverse Event, (ii) any change in any material fact or circumstance represented or warranted by any Company in any Credit Document, (iii) an Event of Default or Potential Default, specifying the nature thereof and what action the Companies have taken, are taking or propose to take with respect to such event, (iv) any default or potential default under any FINA/BASF Contract, and (v) the Completion Date.
- (f) OTHER INFORMATION. Promptly when reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender, such reasonable information (not otherwise required to be furnished under this Agreement) about any Company's business affairs, assets and liabilities.

SECTION 8.2. USE OF CREDIT.

The Borrower shall use the proceeds of Borrowings only for the purposes specified in this $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Agreement}}.$

SECTION 8.3. BOOKS AND RECORDS.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company to, maintain books, records, and accounts necessary to prepare Financials in accordance with GAAP.

SECTION 8.4. INSPECTIONS.

Upon reasonable request and subject to compliance with applicable safety standards, with contractual privilege and non-disclosure agreements, and with the same conditions applicable to any Company in respect of property of that Company on the premises of other Persons, the Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company to, allow the Administrative Agent, the LC

Issuing Bank or any Lender (or their respective Representatives) to inspect any of its properties, to review reports, files and other records and to make and take away copies thereof, to conduct reasonable tests or investigations, and to discuss any of its affairs, conditions and finances with its other creditors, directors, officers, employees or representatives from time to time, during reasonable business hours.

SECTION 8.5. TAXES.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company to, promptly pay when due any and all Taxes except Taxes that are being contested in good faith by lawful proceedings diligently conducted, against which reserve or other provision required by GAAP has been made, and in respect of which levy and execution of any Lien sufficient to be enforced has been and continues to be stayed.

SECTION 8.6. PAYMENT OF MATERIAL OBLIGATIONS.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to, promptly pay (or renew and extend) all of its material obligations as they become due (unless the obligations are being contested in good faith by, if required, appropriate proceedings).

SECTION 8.7. EXPENSES.

Within ten Business Days after demand accompanied by an invoice describing the costs, fees and expenses in reasonable detail (and subject to any limitations separately agreed to in writing by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in respect of costs, fees and expenses of the Administrative Agent or any of its Representatives), the Borrower shall pay (a) all costs, fees and reasonable expenses paid or incurred by the Administrative Agent incident to any Credit Document (including the reasonable fees and expenses of the Administrative Agent's counsel in connection with the negotiation, preparation, delivery and execution of the Credit Documents and any related amendment, waiver or consent) and (b) all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender in connection with the enforcement of the obligations of any Company under the Credit Documents or the exercise of any Rights under the Credit Documents (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs), all of which are part of the Obligations, bearing interest (if not paid within ten Business Days after demand accompanied by an invoice describing the costs, fees and expenses in reasonable detail) on the portion thereof from time to time unpaid at the Default Rate until paid.

SECTION 8.8. MAINTENANCE OF EXISTENCE, ASSETS AND BUSINESS.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to, (a) except in connection with dispositions permitted under Section 9.8, mergers, consolidations and dissolutions permitted under Section 9.9 and statutory conversions to another form of entity as permitted by applicable Legal Requirements, maintain its existence and good standing in its state of formation, and (b) except where not a Material Adverse Event, (i) maintain its authority to transact business and good standing in all other states, (ii) maintain all licenses, permits and franchises (including Environmental Permits) necessary for its business, and (iii) keep all of its material assets that are useful in and necessary to its business in good working order and condition (ordinary wear and tear excepted) and make all necessary repairs and replacements.

SECTION 8.9. INSURANCE.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to, at its cost and expense, maintain with financially sound, responsible and reputable insurance companies or associations (or, as to workers' compensation or similar insurance, with an insurance fund or by self-insurance authorized by the jurisdictions in which it operates) insurance concerning its properties and businesses against casualties and contingencies and of types and in amounts (and with co-insurance and deductibles) as is customary in the case of similar businesses.

SECTION 8.10. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company to, (a) operate and manage its businesses and otherwise conduct its affairs in compliance with all Environmental Laws and Environmental Permits except to the extent noncompliance does not constitute a Material Adverse Event, (b) promptly deliver to the Administrative Agent a copy of any notice received from any Governmental Authority alleging that any such Company is not in compliance with any Environmental Law or Environmental Permit if the allegation constitutes a Material Adverse Event, and (c) promptly deliver to the Administrative Agent a copy of any notice received from any Governmental Authority alleging that any such Company has any potential Environmental Liability if the allegation constitutes a Material Adverse Event.

SECTION 8.11. INDEMNIFICATION.

(a) AS USED IN THIS SECTION: (I) "INDEMNITEE" MEANS THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, THE LC ISSUING BANK, EACH LENDER, EACH PRESENT AND FUTURE AFFILIATE (WITH WHICH ANY COMPANY HAS ENTERED INTO A WRITTEN CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENT) OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, THE LC ISSUING BANK OR ANY LENDER, EACH PRESENT AND FUTURE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, THE LC ISSUING BANK, ANY LENDER OR ANY OF THOSE AFFILIATES AND EACH PRESENT AND FUTURE SUCCESSOR AND PERMITTED ASSIGN OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, THE LC ISSUING BANK, ANY LENDER OR ANY OF THOSE AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES; AND (II) "INDEMNIFIED LIABILITIES" MEANS ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN, FIXED AND CONTINGENT, ADMINISTRATIVE, INVESTIGATIONS, SUITS, PROCEEDINGS, AMOUNTS PAID IN SETTLEMENT, DAMAGES, JUDGMENTS, PENALTIES, COURT COSTS, LIABILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS -- AND ALL COSTS AND REASONABLE EXPENSES AND DISBURSEMENTS (INCLUDING ALL REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES WHETHER OR NOT SUIT OR OTHER PROCEEDING EXISTS OR ANY INDEMNITEE IS PARTY TO ANY SUIT OR OTHER PROCEEDING) IN ANY WAY RELATED TO ANY OF THE FOREGOING -- THAT MAY AT ANY TIME BE IMPOSED ON, INCURRED BY OR ASSERTED AGAINST ANY INDEMNITEE AND IN ANY WAY

ARISING OUT OF ANY (A) CREDIT DOCUMENT, TRANSACTION CONTEMPLATED BY ANY CREDIT DOCUMENT OR REAL PROPERTY, (B) ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY IN ANY WAY RELATED TO ANY COMPANY, PREDECESSOR, REAL PROPERTY OR ACT, OMISSION, STATUS, OWNERSHIP OR OTHER RELATIONSHIP, CONDITION OR CIRCUMSTANCE CONTEMPLATED BY, CREATED UNDER OR ARISING PURSUANT TO OR IN CONNECTION WITH ANY CREDIT DOCUMENT, OR (C) INDEMNITEE'S SOLE OR CONCURRENT ORDINARY NEGLIGENCE.

- (b) THE BORROWER SHALL INDEMNIFY EACH INDEMNITEE FROM AND AGAINST, PROTECT AND DEFEND EACH INDEMNITEE FROM AND AGAINST, HOLD EACH INDEMNITEE HARMLESS FROM AND AGAINST, AND ON DEMAND PAY OR REIMBURSE EACH INDEMNITEE FOR, ALL INDEMNIFIED LIABILITIES.
- (c) THE FOREGOING PROVISIONS (i) ARE NOT LIMITED IN AMOUNT EVEN IF THAT AMOUNT EXCEEDS THE OBLIGATIONS, (ii) INCLUDE, WITHOUT LIMITATION, REASONABLE FEES AND EXPENSES OF ATTORNEYS AND OTHER COSTS AND EXPENSES OF LITIGATION OR PREPARING FOR LITIGATION AND DAMAGES OR INJURY TO PERSONS, PROPERTY OR NATURAL RESOURCES ARISING UNDER ANY STATUTORY OR COMMON LEGAL REQUIREMENT, PUNITIVE DAMAGES, FINES AND OTHER PENALTIES, AND (iii) ARE NOT AFFECTED BY THE SOURCE OR ORIGIN OF ANY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, AND (iv) ARE NOT AFFECTED BY ANY INDEMNITEE'S INVESTIGATION, ACTUAL OR CONSTRUCTIVE KNOWLEDGE, COURSE OF DEALING OR WAIVER.
- (d) HOWEVER, NO INDEMNITEE IS ENTITLED TO BE INDEMNIFIED UNDER THE CREDIT DOCUMENTS FOR ITS OWN SOLE GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR SOLE WILLFUL MISCONDUCT.

ARTICLE IX NEGATIVE COVENANTS

Until the Commitments have been terminated and the Obligations have been fully paid and performed, the Borrower covenants and agrees with the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank and the Lenders that, without first obtaining the Required Lenders' consent to the contrary:

SECTION 9.1. DEBT.

The Borrower will not cause or permit any other Company to, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Debt except the following (the "PERMITTED DEBT"):

- (a) SUBSIDIARY GUARANTIES. Guaranties of any Debt of the Borrower.
- (b) PERMITTED NON-RECOURSE DEBT. Permitted Non-Recourse Debt.
- (c) CENTENNIAL GUARANTY. Upon the acquisition by TE Products of a one-third interest in the Centennial Pipeline Project, Debt arising under the Centennial Guaranty.

- (d) ADDITIONAL DEBT. Additional Debt not described in clauses (a) through (c) above incurred by the Guarantors in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$25,000,000.
- (e) EXISTING DEBT. The Debt described on Schedule 7.12, together with all renewals, extensions, amendments, modifications and refinancings of (but not any principal increases to) any of such Debt.

SECTION 9.2. PREPAYMENTS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company, other than an Excluded Subsidiary, to, prepay or redeem or cause to be prepaid or redeemed any principal of, or any interest on, any of its Debt except (a) the Obligations and (b) any of its other Debt if (i) no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing immediately before, or will occur as a result of (or otherwise will occur immediately after), the prepayment or redemption, and (ii) in respect of any prepayment or redemption of the Senior Notes, the Borrower concurrently prepays to the Lenders Borrowings (and/or cash collateralizes LC Outstandings) in a principal amount that is in the same proportion to the total Outstanding Credits immediately before such prepayment as the amount of principal of the Senior Notes then being prepaid or redeemed bears to the total principal amount of the Senior Notes immediately before such prepayment or redemption in accordance with Section 3.2(c)(iv).

SECTION 9.3. LIENS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company: (a) to create, incur or suffer or permit to be created or incurred or to exist any Lien upon any of its assets except Permitted Liens or (b) to enter into or permit to exist any arrangement or agreement that directly or indirectly prohibits any Company from creating or incurring any Lien on any of its assets except (i) the Credit Documents, (ii) any lease that places a Lien prohibition on only the property subject to that lease and (iii) arrangements and agreements that apply only to property subject to Permitted Liens. The following are "PERMITTED LIENS":

- (a) EXISTING LIENS. The Liens existing on the date of this Agreement and described on Schedule 7.13 and any renewal, extension, amendment or modification of any of such Lien, provided that the total principal amount secured by any such Lien never exceeds the total principal amount secured by such Lien on the date of this Agreement.
- (b) THIS TRANSACTION. Liens, if any, ever granted to the Administrative Agent in favor of the LC Issuing Bank and the Lenders to secure all of any part of the Obligations.
- (c) BONDS. Liens securing any industrial development, pollution control or similar revenue bonds that never exceed a total principal amount of \$25,000,000.
- (d) FORECLOSED PROPERTIES. Liens existing on any property acquired by any Company in connection with the foreclosure or other exercise of its Lien on the property.
- (e) SETOFFS. Rights of set off or recoupment and banker's Liens, subject to any limitations imposed upon them in the Credit Documents.

- (f) INSURANCE. Pledges or deposits made to secure payment of workers' compensation, unemployment insurance or other forms of governmental insurance or benefits or to participate in any fund in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, pensions or other social security programs.
- (g) BIDS AND BONDS. Good faith pledges or deposits (i) for 10% or less of the amounts due under (and made to secure) any Company's performance of bids, tenders, contracts (except for the repayment of borrowed money), (ii) in respect of any operating lease, that are for up to but not more than the greater of either 10% of the total rental obligations for the term of the lease or 50% of the total rental obligations payable during the first year of the lease, or (iii) made to secure statutory obligations, surety or appeal bonds, or indemnity, performance or other similar bonds benefiting any Company in the ordinary course of its business.
- (h) PERMITS. Conditions in any permit, license or order issued by a Governmental Authority for the ownership and operation of a pipeline that do not materially impair the ownership or operation of such pipeline.
- (i) PROPERTY RESTRICTIONS. Zoning and similar restrictions on the use of, and easements, restrictions, covenants, title defects and similar encumbrances on, any Real Property or pipeline right-of-way that (i) do not materially impair the Company's use of the Real Property or pipeline right-of-way and (ii) are not violated by existing structures (including the pipeline) or current land use.
- (j) EMINENT DOMAIN. The Right reserved to, or vested in, any Governmental Authority (or granted by a Governmental Authority to another Person) by the terms of any Right, franchise, grant, license, permit or Legal Requirements to purchase or recapture, or to designate a purchaser of, any property.
- (k) INCHOATE LIENS. If no Lien has been filed in any jurisdiction or agreed to, (i) claims and Liens for Taxes not yet due and payable, (ii) mechanic's Liens and materialman's Liens for services or materials and similar Liens incident to construction and maintenance of real property, in each case for which payment is not yet due and payable, (iii) landlord 's Liens for rental not yet due and payable, and (iv) Liens of warehousemen and carriers and similar Liens securing obligations that are not yet due and payable.
- (1) PERMITTED NON-RECOURSE DEBT. Liens securing obligations in respect of Permitted Non-Recourse Debt of any Subsidiary of the Borrower.
- (m) MISCELLANEOUS. Any of the following to the extent that the validity or amount is being contested in good faith and by appropriate and lawful proceedings diligently conducted, reserve or other appropriate provision (if any) required by GAAP has been made, levy and execution has not issued or continues to be stayed, and they do not individually or collectively detract materially from the value of the property of the Company in question or materially impair the use of that property in the operation of its business: (i) claims and Liens for Taxes; (ii) claims and Liens upon, and defects of title to, real or personal property, including any attachment of personal or real property or other legal process before adjudication of a dispute on the merits; (iii) claims and Liens of mechanics, materialmen, warehousemen, carriers, landlords or other

similar Liens; (iv) Liens incident to construction and maintenance of real property; and (v) adverse judgments, attachments or orders on appeal for the payment of money.

SECTION 9.4. EMPLOYEE PLANS.

Except as disclosed on Schedule 7.11 or where not a Material Adverse Event, the Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, permit any of the events or circumstances described in Section 7.11 to exist or occur.

SECTION 9.5. TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, enter into any material transaction with any of its Affiliates except (a) those described on Schedule 7.15, (b) transactions between the Borrower and a Guarantor, (c) transactions permitted under Section 9.1 or 9.7, (d) transactions in the ordinary course of business and upon fair and reasonable terms not materially less favorable than it could obtain or could become entitled to in an arm's-length transaction with a Person that was not its Affiliate, and (e) compensation arrangements in the ordinary course of business with directors and officers of the Companies.

SECTION 9.6. COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND DOCUMENTS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to: (a) violate the provisions of any Legal Requirements (including, without limitation, OSHA and Environmental Laws) applicable to it or of any material agreement to which it is a party if that violation alone, or when aggregated with all other violations of Legal Requirements or other material agreements, would be a Material Adverse Event, (b) violate in any material respect any provision of its Constituent Documents, or (c) repeal, replace or amend any provision of its Constituent Documents if that action would be a Material Adverse Event.

SECTION 9.7. DISTRIBUTIONS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to declare, make or pay any Distribution other than (a) Distributions from any Subsidiary of the Borrower to the Borrower and the other owners (if any) of Equity Interests in such Subsidiary, and (b) Distributions by the Borrower that (i) will not violate its Constituent Documents and (ii) do not exceed "Available Cash" as defined in the Borrower's Agreement of Limited Partnership, in each case, so long as no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing or will occur as a result of such Distribution.

SECTION 9.8. DISPOSITION OF ASSETS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to, sell, assign, lease, transfer or otherwise dispose of any of its assets (including equity interests in any other Company) other than (a) pursuant to the Aerie Leases, (b) dispositions in the ordinary course of business for a fair and adequate consideration, (c) dispositions to any other Company that is a Guarantor, (d) dispositions to any Excluded Subsidiary in connection with a transaction involving the issuance by such Excluded Subsidiary of Permitted Non-Recourse Debt for the purposes described in clause (ii) of the definition of

"Permitted Non-Recourse Debt", (e) dispositions of assets that are obsolete or are no longer in use and are not significant to the continuation of such Company's business and (f) any other disposition of assets, provided that the Borrower is in compliance with Section 3.2(c), if applicable, with respect to such disposition of assets.

SECTION 9.9. MERGERS, CONSOLIDATIONS AND DISSOLUTIONS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to, merge or consolidate with any other Person or dissolve, except (a) so long as no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing or will occur as a result of such transaction, any merger or consolidation involving one or more Companies (so long as, if the Borrower is involved, it is the survivor), and (b) dissolution of any Company (other than the Borrower) if substantially all of its assets have been conveyed to any Company or disposed of as permitted in Section 9.8.

SECTION 9.10. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUENT DOCUMENTS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to, materially amend or modify its Constituent Documents.

SECTION 9.11. ASSIGNMENT.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, assign or transfer any of its Rights, duties or obligations under any of the Credit Documents.

SECTION 9.12. FISCAL YEAR AND ACCOUNTING METHODS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, change its fiscal year for accounting purposes or any material aspect of its method of accounting except to conform any new Subsidiary's accounting methods to the Borrower's accounting methods.

SECTION 9.13. NEW BUSINESS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, engage in any business except the businesses in which it is presently engaged and any other reasonably related business.

SECTION 9.14. GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, conduct its business in a way that causes the Borrower or such Company to become regulated under the Investment Company Act of 1940 or the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

SECTION 9.15. SENIOR NOTES.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, (i) secure the obligations of any Company under the Senior Notes or the related Indenture, (ii) increase the principal amount of the Senior Notes, (iii) amend or modify any scheduled date of payment of

principal under the Senior Notes or the related Indenture, or (iv) increase the stated rate of any interest applicable to the Senior Notes.

SECTION 9.16. STRICT COMPLIANCE.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, do indirectly anything that it may not do directly under any covenant in any Credit Document.

SECTION 9.17. RESTRICTIVE AGREEMENTS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, enter into any agreement, contract, arrangement or other obligation if the effect of such agreement, contract, arrangement or other obligation is (a) to impose any restriction, other than in connection with the issuance by any Subsidiary of the Borrower of Permitted Non-Recourse Debt, on the ability of any such Subsidiary to make or declare Distributions to the holders of its Equity Interests that is more restrictive than the restrictions that are in effect on the date of this Agreement and disclosed on Schedule 7.20 or (b) to restrict the ability of any Company to create or maintain Liens on its assets in favor of the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank and the Lenders to secure, in whole or part, the Obligations, except with respect to (i) agreements, contracts, arrangements or other obligations of any Subsidiary of the Borrower acquired by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of the Borrower after the date hereof to the extent that such acquired Subsidiary was a party to such agreements, contracts, arrangements or other obligations prior to its acquisition by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of the Borrower and (ii) the issuance by any Subsidiary of the Borrower of Permitted Non-Recourse Debt.

ARTICLE X FINANCIAL COVENANTS

Until the Commitments have been terminated and the Obligations have been fully paid and performed, the Borrower covenants and agrees with the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank and the Lenders that, without first obtaining the Required Lenders' consent to the contrary:

SECTION 10.1. MINIMUM NET WORTH.

As of the last day of each fiscal quarter of the Borrower, Consolidated Net Worth will not be less than the sum of (a) 80% of Consolidated Net Worth as of December 31, 2000, plus (b) 100% of the Net Cash Proceeds of all Equity Events occurring after December 31, 2000.

12/31/01 and thereafter

4.50 to 1.00

SECTION 10.2. MAXIMUM FUNDED DEBT TO PRO FORMA EBITDA.

As of the last day of each fiscal quarter of the Borrower, the ratio of Consolidated Funded Debt to Pro Forma EBITDA for the period consisting of four consecutive fiscal quarters taken as a single accounting period and ending on such day will be less than the amount specified below for such fiscal quarter:

QUARTER(s) ENDING RATIO
----03/31/01 through 09/30/01 5.00 to 1.00

SECTION 10.3. FIXED CHARGE COVERAGE RATIO.

As of the last day of each fiscal quarter of the Borrower, the ratio of (a) EBITDA of the Borrower to (b) the sum of Interest Expense of the Borrower and Maintenance Capital Expenditures of the Borrower, in each case, (x) for the four consecutive fiscal quarters taken as a single accounting period and ending on such day and (y) excluding Interest Expense and Maintenance Capital Expenditures of any Excluded Subsidiary of the Borrower, will not be less than 1.75 to 1.00.

ARTICLE XI EVENTS OF DEFAULT

The term "EVENT OF DEFAULT" means the occurrence of any one or more of the following:

SECTION 11.1. PAYMENT OF OBLIGATIONS.

The Borrower's failure or refusal to pay (a) principal of any Note on or before the date due or (b) any other part of the Obligations (including fees due under the Credit Documents) on or before three Business Days after the date due.

SECTION 11.2. COVENANTS.

Any Company's failure or refusal to punctually and properly perform, observe and comply with any covenant (other than covenants to pay the Obligations) applicable to it:

- (a) In Article 9 or 10; or
- (b) In Section 8.1, and such failure or refusal continues for ten days after the earlier of (i) any Company's obtaining knowledge of such failure or refusal and (ii) any Company's being notified of such failure or refusal by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender; or
- (c) In any other provision of any Credit Document, and that failure or refusal continues for 30 days after the earlier of (i) any Company's obtaining knowledge of such failure or refusal and (ii) any Company's being notified of such failure or refusal by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender.

SECTION 11.3. DEBTOR RELIEF.

The Borrower or any Significant Subsidiary (a) is not Solvent, (b) fails to pay its Debts generally as they become due, (c) voluntarily seeks, consents to or acquiesces in the benefit of any Debtor Law, or (d) becomes a party to or is made the subject of any proceeding (except as a creditor or claimant) provided for by any Debtor Law (unless, if the proceeding is involuntary, the applicable petition is dismissed within 60 days after its filing).

SECTION 11.4. JUDGMENTS AND ATTACHMENTS.

Where the amounts in controversy or of any judgments, as the case may be, exceed (from and after the date hereof and individually or collectively) \$25,000,000 for the Borrower or TE Products or \$1,000,000 for any other Company, and such Person fails (a) to have discharged, within 60 days after its commencement, any attachment, sequestration or similar proceeding against any of its assets or (b) to pay any money judgment against it within ten days before the date on which any of its assets may be lawfully sold to satisfy that judgment.

SECTION 11.5. GOVERNMENT ACTION.

Either (a) a final non-appealable order is issued by any Governmental Authority (including the United States Justice Department) seeking to cause any Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to divest a significant portion of its assets under any antitrust, restraint of trade, unfair competition, industry or similar Legal Requirements, or (b) any Governmental Authority condemns, seizes or otherwise appropriates or takes custody or control of all or any substantial portion of any Company's (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) assets and, in either case, such event constitutes a Material Adverse Event.

SECTION 11.6. MISREPRESENTATION.

Any representation or warranty made by any Company in any Credit Document at any time proves to have been materially incorrect when made.

SECTION 11.7. CHANGE OF CONTROL.

Any one or more of the following occurs or exists: (a) the Borrower ceases to own at least 98.9899% of the limited partner interests in TE Products or TCTM; or (b) Texas Eastern or any other Subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation or Duke Energy Field Services Corporation ceases to be the sole general partner of the Borrower, TCTM or TE Products.

SECTION 11.8. OTHER DEBT.

In respect of the Senior Notes or any other Debt owed by any Company (other than the Obligations) individually or collectively of at least \$10,000,000 (a) any Company fails to make any payment when due (inclusive of any grace, extension, forbearance or similar period), or (b) any default or other event or condition occurs or exists beyond the applicable grace or cure period, the effect of which is to cause or to permit any holder of that Debt to cause (whether or not it elects to cause) any of that Debt to become due before its stated maturity or regularly

scheduled payment dates, or (c) any of that Debt is declared to be due and payable or required to be prepaid by any Company before its stated maturity.

SECTION 11.9. FINA/BASE CONTRACTS.

Any default or other condition or event shall occur and be continuing under any FINA/BASF Contract that constitutes a Material Adverse Event.

SECTION 11.10. VALIDITY AND ENFORCEABILITY.

Once executed, this Agreement, any Note or Guaranty ceases to be in full force and effect in any material respect or is declared to be null and void or its validity or enforceability is contested in writing by any Company party to it or any Company party to it denies in writing that it has any further liability or obligations under it except in accordance with that document's express provisions or as the appropriate parties under Section 14.8 below may otherwise agree in writing.

SECTION 11.11. SENIOR DEBT RATING.

The Borrower fails to obtain a senior unsecured non-credit enhanced long-term debt rating from either S&P or Moody's by September 30, 2001.

SECTION 11.12. HEDGING AGREEMENTS.

In respect of any obligation under any Hedging Agreement entered into by any Company individually or collectively of at least \$10,000,000 (a) any Company fails to make any payment when due (inclusive of any grace, extension, forbearance or similar period), the effect of which is to cause (whether or not it elects to cause) any of the obligations under such Hedging Agreement to become due before its stated payment date, or (b) any default or other event or condition occurs or exists beyond the applicable grace or cure period, the effect of which is to cause (whether or not it elects to cause) any of the obligations under such Hedging Agreement to become due before its stated payment date or (c) any such obligation is declared to be due and payable or required to be prepaid by any Company before its stated payment date.

ARTICLE XII RIGHTS AND REMEDIES

SECTION 12.1. REMEDIES UPON EVENT OF DEFAULT.

- (a) DEBTOR RELIEF. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default under Section 11.3, the Commitments and the obligation of the LC Issuing Bank to issue Letters of Credit shall automatically terminate, and the entire outstanding principal amount of the Borrowings and all other accrued and unpaid portions of the Obligations shall automatically become due and payable without any action of any kind whatsoever.
- (b) OTHER EVENTS OF DEFAULT. If any Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, subject to the terms of Section 13.5(b), the Administrative Agent shall at the request, or may with the consent, of the Required Lenders, upon notice to the Borrower, do any one or more of

the following: (i) If the maturity of the Obligations has not already been accelerated under Section 12.1(a), declare the outstanding principal amount of the Borrowings and all other accrued and unpaid portion of the Obligations immediately due and payable, whereupon they shall be due and payable; (ii) terminate the Commitments and the obligation of the LC Issuing Bank to issue Letters of Credit; (iii) reduce any claim to judgment and (iv) exercise any and all other legal or equitable Rights afforded by the Credit Documents, by applicable Legal Requirements, or in equity.

- (c) CASH COLLATERAL ACCOUNT. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, no notice given or declaration made by the Administrative ${\sf C}$ Agent pursuant to this Article XII shall affect (i) the obligation of the LC Issuing Bank to make any payment under any Letter of Credit in accordance with the terms of such Letter of Credit or (ii) the obligations of each Lender in respect of each such Letter of Credit; provided, however, that if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Administrative Agent shall at the request, or may with the consent, of the Required Lenders, upon notice to the Borrower, require the Borrower to deposit with the Administrative Agent an amount in the cash collateral account (the "CASH COLLATERAL ACCOUNT") described below equal to the LC Outstandings on such date. Such Cash Collateral Account shall at all times be free and clear of all rights or claims of third parties The Cash Collateral Account shall be maintained with the Administrative Agent in the name of, and under the sole dominion and control of, the Administrative Agent, and amounts deposited in the Cash Collateral Account shall bear interest at a rate equal to the rate generally offered by SunTrust for deposits equal to the amount deposited by the Borrower in the Cash Collateral Account, for a term to be determined by the Administrative Agent, in its sole discretion. The Borrower hereby grants to the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the LC Issuing Bank and the Lenders a Lien in and hereby assigns to the Administrative Agent for the benefit of LC Issuing Bank and the Lenders all of its right, title and interest in, the Cash Collateral Account and all funds from time to time on deposit therein to secure its reimbursement obligations in respect of Letters of Credit. If any drawings then outstanding or thereafter made are not reimbursed in full immediately upon demand or, in the case of subsequent drawings, upon being made, then, in any such event, the Administrative Agent may apply the amounts then on deposit in the Cash Collateral Account, in such priority as specified in Section 3.11, toward the payment in full of any of the Obligations as and when such obligations shall become due and payable. Upon payment in full, after the termination of the Letters of Credit, of all such obligations, the Administrative Agent will repay and reassign to the Borrower any cash then in the Cash Collateral Account and the Lien of the Administrative Agent on the Cash Collateral Account and the funds therein shall automatically terminate.
- (d) In addition, if at any time the Borrower is required to make a prepayment under Section 3.2(c), no Borrowings are outstanding, the Borrower shall deposit in the Cash Collateral Account an amount equal to the LC Outstandings on such date. If, at any time no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and the cash on deposit in the Cash Collateral Account shall exceed the LC Outstandings, then the Administrative Agent will repay and reassign to the Borrower cash in an amount equal to such excess, and the Lien of the Administrative Agent on such cash shall automatically terminate.
- (e) OFFSET. If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, to the extent lawful, upon notice to the Borrower, each Lender may exercise the Rights of offset and banker's lien

against each and every account and other property, or any interest therein, which the Borrower may now or hereafter have with, or which is now or hereafter in the possession of, such Lender to the extent of the full amount of the Obligations then matured and owed to that Lender.

SECTION 12.2. COMPANY WAIVERS.

To the extent lawful, the Borrower waives all other presentment and demand for payment, protest, notice of intention to accelerate, notice of acceleration and notice of protest and nonpayment and agrees that its liability with respect to all or any part of the Obligations is not affected by any renewal or extension in the time of payment of all or any part of the Obligations, by any indulgence, or by any release or change in any security for the payment of all or any part of the Obligations.

SECTION 12.3. NOT IN CONTROL.

Nothing in any Credit Documents gives or may be deemed to give to the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender the Right to exercise control over any Company's Real Property, other assets, affairs or management or to preclude or interfere with any Company's compliance with any Legal Requirement or require any act or omission by any Company that may be harmful to Persons or property. Any "Material Adverse Event" or other materiality or substantiality qualifier of any representation, warranty, covenant, agreement or other provision of any Credit Document is included for credit documentation purposes only and does not imply or be deemed to mean that the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender acquiesces in any non-compliance by any Company with any Legal Requirement, document, or otherwise or does not expect the Companies to promptly, diligently and continuously carry out all appropriate removal, remediation, compliance, closure or other activities required or appropriate in accordance with all Environmental Laws. The Administrative Agent's, the LC Issuing Bank's and the Lenders' power is limited to the Rights provided in the Credit Documents. All of those Rights exist solely (and may be exercised in manner calculated by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or the Lenders in their respective good faith business judgment) to assure payment and performance of the Obligations.

SECTION 12.4. COURSE OF DEALING.

The acceptance by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or the Lenders of any partial payment on the Obligations is not a waiver of any Event of Default then existing. No waiver by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank, the Required Lenders or the Lenders of any Event of Default is a waiver of any other then-existing or subsequent Event of Default. No delay or omission by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank, the Required Lenders or the Lenders in exercising any Right under the Credit Documents impairs that Right or is a waiver thereof or any acquiescence therein, nor will any single or partial exercise of any Right preclude other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other Right under the Credit Documents or otherwise.

SECTION 12.5. CUMULATIVE RIGHTS.

All Rights available to the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank, the Required Lenders and the Lenders under the Credit Documents are cumulative of and in addition to all

other Rights granted to the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank, the Required Lenders and the Lenders at law or in equity, whether or not the Obligations are due and payable and whether or not the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank, the Required Lenders or the Lenders have instituted any suit for collection, foreclosure or other action in connection with the Credit Documents.

SECTION 12.6. APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS.

Any and all proceeds ever received by the Administrative Agent or the Lenders from the exercise of any Rights pertaining to the Obligations shall be applied to the Obligations according to Section 3.11.

SECTION 12.7. EXPENDITURES BY LENDERS.

Any costs and reasonable expenses spent or incurred by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender in the exercise of any Right under any Credit Document shall be payable by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent within ten Business Days after such Person made demand for payment of such amount from Borrower, accompanied by copies of supporting invoices or statements (if any), shall become part of the Obligations and shall bear interest at the Default Rate from the date spent until the date repaid.

SECTION 12.8. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.

Neither the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank nor any Lender shall be liable to any Company for any amounts representing indirect, special or consequential damages suffered by any Company, except where such amounts are based substantially on willful misconduct by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or such Lender, but then only to the extent any damages resulting from such willful misconduct are covered by the Administrative Agent's or that the Lender's fidelity bond or other insurance.

ARTICLE XIII ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND LENDERS

SECTION 13.1. THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT.

(a) APPOINTMENT. Each of the LC Issuing Bank and each Lender appoints the Administrative Agent (including, without limitation, each successor Administrative Agent in accordance with this Section 13.1) as its nominee and agent to act in its name and on its behalf (and the Administrative Agent and each such successor accepts that appointment): (i) To act as its nominee and on its behalf in and under all Credit Documents; (ii) to arrange the means whereby its funds are to be made available to the Borrower under the Credit Documents; (iii) to take any action that it properly requests under the Credit Documents (subject to the concurrence of other Lenders as may be required under the Credit Documents); (iv) to receive all documents and items to be furnished to it under the Credit Documents; (v) to be the secured party, mortgagee, beneficiary, recipient and similar party in respect of the Cash Collateral Account and any other collateral for the benefit of the Lenders and the LC Issuing Bank (at any time an Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing); (vi) to promptly distribute to it

all material information, requests, documents and items received from any Company under the Credit Documents; (vii) to promptly distribute to it its ratable part of each payment or prepayment (whether voluntary, as proceeds of collateral upon or after foreclosure, as proceeds of insurance thereon or otherwise) in accordance with the terms of the Credit Documents; and (viii) to deliver to the appropriate Persons requests, demands, approvals and consents received from it. The Administrative Agent, however, may not be required to take any action that exposes it to personal liability or that is contrary to any Credit Document or applicable Legal Requirement.

(b) SUCCESSOR. The Administrative Agent may, subject (at any time no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing) to the Borrower's prior written consent that may not be unreasonably withheld, assign all of its Rights and obligations as the Administrative Agent under the Credit Documents to any of its Affiliates, which Affiliate shall then be the successor Administrative Agent under the Credit Documents. The Administrative Agent may also, upon 30 days' prior notice to the Borrower, voluntarily resign. If the initial or any successor Administrative Agent ever ceases to be a party to this Agreement or if the initial or any successor Administrative Agent ever resigns, then the Required Lenders shall (which, if no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing, is subject to the Borrower's approval that may not be unreasonably withheld) appoint the successor Administrative Agent from among the Lenders (other than the resigning Administrative Agent). If the Required Lenders fail to appoint a successor Administrative Agent within 30 days after the resigning Administrative Agent has given notice of resignation, then the resigning Administrative Agent may, on behalf of the Lenders, upon 30 days prior notice to the Borrower, appoint a successor Administrative Agent, subject (at any time no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing) to the Borrower's prior written consent that may not be unreasonably withheld, which must be a commercial bank having a combined capital and surplus of at least \$1,000,000,000 (as shown on its most recently published statement of condition). Upon its acceptance of appointment as successor Administrative Agent, the successor Administrative Agent shall succeed to and become vested with all of the Rights of the prior Administrative Agent, and the prior Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations as Administrative Agent under the Credit Documents, and each Lender shall execute the documents that any Lender, the resigning Administrative Agent or the successor Administrative Agent reasonably requests to reflect the change. After any Administrative Agent's resignation as the Administrative Agent under the Credit Documents, the provisions of this section inure to its benefit as to any actions taken or not taken by it while it was the Administrative Agent under the Credit Documents.

(c) RIGHTS AS LENDER. The Administrative Agent, in its capacity as a Lender, has the same Rights under the Credit Documents as any other Lender and may exercise those Rights as if it were not acting as the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent's resignation or removal does not impair or otherwise affect any Rights that it has or may have in its capacity as an individual Lender. Each Lender, the LC Issuing Bank and the Borrower agree that the Administrative Agent is not a fiduciary for the Lenders, the LC Issuing Bank or the Borrower but is simply acting in the capacity described in this Agreement to alleviate administrative burdens for the Borrower, the LC Issuing Bank and the Lenders, that the Administrative Agent has no duties or responsibilities to the Lenders, the LC Issuing Bank or the Borrower except those

expressly set forth in the Credit Documents, and that the Administrative Agent in its capacity as a Lender has the same Rights as any other Lender.

(d) OTHER ACTIVITIES. The Administrative Agent or any Lender may now or in the future be engaged in one or more loan, letter of credit, leasing or other financing transactions with the Borrower, act as trustee or depositary for the Borrower or otherwise be engaged in other transactions with the Borrower (collectively, the "other activities") not the subject of the Credit Documents. Without limiting the Rights of the Lenders or the LC Issuing Bank specifically set forth in the Credit Documents, neither the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank nor any Lender is responsible to account to the other Lenders or the LC Issuing Bank for those other activities, and neither any Lender nor the LC Issuing Bank shall have any interest in any other Lender's or the LC Issuing Bank's activities, any present or future guaranties by or for the account of the Borrower that are not contemplated by or included in the Credit Documents, any present or future offset exercised by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender in respect of those other activities, any present or future property taken as security for any of those other activities or any property now or hereafter in the Administrative Agent's or any other Lender's possession or control that may be or become security for the obligations of the Borrower arising under the Credit Documents by reason of the general description of indebtedness secured or of property contained in any other agreements, documents or instruments related to any of those other activities (but, if any payments in respect of those guaranties or that property or the proceeds thereof is applied by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender to reduce the Obligations, then each of the LC Issuing Bank and each Lender is entitled to share in the application as provided in the Credit Documents).

SECTION 13.2. EXPENSES.

Each Lender shall pay its Commitment Percentage of any reasonable expenses (including court costs, reasonable attorneys' fees and other costs of collection) incurred by the Administrative Agent or in connection with any of the Credit Documents if the Administrative Agent is not reimbursed from other sources within 30 days after incurrence. Each Lender is entitled to receive its Commitment Percentage of any reimbursement that it makes to the Administrative Agent if the Administrative Agent is subsequently reimbursed from other sources.

SECTION 13.3. PROPORTIONATE ABSORPTION OF LOSSES.

Except as otherwise provided in the Credit Documents, nothing in the Credit Documents gives any Lender any advantage over any other Lender insofar as the Obligations are concerned or relieves any Lender from ratably absorbing any losses sustained with respect to the Obligations (except to the extent unilateral actions or inactions by any Lender result in the Borrower or any other obligor on the Obligations having any credit, allowance, setoff, defense or counterclaim solely with respect to all or any part of that Lender's part of the Obligations).

SECTION 13.4. DELEGATION OF DUTIES; RELIANCE.

The Lenders may perform any of their duties or exercise any of their Rights under the Credit Documents by or through the Administrative Agent, and the Lenders, the LC Issuing

Bank and the Administrative Agent may perform any of their duties or exercise any of their Rights under the Credit Documents by or through their respective Representatives. The Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank, the Lenders and their respective Representatives (a) are entitled to rely upon (and shall be protected in relying upon) any written or oral statement believed by it or them to be genuine and correct and to have been signed or made by the proper Person and, with respect to legal matters, upon opinion of counsel selected by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or that Lender (but nothing in this clause (a) permits the Administrative Agent to rely on (i) oral statements if a writing is required by this Agreement or (ii) any other writing if a specific writing is required by this Agreement), (b) are entitled to deem and treat each Lender as the owner and holder of its portion of the Obligations for all purposes until written notice of the assignment or transfer is given to and received by the Administrative Agent (and any request, authorization, consent or approval of any Lender is conclusive and binding on each subsequent holder, assignee or transferee of or Participant in that Lender's portion of the Obligations until that notice is given and received), (c) are not deemed to have notice of the occurrence of an Event of Default unless a responsible officer of the Administrative Agent, who handles matters associated with the Credit Documents and transactions thereunder, has actual knowledge or the Administrative Agent has been notified by a Lender, the LC Issuing Bank or the Borrower, and (d) are entitled to consult with legal counsel (including counsel for the Borrower), independent accountants, and other experts selected by the Administrative Agent and are not liable for any action taken or not taken in good faith by it in accordance with the advice of counsel, accountants or experts.

SECTION 13.5. LIMITATION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT'S LIABILITY.

- (a) EXCULPATION. Neither the Administrative Agent nor any of its Affiliates or Representatives will be liable to the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender for any action taken or omitted to be taken by it or them under the Credit Documents in good faith and believed by it to be within the discretion or power conferred upon it or them by the Credit Documents or be responsible for the consequences of any error of judgment (except for gross negligence or willful misconduct), and neither the Administrative Agent nor any of its Affiliates or Representatives has a fiduciary relationship with any Lender or the LC Issuing Bank by virtue of the Credit Documents (but nothing in this Agreement negates the obligation of the Administrative Agent to account for funds received by it for the account of any Lender).
- (b) INDEMNITY. Unless indemnified to its satisfaction against loss, cost, liability and expense, the Administrative Agent may not be compelled to do any act under the Credit Documents or to take any action toward the execution or enforcement of the powers thereby created or to prosecute or defend any suit in respect of the Credit Documents. If the Administrative Agent requests instructions from the Lenders, the LC Issuing Bank or the Required Lenders, as the case may be, with respect to any act or action in connection with any Credit Document, the Administrative Agent is entitled to refrain (without incurring any liability to any Person by so refraining) from that act or action unless and until it has received instructions. In no event, however, may the Administrative Agent or any of its Representatives be required to take any action that it or they determine could incur for it or them criminal or onerous civil liability. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, neither the LC Issuing Bank nor any Lender has any right of action against the Administrative Agent as a result of the

Administrative Agent's acting or refraining from acting under this Agreement in accordance with instructions of the Required Lenders.

(c) RELIANCE. The Administrative Agent is not responsible to the ${\tt LC}$ Issuing Bank or any Lender or any Participant for, and each of the LC Issuing Bank and each Lender represents and warrants that it has not relied upon the Administrative Agent in respect of, (i) the creditworthiness of any Company and the risks involved to the LC Issuing Bank or such Lender, as the case may be, (ii) the effectiveness, enforceability, genuineness, validity or the due execution of any Credit Document, (iii) any representation, warranty, document, certificate, report or statement made therein or furnished thereunder or in connection therewith, (iv) the adequacy of any collateral now or hereafter securing the Obligations or the existence, priority or perfection of any Lien now or hereafter granted or purported to be granted on the collateral under any Credit Document, or (v) observation of or compliance with any of the terms, covenants or conditions of any Credit Document on the part of the General Partner or any Company. EACH LENDER AGREES TO INDEMNIFY THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES AND HOLD THEM HARMLESS FROM AND AGAINST (BUT LIMITED TO SUCH LENDER'S COMMITMENT PERCENTAGE OF) ANY AND ALL LIABILITIES, OBLIGATIONS, LOSSES, DAMAGES, PENALTIES, ACTIONS, JUDGMENTS, SUITS, COSTS, REASONABLE EXPENSES AND REASONABLE DISBURSEMENTS OF ANY KIND OR NATURE WHATSOEVER THAT MAY BE IMPOSED ON, ASSERTED AGAINST OR INCURRED BY THEM IN ANY WAY RELATING TO OR ARISING OUT OF THE CREDIT DOCUMENTS OR ANY ACTION TAKEN OR OMITTED BY THEM UNDER THE CREDIT DOCUMENTS IF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES ARE NOT REIMBURSED FOR SUCH AMOUNTS BY ANY COMPANY. ALTHOUGH THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE INDEMNIFIED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT BY THE LENDERS FOR ITS OR THEIR OWN ORDINARY NEGLIGENCE, THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES DO NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE INDEMNIFIED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT FOR ITS OR THEIR OWN GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT.

SECTION 13.6. EVENT OF DEFAULT.

If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Lenders agree to promptly confer in order that the Required Lenders or the Lenders, as the case may be, may agree upon a course of action for the enforcement of the Rights of the Lenders. The Administrative Agent is entitled to act or refrain from taking any action (without incurring any liability to any Person for so acting or refraining) unless and until it has received instructions from the Required Lenders. In actions with respect to any Company's property, the Administrative Agent is acting for the ratable benefit of each Lender.

SECTION 13.7. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.

No Lender or any Participant will incur any liability to any other Lender or Participant except for acts or omissions in bad faith, and neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender or

Participant will incur any liability to any other Person for any act or omission of any other Lender or any Participant.

SECTION 13.8. OTHER AGENTS.

SunTrust Equitable Securities Corporation is named on the cover page as "Sole Lead Arranger" but does not, in such capacity, and nor do the entities listed as "Co-Syndication Agents" or "Co-Documentation Agents", assume any responsibility or obligation under this Agreement for syndication, documentation, servicing, enforcement or collection of any part of the Obligations, nor any other duties, as agent for the LC Issuing Bank or the Lenders.

SECTION 13.9. RELATIONSHIP OF LENDERS.

The Credit Documents do not create a partnership or joint venture among the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank and the Lenders or among the Lenders.

SECTION 13.10. BENEFITS OF AGREEMENT.

None of the provisions of this Article XIII inure to the benefit of any Company or any other Person except the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank and the Lenders. Therefore, no Company or any other Person is responsible or liable for, entitled to rely upon or entitled to raise as a defense, in any manner whatsoever, the failure of the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender to comply with these provisions.

ARTICLE XIV

SECTION 14.1. NONBUSINESS DAYS.

Any payment or action that is due under any Credit Document on a non-Business Day may be delayed until the next succeeding Business Day (but interest accrues on any payment until it is made). If, however, the payment concerns a LIBOR Rate Borrowing and if the next succeeding Business Day is in the next calendar month, then that payment must be made on the next preceding Business Day.

SECTION 14.2. COMMUNICATIONS.

Unless otherwise specified, any communication from one party to another under any Credit Document must be in writing (which may be by fax) to be effective and will be deemed to have been given (a) if by fax, when transmitted to the appropriate fax number (which, without affecting the date when deemed given, must be promptly confirmed by telephone) or (b) if by any other means, when actually delivered; provided, further, that any such communication to a Company from any Person that is not a Company shall be deemed made to that Company only if it is sent to the Borrower or, if other than the Borrower, to such Company in care of the Borrower. Until changed by notice under this Agreement, the address, fax number and telephone number for the Borrower, the LC Issuing Bank and the Administrative Agent are stated beside their respective signatures to this Agreement and for each Lender are stated beside its name on Schedule 2.

SECTION 14.3. FORM AND NUMBER.

The form, substance and number of counterparts of each writing to be furnished under this Agreement must be satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower.

SECTION 14.4. EXCEPTIONS.

An exception to any Credit Document covenant or agreement does not permit violation of any other Credit Document covenant or agreement.

SECTION 14.5. SURVIVAL.

All Credit Document provisions survive all closings and are not affected by any investigation by any party.

SECTION 14.6. GOVERNING LAW.

Unless otherwise specified, each Credit Document shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York and the United States of America.

SECTION 14.7. INVALID PROVISIONS.

If any provision of a Credit Document is judicially determined to be unenforceable, then all other provisions of it remain enforceable. If the provision determined to be unenforceable is a material part of that Credit Document, then, to the extent lawful, it shall be replaced by a judicially-construed provision that is enforceable but otherwise as similar in substance and content to the original provision as the context of it reasonably allows.

SECTION 14.8. AMENDMENTS, SUPPLEMENTS, WAIVERS, CONSENTS AND CONFLICTS.

(a) ALL LENDERS. Any amendment or supplement to, or waiver or consent under, any Credit Document that purports to accomplish any of the following must be by a writing executed by the Borrower and executed (or approved in writing, as the case may be) by all the Lenders: (i) extends the due date for, decreases the amount or rate of calculation of or waives the late or non-payment of, any scheduled payment or mandatory prepayment of principal or interest of any of the Obligations or any fees payable ratably to the Lenders under the Credit Documents, except, in each case, any adjustments or reductions that are contemplated by any Credit Document; (ii) changes the definition of "Commitment", "Commitment Percentage", "Default Percentage" or "Required Lenders", (iii) increases any part of any Lender's Commitment; (iv) fully or partially releases or amends any Guaranty or cash collateral delivered pursuant to Section 12.1(c), except, in each case, as expressly provided by any Credit Document or as a result of a merger, consolidation or dissolution expressly permitted in the Credit Documents; (v) consents to any assignment by the Borrower under Section 14.10(a); or (vi) changes this clause (a) or any other matter specifically requiring the consent of all the Lenders under any Credit Document.

- (b) THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT. Any amendment or supplement to, or waiver or consent under, any Credit Document that purports to accomplish any of the following must be by a writing executed by the Borrower and executed (or approved in writing, as the case may be) by the Administrative Agent: (i) extends the due date for, decreases the amount or rate of calculation of, or waives the late or non-payment of, any fees payable to the Administrative Agent under any Credit Document, except, in each case, any adjustments or reductions that are contemplated by any Credit Document; (ii) increases the Administrative Agent's obligations beyond its agreements under any Credit Document; or (iii) changes this clause (b) or any other matter specifically requiring the consent of the Administrative Agent under any Credit Document.
- (c) THE LC ISSUING BANK. Any amendment or supplement to, or waiver or consent under, any Credit Document that purports to accomplish any of the following must be in writing executed by the Borrower and executed (or approved in writing, as the case may be) by the LC Issuing Bank: (i) extends the due date for, decreases the amount or rate of calculation of, or waives the late or non-payment of, any reimbursement obligation or fees payable to the LC Issuing Bank under or in connection with any Credit Document, except, in each case, any adjustments or reductions that are contemplated by any Credit Document; (ii) increases the LC Issuing Bank's obligations beyond its agreements under any Credit Document; or (iii) changes this clause (c) or any other matter specifically requiring the consent of the LC Issuing Bank under any Credit Document
- (d) THE REQUIRED LENDERS. Except as specified above (i) the provisions of this Agreement may be amended and supplemented, and waivers and consents under it may be given, in writing executed by the Borrower, the Required Lenders and the Administrative Agent, if applicable, and otherwise supplemented only by documents delivered in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement, and (ii) each other Credit Document may only be amended and supplemented, and waivers and consents under it may be given, in a writing executed by the parties to that Credit Document that is also executed or approved by the Required Lenders and the Administrative Agent, if applicable, and otherwise supplemented only by documents delivered in accordance with the express terms of that other Credit Document.
- (e) WAIVERS. No course of dealing or any failure or delay by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank, any Lender or any of their respective Representatives with respect to exercising any Right of the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender under any Credit Document operates as a waiver of that Right. A waiver must be in writing and signed by the parties otherwise required by this Section 14.8 to be effective and will be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose for which it is given.
- (f) CONFLICTS. Although this Agreement and other Credit Documents may contain additional and different terms and provisions, any conflict or ambiguity between the express terms and provisions of this Agreement and express terms and provisions in any other Credit Document is controlled by the express terms and provisions of this Agreement.

SECTION 14.9. COUNTERPARTS.

Any Credit Document may be executed in a number of identical counterparts (including, at the Administrative Agent's discretion, counterparts or signature pages executed and transmitted by fax) with the same effect as if all signatories had signed the same document. All counterparts must be construed together to constitute one and the same instrument. Certain parties to this Agreement may execute multiple signature pages to this Agreement as well as one or more complete counterparts of it, and the Borrower, the LC Issuing Bank and the Administrative Agent are authorized to execute, where applicable, those separate signature pages and insert them, along with signature pages of other parties to this Agreement, into one or more complete counterparts of this Agreement that contain signatures of all parties to it.

SECTION 14.10. PARTIES.

- (a) PARTIES AND BENEFICIARIES. Each Credit Document binds and inures to the parties to it and each of their respective successors and permitted assigns. Only those Persons may rely upon or raise any defense about this Agreement. No Company may assign or transfer any Rights or obligations under any Credit Document without first obtaining the consent of all the Lenders and the LC Issuing Bank, and any purported assignment or transfer without the consent of all the Lenders and the LC Issuing Bank is void.
- (b) RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES. The relationship between (x) each of the LC Issuing Bank and each Lender and (y) each Company is that of creditor/secured party and obligor, respectively. Financial covenant and reporting provisions in the Credit Documents are intended solely for the benefit of each of the LC Issuing Bank and each Lender to protect its interest as a creditor/secured party. Nothing in the Credit Documents may be construed as (i) permitting or obligating the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender to act as a financial or business advisor or consultant to any Company, (ii) permitting or obligating the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender to control any Company or conduct its operations, (iii) creating any fiduciary obligation of the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender to any Company, or (iv) creating any joint venture, agency or other relationship between the parties except as expressly specified in the Credit Documents.
- (c) PARTICIPATIONS. Any Lender may (subject to the provisions of this section, in accordance with applicable Legal Requirement, in the ordinary course of its business, at any time, and with notice to the Borrower) sell to one or more Persons (each a "PARTICIPANT") participating interests in its portion of the Obligations so long as the minimum amount of such participating interest is \$5,000,000. The selling Lender remains a "Lender" under the Credit Documents, the Participant does not become a "Lender" under the Credit Documents, and the selling Lender's obligations under the Credit Documents remain unchanged. The selling Lender remains solely responsible for the performance of its obligations and remains the holder of its share of the Borrowings for all purposes under the Credit Documents. The Borrower, the LC Issuing Bank and the Administrative Agent shall continue to deal solely and directly with the selling Lender in connection with that Lender's Rights and obligations under the Credit Documents, and each Lender must retain the sole right and responsibility to enforce due obligations of the Companies. Participants have no Rights under the Credit Documents except as provided in the except clause of the last sentence of this Section 14.10(c). Subject to the following, each Lender may obtain (on behalf of its Participants) the benefits of Article 3 with

respect to all participations in its part of the Obligations outstanding from time to time so long as the Borrower is not obligated to pay any amount in excess of the amount that would be due to that Lender under Article 3 calculated as though no participations have been made. No Lender may sell any participating interest under which the Participant has any Rights to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any Credit Document except as to matters in Section 14.8(a)(i) and (ii).

(d) ASSIGNMENTS. Each Lender may make assignments to any Federal Reserve Bank, provided that any related costs, fees and expenses incurred by such Lender in connection with such assignment or the re-assignment back to it free of any interests of the Federal Reserve Bank, shall be for the sole account of Lender. Each Lender may also assign to one or more assignees (each an "ASSIGNEE") all or any part of its Rights and obligations under the Credit Documents so long as (i) the assignor Lender and Assignee execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank and the Borrower for their consent and acceptance (that may not be unreasonably withheld in any instance and is not required by the Borrower if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing) an assignment and assumption agreement in substantially the form of Exhibit E (an "ASSIGNMENT") and pay to the Administrative Agent a processing fee of \$1,000 (which payment obligation is the sole liability, joint and several, of that Lender and Assignee), (ii) the assignment must be for a minimum total Commitment of \$5,000,000, and, if the assignor Lender retains any Commitment, it must be a minimum total Commitment of \$10,000,000, and (iii) the conditions for that assignment set forth in the applicable Assignment are satisfied. The Effective Date in each Assignment must (unless a shorter period is agreed to by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent) be at least five Business Days after it is executed and delivered by the assignor Lender and the Assignee to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower for acceptance. Once such Assignment is accepted by the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank and the Borrower, and subject to all of the following occurring, then, on and after the Effective Date stated in it (A) the Assignee automatically shall become a party to this Agreement and, to the extent provided in that Assignment, shall have the Rights and obligations of a Lender under the Credit Documents, (B) in the case of an Assignment covering all of the remaining portion of the assignor Lender's Rights and obligations under the Credit Documents, the assignor Lender shall cease to be a party to the Credit Documents, (C) the Borrower shall execute and deliver to the assignor Lender and the Assignee the appropriate Notes in accordance with to the assignor Lender and the Assignee the appropriate Notes in accordance with this Agreement following the transfer, (D) upon delivery of the Notes under clause (C) the assignor Lender shall return to the Borrower all Notes previously delivered to that Lender under this Agreement, and (E) Schedule 2 shall be automatically amended to reflect the name, address, telecopy number and Commitment of the Assignee and the remaining Commitment (if any) of the assignor Lender, and the Administrative Agent shall prepare and circulate to the Borrower, the LC Issuing Bank and the Lenders an amended Schedule 2 reflecting those changes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Assignee may be recognized as a party to the Credit Documents (and the assignor Lender shall continue to be treated for all purposes as the party to the Credit Documents) with respect to the Rights and obligations assigned to that Assignee until the actions described in clauses (C) and (D) have occurred. The Obligation is registered on the books of the Borrower as to both principal and any stated interest, and transfers of may be made only in accordance with this Section.

SECTION 14.11. VENUE, SERVICE OF PROCESS AND JURY TRIAL.

THE BORROWER IN EACH CASE FOR ITSELF AND ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, IRREVOCABLY (A) SUBMITS TO THE NONEXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE AND FEDERAL COURTS IN NEW YORK, (B) WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT LAWFUL, ANY OBJECTION THAT IT MAY NOW OR IN THE FUTURE HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY LITIGATION ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH ANY CREDIT DOCUMENT AND THE OBLIGATIONS BROUGHT IN ANY STATE COURT IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OR IN ANY UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK, (C) WAIVES ANY CLAIMS THAT ANY LITIGATION BROUGHT IN ANY OF THE FOREGOING COURTS HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN AN INCONVENIENT FORUM, (D) CONSENTS TO THE SERVICE OF PROCESS OUT OF ANY OF THOSE COURTS IN ANY LITIGATION BY THE MAILING OF COPIES OF THAT PROCESS BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, POSTAGE PREPAID, BY HAND DELIVERY OR BY DELIVERY BY A NATIONALLY-RECOGNIZED COURIER SERVICE, AND SERVICE SHALL BE DEEMED COMPLETE UPON DELIVERY OF THE LEGAL PROCESS AT ITS ADDRESS FOR PURPOSES OF THIS AGREEMENT, (E) AGREES THAT ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING AGAINST ANY PARTY TO ANY CREDIT DOCUMENT ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE CREDIT DOCUMENTS OR THE OBLIGATIONS MAY BE BROUGHT IN ONE OF THE FOREGOING COURTS, AND (F) IRREVOCABLY WAIVES TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW ITS RESPECTIVE RIGHTS TO A JURY TRIAL OF ANY CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION BASED UPON OR ARISING OUT OF ANY CREDIT DOCUMENT. The scope of each of the foregoing waivers is intended to be all encompassing of any and all disputes that may be filed in any court and that relate to the subject matter of this transaction, including, without limitation, contract claims, tort claims, breach of duty claims and all other common law and statutory claims. THE BORROWER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THESE WAIVERS ARE A MATERIAL INDUCEMENT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT'S, THE LC ISSUING BANK'S AND EACH LENDER'S AGREEMENT TO ENTER INTO A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP, THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND EACH LENDER HAS ALREADY RELIED ON THESE WAIVERS IN ENTERING INTO THIS AGREEMENT, AND THAT ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, THE LC ISSUING BANK AND EACH LENDER WILL CONTINUE TO RELY ON EACH OF THESE WAIVERS IN RELATED FUTURE DEALINGS. THE BORROWER FURTHER WARRANTS AND REPRESENTS THAT IT HAS REVIEWED THESE WAIVERS WITH ITS LEGAL COUNSEL, AND THAT IT KNOWINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY AGREES TO EACH WAIVER FOLLOWING CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL. The waivers in this section are irrevocable, meaning that they may not be modified either orally or in writing, and these waivers apply to any future renewals, extensions, amendments, modifications or replacements in respect of the applicable Credit Document. In connection with any Litigation, this Agreement may be filed as a written consent to a trial by the court.

SECTION 14.12. NON-RECOURSE TO THE GENERAL PARTNER.

Neither the General Partner nor any director, officer, employee, stockholder, member, manager or agent of the General Partner shall have any liability for any obligations of the Borrower or any other Company under this Agreement or any other Credit Document or for any claim based on, in respect of or by reason of, such obligations or their creation, including any liability based upon or arising by operation of law as a result of, the status or capacity of the General Partner as the "general partner" of the Borrower or any other Company. By executing this Agreement, the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank and each Lender expressly waives and releases all such liability.

SECTION 14.13. CONFIDENTIALITY.

The Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank and each Lender agrees (on behalf of itself and each of its Affiliates, and its and each of their respective Representatives) to keep and maintain any non-public information supplied to it by or on behalf of any Company which is identified as being confidential and shall not use any such information for any purpose other than in connection with the administration or enforcement of this transaction. However, nothing herein shall limit the disclosure of any such information (a) to the extent required by Legal Requirement, (b) to counsel of the Administrative Agent, the LC Issuing Bank or any Lender in connection with the transactions provided for in this Agreement, (c) to bank examiners, auditors and accountants, or (d) any Assignee or Participant (or prospective Assignee or Participant) so long as such Assignee or Participant (or prospective Assignee or Participant) first enters into a confidentiality agreement with the Administrative Agent or such Lender.

SECTION 14.14. ENTIRETY.

THE CREDIT DOCUMENTS REPRESENT THE FINAL AGREEMENT AMONG THE BORROWER, THE LENDERS, THE LC ISSUING BANK AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT WITH RESPECT TO SUBJECT MATTER SET FORTH THEREIN AND MAY NOT BE CONTRADICTED BY EVIDENCE OF PRIOR, CONTEMPORANEOUS OR SUBSEQUENT ORAL AGREEMENTS OF THE PARTIES. THERE ARE NO UNWRITTEN ORAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

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CREDIT AGREEMENT

AMONG

TEPPCO PARTNERS, L.P. AS BORROWER,

SUNTRUST BANK, AS ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT

AND

CERTAIN LENDERS, AS LENDERS

DATED AS OF APRIL 6, 2001

\$200,000,000 REVOLVING FACILITY

SUNTRUST EQUITABLE SECURITIES CORPORATION, AS SOLE LEAD ARRANGER

UBS WARBURG, LLC AND FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK, AS CO-SYNDICATION AGENTS

BANK ONE, NA AND MIZUHO FINANCIAL GROUP, AS CO-DOCUMENTATION AGENTS

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CREDIT AGREEMENT

THIS CREDIT AGREEMENT (this "AGREEMENT") is entered into as of April 6, 2001, among TEPPCO PARTNERS, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (the "BORROWER"), the Lenders (defined below) and SUNTRUST BANK ("SUNTRUST"), as the Administrative Agent for the Lenders.

The Borrower has requested that the Lenders extend to the Borrower a revolving credit facility not to exceed at any one time outstanding \$200,000,000 (as that amount may be reduced or canceled pursuant to this Agreement) to be used by the Borrower as provided in Section 7.1. The Lenders are willing to extend the requested loans on the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

ACCORDINGLY, for adequate and sufficient consideration, the Borrower, the Lenders and the Administrative Agent agree as follows:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS AND TERMS

SECTION 1.1. DEFINITIONS.

As used in the Credit Documents:

"ACQUISITION" by any Person means any transaction or series of transactions on or after the date hereof pursuant to which that Person directly or indirectly, whether in the form of a capital expenditure, an Investment, a merger, a consolidation or otherwise and whether through a solicitation of tender of Equity Interests, one or more negotiated block, market, private or other transactions, or any combination of the foregoing, purchases (a) all or substantially all of the business or assets of any other Person or operating division or business unit of any other Person, or (b) more than 25% of the Equity Interests in any other Person.

"ADDITIONAL DEBT" means Funded Debt issued or incurred by any Company after the date hereof, other than Funded Debt under this Agreement and Funded Debt (a) that is Permitted Non-Recourse Debt of any Person used for the purposes described in clause (i) of the definition of "Permitted Non-Recourse Debt" or (b) the proceeds of which are used to refinance the Senior Notes, provided that the principal amount of the refinancing shall not exceed the sum of (i) the principal amount of, and accrued interest on, the Senior Notes so refinanced and (ii) reasonable fees and expenses and the premium, if any, incurred in connection with any such refinancing.

"ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT" means, at any time, SunTrust Bank (or its successor appointed under Section 13.1), acting as administrative agent for the Lenders under the Credit Documents.

"AERIE" means Aerie Networks, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"AERIE LEASES" means (a) the Master Fiber Optics Agreement, dated September 1, 2000, between Aerie and TE Products, pursuant to which TE Products has leased to Aerie a portion of TE Product's pipeline right-of-way for Aerie's installation, construction, operation and maintenance of a telecommunications network and related facilities, and (b) the Master Fiber Optics Agreement, dated September 1, 2000, between Aerie and TEPPCO Crude Pipeline, pursuant to which TEPPCO Crude Pipeline has leased to Aerie a portion of TEPPCO Crude Pipeline's pipeline right-of-way for Aerie's installation, construction, operation and maintenance of a telecommunications network and related facilities, in each case as amended from time to time.

"AFFILIATE" of a Person means any other individual or entity that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by or is under common control with that Person. For purposes of this definition, (a) "control", "controlled by" and "under common control with" mean possession, directly or indirectly, of power to direct or cause the direction of management or policies (whether through ownership of voting securities or other interests, by contract or otherwise), and (b) the General Partner and all of the Companies are Affiliates with each other.

"AGREEMENT" is defined in the preamble to this Agreement.

"APPLICABLE MARGIN" means, for any Borrowing, (i) on any date the Utilization Percentage equals or is less than 50%, the number of basis points set forth below in the columns identified as Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4 or Level 5, opposite the Base Rate or LIBOR Rate, as applicable, and (ii) on any date the Utilization Percentage exceeds 50%, the number of basis points set forth below in the columns identified as Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4 or Level 5, opposite the Utilized Base Rate or Utilized LIBOR Rate, as applicable.

	LEVEL 1 REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST A- BY S&P AND	LEVEL 2 REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST BBB+ BY S&P AND	LEVEL 3 REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST BBB BY S&P AND	LEVEL 4 REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST BBB- BY S&P AND	LEVEL 5 REFERENCE RATING LOWER
BASIS FOR PRICING	A3 BY MOODY'S	BAA1 BY MOODY'S	BAA2 BY MOODY'S	BAA3 BY MOODY'S	THAN LEVEL 4
LIBOR Rate	65.0	75.0	87.5	102.5	140.0
Base Rate	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Utilized LIBOR Rate	75.0	87.5	100.0	117.5	157.5
Utilized Base Rate	10.0	12.5	12.5	15.0	17.5

The Applicable Margin will be based upon the Level corresponding to the Reference Rating, and the corresponding Utilization Percentage, in each case in effect at the time of determination. For any LIBOR Rate Borrowing, the Applicable Margin will be based upon the Level corresponding to the Reference Rating, and the corresponding Utilization

Percentage, in each case in effect on the initial day of the Interest Period for such Borrowing. For each Base Rate Borrowing, the Applicable Margin will be based upon the Level corresponding to the Reference Rating, and the corresponding Utilization Percentage, in each case in effect on its Borrowing Date, and each change to such Applicable Margin for such Borrowing which subsequently results from a change in the Reference Rating or Utilization Percentage, as the case may be, shall be effective on the date on which the applicable rating agency announces the applicable change in ratings or such Utilization Percentage changes, as the case may be.

"ASSET DISPOSITION" means, with respect to the Borrower or any Significant Subsidiary, any sale, transfer, conveyance, lease or other disposition (including by way of merger, consolidation or sale-leaseback, but excluding any statutory conversion) by the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary to any other Person (other than by any Person to the Borrower or a Guarantor or by a Significant Subsidiary to any other Significant Subsidiary) of any assets of the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary (including, without limitation, any Equity Interests owned by the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary). The term "Asset Disposition" shall not include (i) dispositions of inventory in the ordinary course of business, (ii) dispositions of other assets in the ordinary course of business having a Diluted Value of not more than \$25 million in the aggregate during any fiscal year of the Borrower, (iii) dispositions of assets the proceeds of which are reinvested in other assets used by or useful to the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary in conducting its customary business if (A) a binding purchase, subscription or similar agreement relating to such reinvestment is entered into within 180 days after the receipt of all or substantially all of the cash proceeds from the disposition of such assets and (B) the Net Cash Proceeds from such disposition are so reinvested within one year after the receipt of such cash proceeds, (iv) the grant of a Lien by the Borrower or any Significant Subsidiary in any assets securing a borrowing by, or contractual performance obligation of, the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary, (v) the transactions contemplated by the Aerie Leases, (vi) dispositions of Equity Interests in connection with directors' qualifying shares or comparable Equity Interests, (vii) dispositions consisting of leases of assets entered into where the Borrower or any Significant Subsidiary is the lessor and the Person that is the lessee has no option to purchase such assets for less than Fair Market Value and (viii) dispositions described in Section 9.8(d).

"ASSIGNEE" is defined in Section 14.10(d).

"ASSIGNMENT" is defined in Section 14.10(d).

"BASE RATE" means, for any day, the greater of (a) the annual interest rate most recently announced by the Administrative Agent as its prime lending rate (which may not necessarily represent the lowest or best rate actually charged to any customer, as the Administrative Agent may make commercial loans or other loans at interest rates higher or lower than that prime lending rate) in effect at its principal office in Atlanta, Georgia, which rate may automatically increase or decrease without notice to the Borrower or any other Person, and (b) the sum of the Fed Funds Rate plus 0.5%.

"BASE RATE BORROWING" means a Borrowing bearing interest at the sum of the Base Rate plus the Applicable Margin.

"BORROWER" is defined in the preamble to this Agreement.

"BORROWING" means any amount disbursed to or on behalf of the Borrower by one or more Lenders under Section 2.1 pursuant to the procedures specified in Section 2.2, either as an original disbursement of funds, a renewal, extension or continuation of an amount outstanding.

"BORROWING DATE" is defined in Section 2.2(a).

"BORROWING REQUEST" means a request pursuant to Section 2.2(a), substantially in the form of Exhibit C-1.

"BUSINESS DAY" means (a) for purposes of any LIBOR Rate Borrowing, a day on which commercial banks are open for international business in London, England, and (b) for all other purposes, any day other than Saturday, Sunday, and any other day on which commercial banks are authorized by Legal Requirement to be closed in Georgia or New York

"CAPITAL LEASE" means any capital lease or sublease that is required by GAAP to be capitalized on a balance sheet.

"CENTENNIAL GUARANTY" means the guaranty by TE Products of certain Debt of Centennial Pipeline LLC relating to the Centennial Pipeline Project in a principal amount not to exceed, at any one time outstanding, \$75,000,000.

"CENTENNIAL PIPELINE PROJECT" means a refined petroleum products pipeline extending from the Upper Texas Gulf Coast to Illinois, of which TE Products will own a one-third interest.

"CERCLA" means the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. Sections 9601 et seq.

"CLOSING DATE" means the date, which must be a Business Day occurring no later than April 30, 2001, upon which all of the conditions precedent set forth in Article V to the effectiveness of this Agreement have been satisfied.

"COMMITMENT" means, as the context may require and at any time and for any Lender, either (a) the amount stated beside that Lender's name under the column captioned "Commitment" on the most recently amended Schedule 2 (which amount is subject to reduction and cancellation as provided in this Agreement), or (b) the commitment of such Lender to make a Borrowing.

"COMMITMENT PERCENTAGE" means, for any Lender and at any time, the proportion (stated as a percentage) that its Commitment bears to the total Commitments of all the Lenders.

"COMPANIES" means, at any time, the Borrower and each of its $\mbox{Subsidiaries}\,.$

"COMPLETION DATE" means, in respect of the FINA/BASF Project, the date on which all of the "Completion Standards" set forth in Exhibit 2.1 to the Services Agreement have been satisfied.

"COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE" means a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit C-3 and signed by a Responsible Officer on behalf of the Borrower.

"CONSOLIDATED EBITDA" means $\ensuremath{\mathsf{EBITDA}}$ of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries.

"CONSOLIDATED FUNDED DEBT" means Funded Debt of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries, other than Permitted Non-Recourse Debt of such Subsidiaries.

"CONSOLIDATED NET WORTH" means as at any date total partners' capital of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries as at such date, excluding the effects of any write-ups of assets after December 31, 2000, determined in accordance with GAAP. The effect of any increase or decrease in net worth in any period as a result of (i) items of income or loss not reflected in the determination of net income but reflected in the determination of comprehensive income, to the extent required by United States Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement 130 or (ii) items of assets, liabilities, income or loss reflected in the determination of the statement of financial position, to the extent required by United States Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement 133, each as in effect from time to time, shall be excluded in determining Consolidated Net Worth.

"CONSTITUENT DOCUMENTS" means, for any Person, the documents for its formation and organization, which, for example, (a) for a corporation are its corporate charter and bylaws, (b) for a partnership is its partnership agreement, (c) for a limited liability company are its certificate of organization and regulations, and (d) for a trust is the trust agreement or indenture under which it is created.

"CONVERSION NOTICE" means a request pursuant to Section 3.10, substantially in the form of Exhibit C-2.

"CREDIT DOCUMENTS" means (a) this Agreement, all certificates and reports delivered by or on behalf of any Company or the General Partner under this Agreement and all exhibits and schedules to this Agreement, (b) all agreements, documents and instruments in favor of the Administrative Agent or the Lenders (or the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Lenders) delivered by or on behalf of any Company or the General Partner in connection with or under this Agreement or otherwise delivered by or on behalf of any Company or the General Partner in connection with all or any part of the Obligations, and (c) all renewals, extensions and restatements of, and amendments and supplements to, any of the foregoing.

"CURRENT FINANCIALS" means, unless otherwise specified, either (a) the Borrower's consolidated Financials for the year ended December 31, 2000, or (b) at any time after annual Financials are first delivered under Section 8.1, the Borrower's annual

Financials then most recently delivered to the Lenders under Section 8.1(a), together with the Borrower's quarterly Financials then most recently delivered to the Lenders under Section 8.1(b).

"DEBT" means, for any Person, at any time and without duplication, the sum of the following obligations of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries: (a) all Funded Debt, (b) all obligations arising under acceptance facilities or facilities for the discount or sale of accounts receivable, (c) all direct or contingent obligations in respect of letters of credit and (d) all guaranties, endorsements and other contingent obligations in respect of obligations of other Persons or entities of the nature described in clauses (a) through (c) above.

"DEBTOR LAWS" means the Bankruptcy Code of the United States of America and all other applicable liquidation, conservatorship, bankruptcy, moratorium, rearrangement, receivership, insolvency, re-organization, suspension of payments or similar Legal Requirements affecting creditors' Rights.

"DEFAULT PERCENTAGE" means, for any Lender and at any time, the proportion (stated as a percentage) that the aggregate principal amount of Borrowings owed to it bears to the aggregate principal amount of Borrowings owed all the Lenders.

"DEFAULT RATE" means, for any day, an annual interest rate equal from day to day to the lesser of (a) the sum of the rate of interest applicable to Base Rate Borrowings plus 2%, and (b) the Maximum Rate.

"DILUTED VALUE" means, with respect to any assets of the Borrower, the Fair Market Value of such assets, and, with respect to any assets of any other Person, the Fair Market Value of such assets multiplied by the percentage of the Equity Interests held directly or indirectly by the Borrower in such Person.

"DISTRIBUTION" means, with respect to any Equity Interests issued by a Person (a) the retirement, redemption, purchase or other acquisition for value of those Equity Interests, (b) the declaration or payment of any dividend on or with respect to those Equity Interests, (c) any Investment by that Person in the holder of any of those Equity Interests, and (d) any other payment by that Person with respect to those Equity Interests.

"EBITDA" means, for any Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries and for any period, the sum of, without duplication, (i) Net Income of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries (other than any Excluded Subsidiary of such Person) for such period plus (ii) to the extent actually deducted in determining Net Income of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries for such period, Interest Expense, Tax Expense, depreciation and amortization, in each case, of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries (other than any Excluded Subsidiary of such Person) for such period.

"EMPLOYEE PLAN" means any employee pension benefit plan covered by Title IV of ERISA and established or maintained by any Company or any ERISA Affiliate (other than a Multiemployer Plan). "ENVIRONMENTAL LAW" means any applicable Legal Requirement that relates to protection of the environment or to the regulation of any Hazardous Substances, including CERCLA, the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. Section 1801 et seq.), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. Section 6901 et seq.), the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. Section 1251 et seq.), the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Section 7401 et seq.), the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. Section 2601 et seq.), the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. Section 136 et seq.), the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (42 U.S.C. Section 11001 et seq.), the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. Section 201 and Section 300f et seq.), the Rivers and Harbors Act (33 U.S.C. Section 401 et seq.), the Oil Pollution Act (33 U.S.C. Section 2701 et seq.), analogous state and local Legal Requirements, and any analogous future enacted or adopted Legal Requirement.

"ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY" means any liability, loss, fine, penalty, charge, lien, damage, cost or expense of any kind to the extent that it results (a) from the violation of any Environmental Law, (b) from the Release or threatened Release of any Hazardous Substance, or (c) from actual or threatened damages to natural resources.

"ENVIRONMENTAL PERMIT" means any permit or license from any Person defined in clause (a) of the definition of Governmental Authority that is required under any Environmental Law for the lawful conduct of any business, process or other activity.

"EQUITY EVENT" means (a) the contribution in cash of capital (x) to the Borrower by any Person or (y) to any Significant Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary) by any Person other than the Borrower or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of the Borrower, or (b) any issuance of Equity Interests (x) by the Borrower to any Person or (y) by any Significant Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary) to any Person other than the Borrower or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of the Borrower.

"EQUITY INTERESTS" means, (a) with respect to a corporation, shares of capital stock of such corporation or any other interest convertible or exchangeable into any such interest, (b) with respect to a limited liability company, a membership interest in such company, (c) with respect to a partnership, a partnership interest in such partnership, and (d) with respect to any other Person, an interest in such Person analogous to interests described in clauses (a) through (c).

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

"ERISA AFFILIATE" means any Person that, for purposes of Title IV of ERISA, is a member of any Company's controlled group or is under common control with any Company within the meaning of Section 414 of the IRC.

"EVENT OF DEFAULT" is defined in Article 11.

"EXCHANGE AGREEMENT" means the Exchange Agreement, dated as of April 7, 2000, among TE Products, TEPPCO Crude Pipeline and Aerie, pursuant to which each of TE Products and TEPPCO Crude Pipeline will be issued certain preferred stock, other Equity Interests and investor rights in exchange for its grant and lease pursuant to the Aerie Lease to which it is a party, as amended and in effect from time to time.

"EXCLUDED SUBSIDIARY" means, for any Company (the "FIRST PERSON"), any other Company (the "SECOND PERSON") in which the first Person owns Equity Interests and where the second Person (a) has no Funded Debt other than Permitted Non-Recourse Debt and (b) the sole purpose of which is to engage in the acquisition, construction, development and/or operation activities financed or refinanced with such Permitted Non-Recourse Debt.

"FACILITY FEE" means, for any day, a fee payable on the amount of the Commitment of each Lender on such day, irrespective of usage, payable at the rate (expressed in basis points per annum) set forth below in the columns identified as Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4 or Level 5 based on the Reference Ratings.

	LEVEL 1 REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST A- BY S&P AND	LEVEL 2 REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST BBB+ BY S&P AND	LEVEL 3 REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST BBB BY S&P AND	LEVEL 4 REFERENCE RATING AT LEAST BBB- BY S&P AND	LEVEL 5 REFERENCE RATING LOWER
BASIS FOR PRICING	A3 BY MOODY'S	BAA1 BY MOODY'S	BAA2 BY MOODY'S	BAA3 BY MOODY'S	THAN LEVEL 4
Facility Fee	10.0	12.5	15.0	22.5	35.0

The Facility Fee will be based upon the Level corresponding to the Reference Rating at the time of determination. Any change in the Facility Fee resulting from a change in the Reference Rating shall be effective as of the date on which the applicable rating agency announces the applicable change in rating.

"FAIR MARKET VALUE" means, with respect to any Equity Interest or other property or asset, the price obtainable for such Equity Interest or other property or asset in an arm's-length sale between an informed and willing purchaser under no compulsion to purchase and an informed and willing seller under no compulsion to sell.

"FED FUNDS RATE" means, for any day, the annual rate (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the nearest 0.01%) determined (which determination is conclusive and binding, absent manifest error) by the Administrative Agent to be equal to (a) the weighted average of the rates on overnight federal funds transactions with member banks of the Federal Reserve System arranged by federal funds brokers on that day (or, if such day is not a Business Day, then on the immediately preceding Business Day), as published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on the next Business Day, or (b) if those rates are not published for any such day, the average of the quotations at approximately 10:00 a.m. received by the Administrative Agent from three federal funds brokers of recognized standing selected by the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion.

"FINA/BASF CONTRACTS" means, in each case as amended and in effect from time to time, collectively: (a) the Service Agreement; (b) the Call Option Agreement, dated

February 9, 1999, among TE Products, BASF Fina Petrochemicals Limited Partnership, BASF Corporation and FINA Oil and Chemical Company; (c) the Agreement between Owner and Contractor, dated February 4, 1999, between TE Products and Eagleton Engineering Company; and (d) the Parent Company Guaranty, dated February 4, 1999, between Babcock International Group PLC and TE Products.

"FINA/BASF PROJECT" means the construction of pipelines by TE Products from Mont Belvieu, Texas to Port Arthur, Texas.

"FINANCIALS" of a Person means balance sheets, profit and loss statements, reconciliations of capital and surplus and statements of cash flow of such Person prepared (a) according to GAAP (subject to year-end audit adjustments with respect to interim Financials) and (b) except as stated in Section 1.4, in comparative form to prior year-end figures or corresponding periods of the preceding fiscal year or other relevant period, as applicable.

"FUNDED DEBT" means, for any Person at any time, and without duplication, the sum of the following for such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries: (a) the unpaid principal amount or component of all obligations for borrowed money, (b) the unpaid principal amount or component of all obligations evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments, (c) the unpaid principal amount or component of all obligations to pay the deferred purchase price of property or services except trade accounts payable arising in the ordinary course of business, (d) in respect of all obligations that are secured (or for which the holder of any such obligation has an existing Right, contingent or otherwise, to be so secured) by any Lien on property owned or acquired by that Person, the lesser of (x) the unpaid amount of all of those obligations from time to time outstanding and (y) the Fair Market Value of the property securing all of those obligations, liabilities secured (or for which the holder of such obligations has an existing Right, contingent or otherwise, to be so secured) by any Lien existing on property owned or acquired by that Person, (e) all Capital Lease obligations, (f) the unpaid principal amount or component of all obligations under synthetic leases, and (g) the unpaid principal amount or component of all guaranties, endorsements, and other contingent obligations in respect of obligations of other Persons or entities of the nature described in clauses (a) through (f) above.

"FUNDING LOSS" means any loss, expense or reduction in yield (but not any Applicable Margin) that any Lender reasonably incurs because (i) the Borrower fails or refuses (for any reason whatsoever other than a default by the Administrative Agent or the Lender claiming that loss, expense or reduction in yield) to take any Borrowing or convert a Borrowing that it has requested, or given notice for, under this Agreement, or (ii) the Borrower voluntarily or involuntarily prepays or pays any LIBOR Rate Borrowing or converts any LIBOR Rate Borrowing to a Borrowing of another Type, in each case, other than on the last day of the applicable Interest Period. The amount of any Funding Loss shall be determined by the relevant Lender to be the excess, if any, of (A) the amount of interest that would have accrued on the principal amount of such Borrowing had such event not occurred, at the LIBOR Rate, for the period from the date of such event to the last day of the then current Interest Period (or, in the case of a failure

to borrow, convert or continue, for the period that would have been the Interest Period for that Borrowing), over (B) the amount of interest that would accrue on such principal amount for such period at the interest rate that such Lender would bid (were it to bid), at the commencement of such period, for dollar deposits of a comparable amount and period from other banks in the London interbank market.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Financial Accounting Standards Board that are applicable from time to time.

"GENERAL PARTNER" means Texas Eastern or any other Person that serves as the general partner of the Borrower without causing the occurrence of a Potential Default or an Event of Default under Section 11.7(b).

"GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY" means any (a) local, state, territorial, federal or foreign judicial, executive, regulatory, administrative, legislative or governmental agency, board, bureau, commission, department or other instrumentality, (b) private arbitration board or panel or (c) central bank.

"GUARANTOR" means each Person delivering a Guaranty as required by Article 6.

"GUARANTY" means a guaranty substantially in the form of Exhibit B. $\hspace{-0.5cm}$

"HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE" means any substance that is designated, defined, classified or regulated as a hazardous waste, hazardous material, pollutant, contaminant, explosive, corrosive, flammable, infectious, carcinogenic, mutagenic, radioactive or toxic or hazardous substance under any Environmental Law, including, without limitation, any hazardous substance within the meaning of Section 101(14) of CFRCIA.

"HEDGING AGREEMENT" means any swap, cap or collar arrangement or any other derivative product customarily offered by banks or other institutions to their customers in order to manage the exposure of such customers to interest rate fluctuations or commodity price fluctuations.

"INTEREST EXPENSE" means, for any Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries and for any period, all interest expense (including all amortization of debt discount and expenses and reported interest) on all Funded Debt of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries during such period.

"INTEREST PERIOD" is defined in Section 3.9.

"INVESTMENT" means, in respect of any Person, any loan, advance, extension of credit or capital contribution to that Person, any other investment in that Person, or any purchase or commitment to purchase any Equity Interest or Debt issued by that Person or substantially all of the assets or a division or other business unit of that Person. The term "Investment", however, does not include any extension of trade debt in the ordinary course of business or, as a result of collection efforts, the receipt of any equity in or property of a Person.

"IRC" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

"LEGAL REQUIREMENTS" means all applicable statutes, laws, treaties, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, writs, injunctions, decrees, judgments, opinions and interpretations of any Governmental Authority.

"LENDER" means (a) each financial institution (including, without limitation, SunTrust, in its capacity as a Lender, in respect of its Commitment) initially named on Schedule 2, (b) each Assignee pursuant to Section 14.10(d) and (c) each Additional Lender.

"LIBOR RATE" means, for a LIBOR Rate Borrowing and its Interest Period, the quotient of (a) the annual interest rate for deposits in United States dollars of amounts equal or comparable to the principal amount of that LIBOR Rate Borrowing offered for a term comparable to that Interest Period, which rate appears on the Telerate Page 3750 as of 11:00 a.m. (London, England time) two Business Days before the beginning of that Interest Period or, if no such offered rates appear on such page, then the rate used for that Interest Period shall be the arithmetic average (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the next higher 0.001%) of the rates offered to the Administrative Agent by not less than two major banks in New York, New York at approximately 10:00 a.m. (Atlanta, Georgia time) two Business Days before the beginning of that Interest Period for deposits in United States dollars in the London interbank market of the principal amount of that LIBOR Rate Borrowing offered for a term comparable to that Interest Period, divided by (b) a number equal to 1.00 minus the LIBOR Reserve Percentage. The rate so determined in accordance herewith shall be rounded upwards to the nearest multiple of 0.001%, and the term "Telerate Page 3750" means the display designated as "Page 3750" on the Dow Jones Markets Service, Inc. (or such other page as may replace Page 3750 on that service or another service as may be nominated by the British Bankers' Association as the information vendor for the purpose of displaying British Bankers' Association Interest Settlement Rates for United States dollars).

"LIBOR RATE BORROWING" means a Borrowing bearing interest at the sum of the LIBOR Rate plus the Applicable Margin.

"LIBOR RESERVE PERCENTAGE" means, for any Interest Period with respect to a LIBOR Rate Borrowing, the reserve percentage applicable to that Interest Period (or, if more than one such percentage shall be so applicable, then the daily average of such percentages for those days in that Interest Period during which any such percentage shall be applicable) under regulations issued from time to time by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (or any successor) for determining the maximum reserve requirement (including any emergency, supplemental or other marginal reserve requirement) for the Lenders with respect to liabilities or assets consisting of or including "eurocurrency liabilities" (as defined in Regulation D of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as in effect from time to time) having a term equal to that Interest Period.

"LIEN" means any lien, mortgage, security interest, pledge, assignment, charge, title retention agreement or encumbrance of any kind and any other arrangement for a creditor's claim to be satisfied from assets or proceeds prior to the claims of other creditors or the owners (other than title of the lessor under an operating lease).

"LITIGATION" means any action by or before any Governmental Authority.

"MAINTENANCE CAPITAL EXPENDITURES" means, for any Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries and for any period, all expenditures of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries during such period for the maintenance or repair of capital assets, determined in accordance with GAAP.

"MARGIN REGULATIONS" means Regulations T, U and X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as amended.

"MATERIAL ADVERSE EVENT" means any circumstance or event that, individually or collectively, is, or is reasonably expected to result in, any (a) material impairment of (i) the ability of the Borrower or any other Company to perform any of their respective payment or other material obligations under any Credit Document, or (ii) the ability of the Administrative Agent or any Lender to enforce any of those obligations or any of their respective Rights under the Credit Documents (other than as a result of its own act or omission), (b) material and adverse effect on the financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, as represented to the Lenders in the Current Financials most recently delivered before the date of this Agreement, or (c) Event of Default or Potential Default.

"MAXIMUM AMOUNT" and "MAXIMUM RATE" respectively mean, for any Lender, the maximum non-usurious amount and the maximum non-usurious rate of interest that, under applicable Legal Requirement, that such Lender is permitted to contract for, charge, take, reserve or receive on the Obligations.

"MOODY'S" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any successor thereto.

"MULTIEMPLOYER PLAN" means a multiemployer plan as defined in Sections 3(37) or 4001(a)(3) of ERISA or Section 414(f) of the IRC to which any Company or any ERISA Affiliate is making, or has made, or is accruing, or has accrued, an obligation to make contributions.

"NET CASH PROCEEDS" means, with respect to any Asset Disposition, Recovery Event or Equity Event (each, for purposes of this definition, a "TRANSACTION"), the aggregate amount of cash received, as the case may be, by (x) the Borrower or (y) any Significant Subsidiary and legally available to be distributed to the Borrower in the form of dividends or distributions in connection with such transaction after, in each case, deducting therefrom (i) payments made in respect of any Funded Debt to the extent that such payments are required to be made (other than under the Credit Documents but subject to Section 9.2(b)(ii)) as a result of or in connection with such transaction by applicable law or the terms of any contractual agreement relating to such Funded Debt, (ii) customary transaction costs (which in the case of any Recovery Event may include

litigation costs and expenses and other costs and expenses of collecting payments and settlements therefrom) that are paid or reserved for payment (A) to a Person that is not an Affiliate of the Borrower or (B) to the Borrower or an Affiliate of the Borrower to reimburse such Person for payments made by such Person to another Person that is not the Borrower or an Affiliate of the Borrower in respect of such transaction costs, (iii) the amount of taxes paid or reserved for payment by the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary in connection with or as a result of such transaction and (iv) any Reinvestment Amount.

"NET INCOME" means, for any Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries and for any period, the profit or loss of such Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries for such period after deducting all operating expenses, provision for Taxes and reserves (including reserves for deferred income Taxes), and all other deductions calculated, in each case, in accordance with GAAP, but excluding (a) extraordinary items, and (b) the profit or loss of any Subsidiary accrued before the date that (i) it becomes a Subsidiary of such Person, (ii) it is merged with such Person or any of its Subsidiaries, or (iii) its assets are acquired by such Person of any of its Subsidiaries.

"NON-RECOURSE" means, with respect to any Person as applied to any Funded Debt (or portion thereof), (a) that such Person is not directly or indirectly liable to make any payments with respect to such Funded Debt (or portion thereof), other than payments deemed made by or on behalf of such Person as a result of any realization on assets that were pledged to secure such Funded Debt and that consist of such Person's Equity Interests in the Person primarily incurring such Funded Debt (or any shareholder, partner, member or participant of such Person), (b) that such Funded Debt (or portion thereof) does not constitute Funded Debt of such Person other than to the extent of recourse to such Person's Equity Interests in the Person primarily incurring such Debt (or any shareholder, partner, member or participant of such Person) and that (c) such Funded Debt (or portion thereof) is not secured by a Lien on any asset of such Person other than such Person's Equity Interests in the Person other than such Person's Equity Interests in the Person other than such Person's Equity Interests in the Person primarily incurring such Funded Debt or any shareholder, partner, member, participant or other owner, directly or indirectly, of such Person or the Person the obligations of which were guaranteed.

"NOTE" means one of the promissory notes substantially in the form of $\mathsf{Exhibit}\ \mathsf{A}.$

"OBLIGATIONS" means all present and future (a) Debts, liabilities and obligations of the Borrower to the Administrative Agent or any Lender that arise under any Credit Document, whether for principal, interest, fees, costs, attorneys' fees or otherwise and (b) renewals, extensions and modifications of any of the foregoing.

"OSHA" means the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, 29 U.S.C. Section 651 et seq. $\,$

"OTHER FACILITY" means the 3-Year Credit Agreement, dated the date hereof, among the Borrower, the lenders named therein and SunTrust.

"PARTICIPANT" is defined in Section 14.10(c).

"PBGC" means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

"PERMITTED DEBT" is defined in Section 9.1.

"PERMITTED LIENS" is defined in Section 9.3.

"PERMITTED NON-RECOURSE DEBT" means Funded Debt of any Person (other than the Borrower) that is Non-Recourse to any Company other than such Person and is used by such Person (i) to acquire, construct, develop and/or operate assets not owned by any Company as of the date hereof or (ii) to finance the acquisition of the Service Agreement.

"PERSON" means an individual, partnership, corporation (including a business trust), joint stock company, trust, unincorporated association, joint venture, limited liability company or other entity, or a Governmental Authority.

"POTENTIAL DEFAULT" means any event, occurrence or circumstance, the existence of which upon any required notice, time lapse, or both, would become an Event of Default.

"PREDECESSOR" means any Person for whose obligations and liabilities any Company is reasonably expected to be liable as the result of any merger, de facto merger, stock purchase, asset purchase or divestiture, combination, joint venture, investment, reclassification or other similar business transaction.

"PRO FORMA EBITDA" means, for any fiscal period of the Borrower, the sum of Consolidated EBITDA for such period plus, to the extent not already reflected in Consolidated EBITDA for such period, EBITDA for such period of any other Person or all or substantially all of the business or assets of any other Person or operating division or business unit of any other Person acquired in an Acquisition during such period.

"REAL PROPERTY" means any land, buildings, fixtures and other improvements to land now or in the future directly or indirectly owned by any Company, leased to or otherwise operated by any Company or subleased by any Company to any other Person.

"RECOVERY EVENT" means any settlement of or payment in respect of any property or casualty insurance claim or any condemnation proceeding relating to any property or asset of the Borrower or any Significant Subsidiary, the Diluted Value of which settlement or payment, when added to the Diluted Value of all such settlements and payments in any fiscal year of the Borrower exceeds \$25 million, provided, however, that for purposes of this definition, "Recovery Event" shall not include any settlement or payment that such Person is contesting diligently and in good faith.

"REFERENCE RATING" means (i) the ratings assigned by S&P and Moody's to the senior unsecured non-credit enhanced long-term debt of the Borrower, or (ii) if S&P and Moody's have not assigned ratings to the senior unsecured non-credit enhanced long-term debt of the Borrower, the ratings that are one level below the ratings assigned by S&P and Moody's to the senior unsecured non-credit enhanced long-term debt of TE Products. For purposes of the foregoing, (x) if the ratings assigned by S&P and Moody's

are not comparable (i.e., a "split rating"), the higher of such two ratings shall control, unless either rating is below BBB- (in the case of S&P) or Baa3 (in the case of Moody's), in which case the lower of the two ratings shall control, and (y) for purposes of illustration an S&P rating of BBB will be considered to be "one level below" an S&P rating, of BBB+.

"REINVESTMENT AMOUNT" means, with respect to any Recovery Event, the amount of cash received by the Borrower or any Significant Subsidiary that the Borrower, by written notice delivered to the Administrative Agent on or prior to the date 10 Business Days following receipt of such cash by the Borrower or such Significant Subsidiary, certifies will be reinvested, and within one year of receipt of such cash is in fact reinvested, in assets to replace, restore or refurbish the assets that were the subject of such Recovery Event.

"RELEASE" means any "release" as defined under any ${\tt Environmental\ Law}.$

"REPRESENTATIVES" means officers, directors, employees, accountants, attorneys and agents.

"REQUIRED LENDERS" means any combination of the Lenders holding (directly or indirectly) more than (a) 50% of the total Commitments, if there are no Borrowings outstanding, (b) 50% of the sum of (i) the total unused Commitments plus (ii) the aggregate principal amount of all Borrowings outstanding and the maturity of the Obligations has not been accelerated and the Commitments have not been terminated under Section 12.1(a) or (b), as the case may be, and (c) 50% of the aggregate principal amount of all Borrowings outstanding and the maturity of the Obligations has been accelerated or the Commitments have been terminated under Section 12.1(a) or (b), as the case may be.

"RESPONSIBLE OFFICER" means the chairman, president, vice president, chief executive officer, chief financial officer, treasurer, corporate secretary, member or manager of the General Partner or Person of comparable authority.

"RIGHTS" means rights, remedies, powers, privileges and benefits.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., or any successor thereto.

"SENIOR NOTES" means the 6.45% Senior Notes Due 2008 in the original aggregate principal amount of \$180,000,000 and the 7.51% Senior Notes Due 2028 in the original aggregate principal amount of \$210,000,000, in each case issued by TE Products under the Indenture dated as of January 27, 1998, between TE Products and The Bank of New York, Trustee.

"SERVICE AGREEMENT" means the Service and Transportation Agreement, dated February 9, 1999, among TE Products, BASF Fina Petrochemicals Limited Partnership, BASF Corporation and FINA Oil and Chemical Company, as amended and in effect from time to time. "SIGNIFICANT SUBSIDIARY" means each Subsidiary of the Borrower (a) in which the Borrower's direct and indirect Equity Interests in such Subsidiary and the Borrower's and its Subsidiaries' advances to such Subsidiary constitute more than 10% of the total assets of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries, (b) in which the Borrower's and its Subsidiaries' share of the total assets (after intercompany eliminations) of such Subsidiary exceed 10% of the total assets of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries, or (c) in which the equity of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in the income from continuing operations of such Subsidiary before income taxes, extraordinary items and cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles exceed 10% of such income of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries.

"SOLVENT" means, as to any Person, that (a) the aggregate fair market value of its assets exceeds its liabilities, (b) it is able to pay its debts as they mature, and (c) it does not have unreasonably small capital to conduct its businesses.

"STATED TERMINATION DATE" means the date occurring 364 days after the date of this Agreement, as such date may be extended pursuant to Section 2.5.

"SUBSIDIARY" of any Person means any corporation, limited liability company, general or limited partnership or other entity of which more than 50% (in number of votes) of the Equity Interests is owned of record or beneficially, directly or indirectly, by that Person.

"SUNTRUST" is defined in the preamble to this Agreement.

"TAXES" means, for any Person, taxes, assessments or other governmental charges or levies imposed upon it, its income or any of its properties, franchises or assets.

"TAX EXPENSE" means, for any Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries and for any period, the taxes on income of that Person and its consolidated Subsidiaries accrued during that period.

"TCTM" means TCTM, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"TE PRODUCTS" means TE Products Pipeline Company, Limited Partnership, a Delaware limited partnership.

"TEPPCO CRUDE" means TEPPCO Crude Oil, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"TEPPCO CRUDE PIPELINE" means TEPPCO Crude Pipeline, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"TERMINATION DATE" means the earlier of (a) the Stated Termination Date and (b) the effective date on which the Commitments are fully canceled or terminated.

"TEXAS EASTERN" means Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Company, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"TYPE" means any type of Borrowing determined with respect to the applicable interest option.

"UTILIZATION PERCENTAGE" means, at any time for the determination thereof, the percentage obtained by dividing (i) the aggregate Borrowings outstanding hereunder plus the aggregate outstanding credits under the Other Facility by (ii) the aggregate Commitments plus the aggregate commitments under the Other Facility at such time.

"WHOLLY-OWNED SUBSIDIARY" means any Subsidiary of a Person, all of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of which are directly or indirectly owned by such Person, excluding (a) any general partner interests owned by the General Partner in any such Subsidiary that is a partnership and (b) any directors' qualifying shares or similar type of Equity Interests, as applicable.

SECTION 1.2. TIME REFERENCES.

Unless otherwise specified, in the Credit Documents: (a) time references (e.g., 10:00 a.m.) are to time in Atlanta, Georgia, on the applicable date, and (b) in calculating a period from one date to another, the word "from" means "from and including" and the word "to" or "until" means "to but excluding".

SECTION 1.3. OTHER REFERENCES.

Unless otherwise specified, in the Credit Documents: (a) where appropriate, the singular includes the plural and vice versa, and words of any gender include each other gender, (b) where appropriate, words include their respective cognate expressions, (c) heading and caption references may not be construed in interpreting provisions, (d) monetary references are to currency of the United States of America, (e) section, paragraph, annex, schedule, exhibit and similar references are to the particular Credit Document in which they are used, (f) references to "telecopy", "facsimile", "fax" or similar terms are to facsimile or telecopy transmissions, (g) references to "including" (in its various forms) mean including without limiting the generality of any description preceding that word, (h) the rule of construction that references to general items that follow references to specific items are limited to the same type or character of those specific items is not applicable in the Credit Documents, (i) references to "writing" include printing, typing, lithography and other means of reproducing words in a tangible, visible form, (j) references to any Person include that Person's heirs, personal representatives, successors, trustees, receivers and permitted assigns, (k) references to any Legal Requirement include every amendment or supplement to it, rule and regulation adopted under it and successor or replacement for it, (1) references to any Governmental Authority include any Person succeeding to its relevant function, (m) references to any Credit Document or other document include (to the extent not prohibited by the terms of the Credit Documents) every renewal and extension of it, amendment and supplement to it and replacement or substitution for it, (n) the terms "assets" "property" in relation to any Person includes all asset, property and Equity Interests owned, used or acquired, or to be owned, used or acquired, by such Person, as the context may require, and (o) the "months" referred to in the definition of "Applicable Margin" shall mean the period that commences on the Closing Date and ends on the numerically corresponding day in the next $\ensuremath{\mathsf{C}}$ succeeding month, and each successive period commencing on the last day of the preceding

period and ending on the numerically corresponding day of the next succeeding month, provided, that if any such period begins on a day for which there is no numerically corresponding day in the next succeeding month, than such period will end on the last day of that month.

SECTION 1.4. ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES.

Unless otherwise specified, in the Credit Documents: (a) GAAP determines all accounting and financial terms and compliance with financial covenants, (b) GAAP in effect on the date of this Agreement determines compliance with financial covenants, (c) otherwise, all accounting principles applied in a current period must be comparable in all material respects to those applied during the preceding comparable period and (d) all financial terms and compliance with reporting and financial covenants must be on a consolidated basis, as applicable.

ARTICLE II THE COMMITMENTS

Each Lender severally but not jointly agrees to extend credit to the Borrower in accordance with the following provisions and subject to the other terms and conditions of the Credit Documents.

SECTION 2.1. REVOLVING FACILITY.

Each Borrowing is subject to all of the provisions in the Credit Documents, including the following: (a) each Borrowing may occur only on a Business Day on or after the Closing Date and before the Termination Date and (b) the Borrowings may never exceed the total Commitments at such time.

SECTION 2.2. BORROWING PROCEDURE.

The following procedures apply to Borrowings:

- (a) BORROWING REQUEST. The Borrower may request a Borrowing by making or delivering a Borrowing Request to the Administrative Agent, which is irrevocable and binding on the Borrower, stating the Type, amount, and Interest Period for each Borrowing and which must be received by the Administrative Agent no later than (i) 10:00 a.m. on the third Business Day before the date on which funds are requested (the "BORROWING DATE") for any LIBOR Rate Borrowing, or (ii) 11:00 a.m. on the Borrowing Date for any Base Rate Borrowing. The Administrative Agent shall promptly on the day received notify each Lender of any Borrowing Request. Each LIBOR Rate Borrowing must be in the amount of \$10,000,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000,000 in excess of \$10,000,000, and each Base Rate Borrowing must be in the amount of \$1,000,000 or an integral multiple of \$1000,000 in excess of \$1,000,000,000,000, the total unused Commitments.
- (b) FUNDING. Each Lender shall remit its Commitment Percentage of each requested Borrowing to the Administrative Agent's principal office in Atlanta, Georgia, in funds that are available for immediate use by the Administrative Agent by 2:00 p.m. on the applicable Borrowing Date. Subject to receipt of those funds, the Administrative Agent shall (unless to its

actual knowledge any of the applicable conditions precedent have not been satisfied by the Borrower or waived by the requisite Lenders) make those funds available to the Borrower by wiring the funds to or for the account of the Borrower.

(c) FUNDING ASSUMED. Absent contrary written notice from a Lender, the Administrative Agent may assume that each Lender has made its Commitment Percentage of the requested Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent on the applicable Borrowing Date, and the Administrative Agent may, in reliance upon such assumption (but shall not be required to), make available to the Borrower a corresponding amount. If a Lender fails to make its Commitment Percentage of any requested Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent on the applicable Borrowing Date, the Administrative Agent may recover the applicable amount on demand (i) from that Lender together with interest, commencing on the Borrowing Date and ending on (but excluding) the date the Administrative Agent recovers the amount from that Lender, at an annual interest rate equal to the Fed Funds Rate, or (ii) if that Lender fails to pay its amount upon demand, then from the Borrower, together with interest at the rate applicable to that Borrowing. No Lender is responsible for the failure of any other Lender to make its share of any Borrowing available as required by Section 2.2(b); however, failure of any Lender to make its share of any Borrowing so available does not excuse any other Lender from making its share of any Borrowing so available.

SECTION 2.3. EFFECT OF REQUESTS.

Each Borrowing Request constitutes a representation and warranty by the Borrower that as of the date of the requested Borrowing all of the applicable conditions precedent in Article 5 have been satisfied.

SECTION 2.4. TERMINATION OF THE COMMITMENTS.

- (a) VOLUNTARY. The Borrower may, upon giving at least five Business Days prior written and irrevocable notice to the Administrative Agent, terminate all or part of the Commitments. Each partial termination under this subsection (a) must be in an amount of not less than \$5,000,000 or a greater integral multiple of \$1,000,000 and must be ratable in accordance with each Lender's Commitment Percentage.
- (b) MANDATORY. On the date of any prepayment of Borrowings pursuant to Section 3.2(c)(ii), the Commitments shall automatically reduce by an amount equal to such prepayment.
- (c) MISCELLANEOUS. At the time of any termination of the Commitments under this Section 2.4, the Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent, for the account of each Lender, as applicable, all accrued and unpaid fees under this Agreement, the interest attributable to the amount of that reduction, and any related Funding Loss. Any part of the Commitments that is terminated may not be reinstated.

SECTION 2.5. RENEWAL OF COMMITMENTS.

(a) At least 45 but not more than 60 days prior to the then-current Termination Date, the Borrower may, by delivering a written request to the Administrative Agent (each such request being irrevocable), request that the then-current Termination Date be extended for an

additional period of 364 days, commencing on the then-current Termination Date. Upon receipt of such notice, the Administrative Agent shall promptly communicate such request to the Lenders.

- (b) No earlier than 45 days prior, and no later than 30 days prior, to the then-current Termination Date, the Lenders shall indicate to the Administrative Agent whether the Borrower's request to so extend the then-current Termination Date is acceptable to the Lenders, it being understood that the determination by each Lender will be in its sole and absolute discretion and that the failure of any Lender to so respond within such period shall be deemed to constitute a refusal by such Lender to consent to such request, with the result being that such request is denied (any Lender refusing or deemed to refuse any such request, a "NON-CONSENTING LENDER"). The Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrower, in writing, of the Lenders' decisions no later than 15 days prior to the end of the then-current Termination Date.
- (c) Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 5.2, in the event that the sum of the Commitments of the Lenders that have consented to the Borrower's request to extend the then-current Termination Date (the "CONSENTING LENDERS") plus the Commitments of Non-Consenting Lenders with respect to such request that have been assigned pursuant to Section 14.10(d) hereof shall constitute at least 80% of the aggregate Commitments, the then-current Termination Date shall be extended for an additional period of 364 days with respect to the Commitments of such Consenting Lenders. The Commitments of Non-Consenting Lenders with respect to such request shall automatically terminate on the last day of the then-current Termination Date (and the principal amount of all Borrowings made by such Non-Consenting Lenders, together with accrued interest and fees to such date, shall be repaid), unless assigned pursuant to Section 14.10(d) hereof; provided that, before the Borrower may solicit any institution other than the Consenting Lenders, the Consenting Lenders shall, at least five days before the end of the then-current Termination Date, determine whether to purchase by assignment the Commitments of such Non-Consenting Lenders.
- (d) The Administrative Agent shall prepare and deliver to the Borrower and each Lender (including each new bank and other financial institution to which a Non-Consenting Lender's Commitment has been assigned pursuant to Section 14.10(d)) a revised Schedule 2 that reflects the Commitments of each Lender.

ARTICLE III PAYMENT TERMS

SECTION 3.1. NOTES AND PAYMENTS.

The Borrowings are evidenced by the Notes, one payable to each Lender in the amount of its Commitment. The Borrower must make each payment and prepayment on the Obligations to the Administrative Agent's principal office in Atlanta, Georgia, in immediately available funds by 1:00 p.m. on the day due; otherwise, but subject to Section 3.6, that portion of the Obligations in respect of which such payment or prepayment was made shall continue to accrue interest until the Business Day upon which such payment shall be received by the Administrative Agent at the time and in the manner specified above. The Administrative Agent shall promptly pay to each Lender the part of any payment or prepayment to which that Lender is entitled under this

Agreement on the same day the Administrative Agent receives the funds from the Borrower. Unless the Administrative Agent has received notice from the Borrower before the date on which any payment is due under this Agreement that the Borrower will not make that payment in full, then on the date that payment is due the Administrative Agent may assume that the Borrower has made the full payment due and the Administrative Agent may, in reliance upon that assumption, cause to be distributed to each Lender on that date the amount then due to each Lender. If and to the extent the Borrower does not make the full payment due to the Administrative Agent, each Lender shall repay to the Administrative Agent on demand the amount distributed to that Lender by the Administrative Agent together with interest for each day from the date that Lender received payment from the Administrative Agent until the date that Lender repays the Administrative Agent (unless such repayment is made on the same day as such distribution), at an interest rate equal to the Fed Funds Rate.

SECTION 3.2. INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS.

- (a) INTEREST. Accrued interest on each LIBOR Rate Borrowing shall be due and payable on the last day of its Interest Period. If any Interest Period for a LIBOR Rate Borrowing is greater than three months, then accrued interest shall also be due and payable on the date three months after the commencement of the Interest Period. Accrued interest on the unpaid principal amount of each Base Rate Borrowing shall be due and payable in arrears on the last day of each March, June, September and December, commencing on the first such date that follows the Closing Date, and on the date such Borrowing becomes due and payable or is otherwise paid in full.
- (b) PRINCIPAL. The principal amount of all Borrowings shall be due and payable on the Termination Date.

(c) PREPAYMENTS.

- (i) The Borrower may, from time to time, by giving notice to the Administrative Agent no later than three Business Days before the date of the prepayment, prepay, without premium or penalty and in whole or part, the principal amount of any Borrowing so long as:
 - (A) the notice by the Borrower specifies the amount and Borrowing to be prepaid,
 - (B) each voluntary partial prepayment must be in a principal amount of not less than \$1,000,000 or a greater integral multiple of \$1,000,000, plus accrued interest on the amount prepaid to the date of such prepayment, and
 - (C) the Borrower shall pay the Funding Loss, if any, within 5 Business Days following an affected Lender's demand and delivery to the Borrower of the certificate as provided in Section 3.18. Conversions on the last day of Interest Period pursuant to Section 3.10 are not prepayments.
- (ii) The Borrower shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent upon the receipt of any Net Cash Proceeds and, at any time that Net Cash Proceeds received and

not previously applied to any prepayment pursuant to this Section 3.2(c)(ii) shall equal or exceed \$10,000,000, the Borrower shall prepay Borrowings, together with payment of any Funding Losses, in an aggregate amount equal to 100% (without duplication) of the following amounts, with such prepayments to be applied as specified below:

- (A) 100% of the Net Cash Proceeds of any Asset Disposition or Recovery Event, to be applied to the Borrowings; and
- (B) 100% of the Net Cash Proceeds of any Equity Event, to be applied, to the Borrowings.
- (iii) If at any time, the sum of the aggregate principal amount of Borrowings shall exceed the total Commitments, the Borrower shall forthwith prepay Borrowings, in a principal amount equal to such excess, together with accrued interest to the date of such prepayment on the principal amount of Borrowings prepaid and any Funding Losses owing in connection therewith.
- (iv) Prepayments of the Borrowings pursuant to this Section 3.2(c) shall be applied, first, to prepay any amounts outstanding under the Other Facility (other than in the case of prepayments pursuant to 3.2(c)(iii)), second, to prepay Base Rate Borrowings, third, to prepay any LIBOR Rate Borrowing that has an Interest Period the last day of which is the same as the date of such requirement prepayment, and, fourth to prepay other LIBOR Rate Borrowings, as selected by the Borrower, or, at the Borrower's option, to cash collateralize such other LIBOR Rate Borrowings (which cash collateral will be applied on the last day of the Interest Period of each such LIBOR Rate Borrowing to prepay such LIBOR Rate Borrowings).

SECTION 3.3. INTEREST OPTIONS.

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, Borrowings shall bear interest at an annual rate equal to the lesser of (i) the Base Rate or the LIBOR Rate plus the Applicable Margin, in each case as designated or deemed designated by the Borrower, and (ii) the Maximum Rate; provided that the LIBOR Rate may not be selected when an Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing.

SECTION 3.4. QUOTATION OF RATES.

The Borrower may contact the Administrative Agent prior to delivering a Borrowing Request to receive an indication of the interest rates then in effect, but the indicated rates do not bind the Administrative Agent or the Lenders or affect the interest rate that is actually in effect when the Borrower makes a Borrowing Request or on the Borrowing Date.

SECTION 3.5. DEFAULT RATE.

To the extent lawful, any amount payable under any Credit Document that is not paid when due (including interest on any such unpaid amount) shall bear interest from the date due (stated or by acceleration) at the Default Rate until paid, regardless whether payment is made before or after entry of a judgment, payable on demand.

SECTION 3.6. INTEREST RECAPTURE.

If the designated interest rate applicable to any amount exceeds the Maximum Rate, the interest rate on that amount is limited to the Maximum Rate, but any subsequent reductions in the designated rate shall not reduce the interest rate thereon below the Maximum Rate until the total amount of accrued interest equals the amount of interest that would have accrued if that designated rate had always been in effect. If at maturity (stated or by acceleration), or at final payment of the Notes, the total interest paid or accrued is less than the interest that would have accrued if the designated rates had always been in effect, then, at that time and to the extent lawful, the Borrower shall pay an amount equal to the difference between (a) the lesser of the amount of interest that would have accrued if the designated rates had always been in effect and the amount of interest that would have accrued if the Maximum Rate had always been in effect, and (b) the amount of interest actually paid or accrued on the Notes.

SECTION 3.7. INTEREST AND FEE CALCULATIONS.

All computations of interest based on the prime lending rate of the Administrative Agent shall be made by the Administrative Agent on the basis of a year of 365 or 366 days, as the case may be. All computations of facility fees and interest based on the LIBOR Rate or the Fed Funds Rate shall be made by the Administrative Agent on the basis of a year of 360 days for the actual number of days (including the first day but excluding the last day) occurring in the period for which such facility fees or interest are payable. Each determination by the Administrative Agent of an interest rate hereunder shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent manifest error.

SECTION 3.8. MAXIMUM RATE.

Regardless of any provision contained in any Credit Document, no Lender is entitled to contract for, charge, take, reserve, receive or apply, as interest on all or any part of the Obligations, any amount in excess of the Maximum Rate, and, if any Lender ever does so, then any excess shall be treated as a partial prepayment of principal (without regard to Section 3.9) and any remaining excess shall be refunded to the Borrower. In determining if the interest paid or payable exceeds the Maximum Rate, the Borrower and the Lenders shall, to the maximum extent lawful, (a) characterize any nonprincipal payment as an expense, fee or premium rather than as interest, (b) exclude voluntary prepayments and their effects, and (c) amortize, prorate, allocate and spread the total amount of interest throughout the entire contemplated term of the relevant Borrowings. However, if the Obligations are paid in full before the end of their full contemplated term, and if the interest received for the period that the Obligations were outstanding exceeds the Maximum Amount, then the Lenders shall refund any excess (and the Lenders may not, to the extent lawful, be subject to any penalties provided by any Legal Requirements for contracting for, charging, taking, reserving or receiving interest in excess of the Maximum Amount). If the Legal Requirements of the State of Texas are applicable for purposes of determining the "Maximum Rate" or the "Maximum Amount", then those terms mean the "indicated rate ceiling" from time to time in effect under Chapter 303 of the Texas Finance Code. The Borrower agrees that Chapter 346 of the Texas Finance Code (which regulates certain revolving credit loan accounts and revolving tri-party accounts) does not apply to any Borrowings.

SECTION 3.9. INTEREST PERIODS.

When the Borrower requests a LIBOR Rate Borrowing, the Borrower may elect the applicable interest period (each an "INTEREST PERIOD"), which may be, at the Borrower's option, one, two, three or six months for LIBOR Rate Borrowings, subject to Section 14.1 and the following conditions: (a) the initial Interest Period for a LIBOR Rate Borrowing commences on the applicable Borrowing Date or conversion date, and each subsequent Interest Period applicable to any Borrowing commences on the day when the next preceding applicable Interest Period expires; (b) if any Interest Period for a LIBOR Rate Borrowing begins on a day for which no numerically corresponding Business Day in the calendar month at the end of the Interest Period exists, then the Interest Period ends on the last Business Day of that calendar month; (c) if the Borrower is required to pay any portion of a LIBOR Rate Borrowing before the end of its Interest Period in order to comply with the payment provisions of the Credit Documents, the Borrower shall also pay any related Funding Loss; and (d) no more than six Interest Periods may be in effect at one time.

SECTION 3.10. CONVERSIONS.

The Borrower may in accordance with the procedures set forth below (a) convert a LIBOR Rate Borrowing on the last day of the applicable Interest Period to a Base Rate Borrowing, (b) convert a Base Rate Borrowing at any time to a LIBOR Rate Borrowing, and (c) elect a new Interest Period for a LIBOR Rate Borrowing to commence upon expiration of the then-current Interest Period; provided that the Borrower may not convert to or select a new Interest Period for a LIBOR Rate Borrowing at any time when an Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing. Any such conversion or election may be made by telephonic request to the Administrative Agent no later than 10:00 a.m. on the third Business Day before the conversion date or the last day of the Interest Period, as the case may be (for conversion to a LIBOR Rate Borrowing or election of a new Interest Period), and no later than 11:00 a.m. on the last day of the Interest Period (for conversion to a Base Rate Borrowing). The Borrower shall provide a Conversion Notice to the Administrative Agent no later than two days after the date of the conversion or election. Absent the Borrower's telephonic request for conversion or election of a new Interest Period or if an Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing, then, a LIBOR Rate Borrowing shall be deemed converted to a Base Rate Borrowing effective when the applicable Interest Period expires.

SECTION 3.11. ORDER OF APPLICATION.

Each payment (including proceeds from the exercise of any Rights) of the Obligations shall be applied either (a) if no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing, then in the order and manner specified elsewhere herein, and if not so specified, then in the order and manner as the Borrower directs, or (b) if an Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing or if the Borrower fails to give any direction required under clause (a) above, then in the following order: (i) to all fees, expenses, and indemnified amounts for which the Administrative Agent has not been paid or reimbursed in accordance with the Credit Documents and, except while an Event of Default under Section 11.1 has occurred and is continuing, as to which the Borrower has been invoiced and has failed to pay within ten Business Days of that invoice; (ii) to all fees, expenses and indemnified amounts for which any Lender has

not been paid or reimbursed in accordance with the Credit Documents (and if any payment is less than all unpaid or unreimbursed fees and expenses, then that payment shall be applied against unpaid and unreimbursed fees and expenses in the order of incurrence or due date) and, except while an Event of Default under Section 11.1 has occurred and is continuing, as to which the Borrower has been invoiced and has failed to pay within ten Business Days of that invoice; (iii) to accrued interest on the principal amount of the Borrowings outstanding; (iv) to the principal amount of the Borrowings outstanding in such order as the Required Lenders may elect (but the Lenders agree to apply proceeds in an order that will minimize any Funding Loss); and (v) to the remaining Obligations in the order and manner the Required Lenders deem appropriate.

SECTION 3.12. SHARING OF PAYMENTS, ETC.

Except as otherwise specifically provided, (a) principal and interest payments on Borrowings shall be shared by the Lenders in accordance with their respective Commitment Percentages and (b) each other payment on the Obligations shall be shared by the Lenders in the proportion that the Obligations are owed to the Lenders on the date of the payment. If any Lender obtains any payment or prepayment with respect to the Obligations (whether voluntary, involuntary or otherwise, including, without limitation, as a result of exercising its Rights under Section 3.13) that exceeds the part of that payment or prepayment that it is then entitled to receive under the Credit Documents, then that Lender shall purchase from the other Lenders participations that will cause the purchasing Lender to share the excess payment or prepayment ratably with each other Lender. If all or any portion of any excess payment or prepayment is subsequently recovered from the purchasing Lender, then the purchase shall be rescinded and the purchase price restored to the extent of the recovery. The Borrower agrees that any purchase of a participation in any Borrowing from a Lender may, to the fullest extent lawful, exercise all of its Rights of payment (including the Right of offset) with respect to that participation as fully as if that purchaser were the direct creditor of the Borrower in the amount of that participation.

SECTION 3.13. OFFSET.

If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, each Lender is entitled to exercise (for the benefit of all the Lenders) the Rights of offset and banker's Lien against each and every account and other property, or any interest therein, that the Borrower or any Company, other than an Excluded Subsidiary, may now or hereafter have with, or which is now or hereafter in the possession of, that Lender to the extent of the full amount of the Obligations then matured and owed (directly or participated) to it.

SECTION 3.14. BOOKING BORROWINGS.

To the extent lawful, any Lender may make, carry or transfer its Borrowings at, to or for the account of any of its branch offices or the office or branch of any of its Affiliates. However, no Affiliate or branch is entitled to receive any greater payment under Section 3.16 than the transferor Lender would have been entitled to receive with respect to those Borrowings, and a transfer may not be made if, as a direct result of it, Section 3.16 or 3.17 would apply to any of the Obligations. If any of the conditions of Sections 3.16 or 3.17 ever apply to a Lender, that Lender shall, to the extent possible, carry or transfer its Borrowings at, to or for the account of

any of its branch offices or the office or branch of any of its Affiliates so long as the transfer is consistent with the other provisions of this section, does not create any burden or adverse circumstance for that Lender that would not otherwise exist, and eliminates or ameliorates the conditions of Section 3.16 or 3.17 as applicable.

SECTION 3.15. BASIS UNAVAILABLE OR INADEQUATE FOR LIBOR RATE.

If, on or before any date when a LIBOR Rate is to be determined for a Borrowing, the Administrative Agent reasonably determines that the basis for determining the applicable rate is not available or any Lender reasonably determines that the resulting rate does not accurately reflect the cost to that Lender of making or converting Borrowings at that rate for the applicable Interest Period, then the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Lenders of that determination (which is conclusive and binding on the Borrower absent manifest error) and the applicable Borrowing shall bear interest at the sum of the Base Rate plus the Applicable Margin. Until the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower that those circumstances no longer exist, the Lenders' commitments under this Agreement to make, or to convert to, LIBOR Rate Borrowings, as the case may be, are suspended.

SECTION 3.16. ADDITIONAL COSTS.

- (a) RESERVES. With respect to any LIBOR Rate Borrowing (i) if any change in any present Legal Requirement, any change in the interpretation or application of any present Legal Requirement, or any future Legal Requirement imposes, modifies or deems applicable (or if compliance by any Lender with any requirement of any Governmental Authority results in) any requirement that any reserves (including, without limitation, any marginal, emergency, supplemental or special reserves) be maintained (other than any reserve included in the LIBOR Reserve Percentage), and (ii) if those reserves reduce any sums receivable by that Lender under this Agreement or increase the costs incurred by that Lender in advancing or maintaining any portion of any LIBOR Rate Borrowing, then (A) that Lender (through the Administrative Agent) shall deliver to the Borrower a certificate setting forth in reasonable detail the calculation of the amount necessary to compensate it for its reduction or increase (which certificate is conclusive and binding absent manifest error), and (B) the Borrower shall pay that amount to that Lender within five Business Days after demand. The provisions of and undertakings and indemnification in this subsection (a) survive the satisfaction and payment of the Obligations and termination of this Agreement.
- (b) CAPITAL ADEQUACY. With respect to any Borrowing, if any change in any present Legal Requirement (whether or not having the force of law), any change in the interpretation or application of any present Legal Requirement (whether or not having the force of law), or any future Legal Requirement (whether or not having the force of law) regarding capital adequacy, or if compliance by any Lender with any request, directive or requirement imposed in the future by any Governmental Authority regarding capital adequacy, or if any change by any Lender, its holding company, or its applicable lending office in its written policies or in the risk category of this transaction, in any of the foregoing events or circumstances, reduces the rate of return on its capital as a consequence of its obligations under this Agreement to a level below that which it otherwise could have achieved (taking into consideration its policies with respect to capital adequacy) by an amount deemed by it to be material (and it may, in determining the amount,

utilize reasonable assumptions and allocations of costs and expenses and use any reasonable averaging or attribution method), then (unless the effect is already reflected in the rate of interest then applicable under this Agreement) the Administrative Agent or that Lender (through the Administrative Agent) shall notify the Borrower and deliver to the Borrower a certificate setting forth in reasonable detail the calculation of the amount necessary to compensate it (which certificate is conclusive and binding absent manifest error), and the Borrower shall pay that amount to the Administrative Agent or that Lender within five Business Days after demand. The provisions of and undertakings and indemnification in this subsection (b) shall survive the satisfaction and payment of the Obligations and termination of this Agreement.

(c) TAXES. Subject to Section 3.19, any Taxes payable by the Administrative Agent or any Lender or ruled (by a Governmental Authority) payable by the Administrative Agent or any Lender in respect of this Agreement or any other Credit Document shall, if permitted by Legal Requirement, be paid by the Borrower, together with interest and penalties, if any, except for Taxes payable on or measured by the overall net income or capital of the Administrative Agent or that Lender (or the Administrative Agent or that Lender, as the case may be, together with any other Person with whom the Administrative Agent or that Lender files a consolidated, combined, unitary or similar Tax return) and except for interest and penalties incurred as a result of the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Administrative Agent or any Lender. Administrative Agent or that Lender (through the Administrative Agent) shall notify the Borrower and deliver to the Borrower a certificate setting forth in reasonable detail the calculation of the amount of payable Taxes, which certificate is conclusive and binding (absent manifest error), and the Borrower shall pay that amount to the Administrative Agent for its account or the account of that Lender, as the case may be within five Business Days after demand. If the Administrative Agent or that Lender subsequently receives a refund of the Taxes paid to it by the Borrower, then the recipient shall promptly pay the refund to the Borrower.

SECTION 3.17. CHANGE IN LEGAL REQUIREMENTS.

If any Legal Requirement makes it unlawful for any Lender to make or maintain LIBOR Rate Borrowings, then that Lender shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, and (a) as to undisbursed funds, that requested Borrowing shall be made as a Base Rate Borrowing, and (b) as to any outstanding Borrowing, (i) if maintaining the Borrowing until the last day of the applicable Interest Period is unlawful, then the Borrowing shall be converted to a Base Rate Borrowing as of the date of notice, in which event the Borrower will not be required to pay any related Funding Loss, or (ii) if not prohibited by Legal Requirement, then the Borrowing shall be converted to a Base Rate Borrowing as of the last day of the applicable Interest Period, or (iii) if any conversion will not resolve the unlawfulness, then the Borrower shall promptly prepay the Borrowing, without penalty but with related Funding Loss.

SECTION 3.18. FUNDING LOSS.

The Borrower shall indemnify each Lender against, and pay to it within five Business Days following demand and delivery by such Lender to the Borrower of the certificate herein provided, any Funding Loss of that Lender. When any Lender demands that the Borrower pay any Funding Loss, that Lender shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent a certificate setting forth in reasonable detail the basis for imposing Funding Loss and the

calculation of the amount, which calculation is conclusive and binding absent manifest error. The provisions of and undertakings and indemnification in this section survive the satisfaction and payment of the Obligations and termination of this Agreement.

SECTION 3.19. FOREIGN LENDERS, PARTICIPANTS AND ASSIGNEES.

Each Lender, Participant (by accepting a participation interest under this Agreement) and Assignee (by executing an Assignment) that is not organized under the Legal Requirements of the United States of America or one of its states (a) represents to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower that (i) no Taxes are required to be withheld by the Administrative Agent or the Borrower with respect to any payments to be made to it in respect of the Obligations and (ii) it has furnished to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower two duly completed copies of either U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or W-8ECI or any other form acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower that entitles it to a complete exemption from U.S. federal withholding Tax on all interest or fee payments under the Credit Documents, and (b) covenants to (i) provide the Administrative Agent and the Borrower a new Form W-8BEN or W-8ECI or other form acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower upon the expiration or obsolescence according to Legal Requirement of any previously delivered form, duly executed and completed by it, entitling it to a complete exemption from U.S. federal withholding Tax on all interest and fee payments under the Credit Documents, and (ii) comply from time to time with all Legal Requirements with regard to the withholding Tax exemption. If any of the foregoing is not true at any time or the applicable forms are not provided, then the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (without duplication) may deduct and withhold from interest and fee payments under the Credit Documents any Tax at the maximum rate under the IRC or other applicable Legal Requirement, and amounts so deducted and withheld shall be treated as paid to that Lender, Participant or Assignee, as the case may be, for all purposes under the Credit Documents.

SECTION 3.20. DISCHARGE AND REINSTATEMENT.

Each Company's obligations under the Credit Documents remain in full force and effect until no Lender has any commitment to extend credit under the Credit Documents and the Obligations are fully paid (except for provisions under the Credit Documents which by their terms expressly survive payment of the Obligations and termination of the Credit Documents). If any payment under any Credit Document is ever rescinded or must be restored or returned for any reason, then all Rights and obligations under the Credit Documents in respect of that payment are automatically reinstated as though the payment had not been made when due.

ARTICLE IV

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SECTION 4.1. TREATMENT OF FEES.

The fees described in this Section 4.1 (a) are not compensation for the use, detention or forbearance of money, (b) are in addition to, and not in lieu of, interest and expenses otherwise described in this Agreement, (c) are payable in accordance with Section 3.1, (d) are non-

refundable and (e) to the fullest extent permitted by Legal Requirement, bear interest, if not paid when due, at the Default Rate.

SECTION 4.2. FACILITY FEE.

The Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Lender the Facility Fee from the date hereof until the Termination Date, payable on the last day of each March, June, September and December, commencing on the first such date that follows the Closing Date, and on the Termination Date.

ARTICLE V CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

SECTION 5.1. CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO CLOSING.

This Agreement shall not be effective unless the Administrative Agent has received all of the items described in Schedule 5. In addition, no Lender is obligated to fund (as opposed to continue or convert) any Borrowing unless on the date of the applicable Borrowing (and after giving effect to the requested Borrowing): (a) the Administrative Agent has timely received a properly completed and duly executed Borrowing Request; (b) all of the representations and warranties of the Companies in the Credit Documents are true and correct in all material respects (unless they speak to a specific date or are based on facts which have changed by transactions contemplated or expressly permitted by this Agreement); (c) no Material Adverse Event, Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing; and (d) no limitation in Section 2.1 is or would be exceeded by the requested Borrowing. Each Borrowing Request, however delivered, constitutes the Borrower's representation and warranty that the conditions in subsections (b) through (d) above are satisfied. Upon the Administrative Agent's or any Lender's reasonable request, the Borrower shall deliver to the Administrative Agent or such Lender evidence substantiating any of the matters in the Credit Documents that are necessary to enable the Borrower to qualify for the requested Borrowing. Each condition precedent in this Agreement (including, without limitation, those on Schedule 5) is material to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, and time is of the essence with respect to each condition precedent.

SECTION 5.2. CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO EACH EXTENSION OF TERMINATION DATE.

In the event that the Borrower shall request an extension of the Termination Date pursuant to Section 2.5, such extension shall take effect only upon the satisfaction of the following conditions precedent:

- (a) the Borrower shall have paid all fees payable hereunder or payable under or referenced in Article IV, to the extent then due and payable;
- (b) the Administrative Agent shall have received such other documents and legal opinions in respect of any aspect or consequence of the transactions contemplated by Section 2.5 as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably request, including, without limitation, copies of the

resolutions, in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, of the directors of the Borrower's general partner authorizing the extension of the Termination Date; and

- - (i) The representations and warranties contained in Article VII are correct in all material respects on and as of such date as though made on and as of such date (unless they speak to a specified date or are based on facts that have changed by transactions contemplated or expressly permitted by this Agreement); and
 - (ii) No event has occurred and is continuing, or would result from such extension of the Termination Date, that constitutes an Event of Default or a Potential Default.

ARTICLE VI GUARANTIES

The Borrower shall cause each Significant Subsidiary (other than any Excluded Subsidiary of the Borrower), whether now existing or in the future formed or acquired as permitted by the Credit Documents, to unconditionally guarantee the full payment and performance of the Obligations by execution of a Guaranty. Any Guaranty delivered by a Guarantor after the Closing Date pursuant to this Article VI shall be accompanied by (a) an opinion of counsel to such Guarantor as to the enforceability of such Guaranty and such other matters as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request, (b) certified copies of the Constituent Documents of such Guarantor, (c) certified copies of all corporate or partnership (as the case may be) authorizations and approvals of Governmental Authorities required in connection with the execution, delivery and performance by such Guarantor of such Guaranty, and (d) such other certificates, documents and other information regarding such Guarantor as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request.

ARTICLE VII REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

The Borrower represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders as follows:

SECTION 7.1. PURPOSE.

The Borrower will use the proceeds of the Borrowings for (i) general purposes, including without limitation the making of Investments in Subsidiaries and Affiliates of the Borrower, (ii) acquisitions and (iii) capital expenditures. No Company is engaged principally, or as one of its important activities, in the business of extending credit for the purpose of purchasing or carrying any "margin stock" within the meaning of the Margin Regulations, and no part of the proceeds of any Borrowing will be used, directly or indirectly, for a purpose that violates any Legal Requirement, including the Margin Regulations.

SECTION 7.2. SUBSIDIARIES AND SIGNIFICANT SUBSIDIARIES.

Schedule 7.2 describes the Borrower, all of its direct and indirect Subsidiaries and all of its Significant Subsidiaries as of the date hereof.

SECTION 7.3. EXISTENCE, AUTHORITY AND GOOD STANDING.

Each Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Legal Requirements of its jurisdiction of formation. Except where not a Material Adverse Event, each such Company is duly qualified to transact business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction where the nature and extent of its business and properties require due qualification and good standing (each of which jurisdictions is identified on Schedule 7.2). Each Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) possesses all requisite authority and power to conduct its business as is now being conducted and as proposed under the Credit Documents to be conducted and to own and operate its assets as now owned and operated and as proposed to be owned and operated under the Credit Documents.

SECTION 7.4. AUTHORIZATION AND CONTRAVENTION.

The execution and delivery by each Company of each Credit Document to which it is a party and the performance by it of its obligations under those Credit Documents (a) are within its corporate, partnership or comparable organizational powers, (b) have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate, partnership or comparable organizational action, (c) require no notice to, consents or approval of, action by or filing with, any Governmental Authority (except any action or filing that has been taken or made on or before the Closing Date), (d) do not violate any provision of any of its Constituent Documents, and (e) except violations that individually or collectively are not a Material Adverse Event, do not violate any provision of Legal Requirement applicable to it or any material agreement to which it is a party.

SECTION 7.5. BINDING EFFECT.

Upon execution and delivery by all parties to it, each Credit Document will constitute a legal and binding obligation of each Company party to it, enforceable against it in accordance with that Credit Document's terms except as that enforceability may be limited by Debtor Laws and general principles of equity.

SECTION 7.6. CURRENT FINANCIALS.

The Current Financials were prepared in accordance with GAAP and present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Companies as of, and for the portion of the fiscal year ending on their dates (subject only to normal year-end adjustments for interim statements). Except for transactions directly related to, specifically contemplated by or expressly permitted by the Credit Documents, no material adverse changes have occurred in such consolidated financial condition from that shown in the Current Financials.

SECTION 7.7. SOLVENCY.

Each of the Borrower and each Guarantor is Solvent.

SECTION 7.8. LITIGATION.

Except as disclosed on Schedule 7.8 and matters covered (subject to reasonable and customary deductible and retention) by insurance or indemnification agreements as to which the insurer or indemnifying party, as applicable, has acknowledged liability, (a) no Company is subject to, or aware of the threat of, any Litigation that is reasonably likely to be determined adversely to any Company and, if so adversely determined, would be a Material Adverse Event, and (b) no outstanding and unpaid judgments against any Company exist that would be a Material Adverse Event.

SECTION 7.9. TAXES.

Except where not a Material Adverse Event, (a) all Tax returns of each Company required to be filed have been filed (or extensions have been granted) before delinquency, and (b) all Taxes imposed upon each Company that are due and payable have been paid before delinquency except as being contested as permitted by Section 8.5.

SECTION 7.10. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW AND ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS.

Except as disclosed on Schedule 7.10, (a) no Company has received notice from any Governmental Authority that it has actual or potential Environmental Liability and no Company has knowledge that it has any Environmental Liability, which actual or potential Environmental Liability in either case constitutes a Material Adverse Event, and (b) no Company has received notice from any Governmental Authority that any Real Property is affected by, and no Company has knowledge that any Real Property is affected by, any Release of any Hazardous Substance which constitutes a Material Adverse Event. Further, except as otherwise provided in any Credit Document, each Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) is in compliance with clause (a) of Section 9.6.

SECTION 7.11. EMPLOYEE PLANS.

Except as disclosed on Schedule 7.11 or where not a Material Adverse Event, (a) no Employee Plan subject to ERISA has incurred an "accumulated funding deficiency" (as defined in Section 302 of ERISA or Section 512 of the IRC), (b) neither any Company nor any ERISA Affiliate has incurred liability, except for liabilities for premiums that have been paid or that are not past due, under ERISA to the PBGC in connection with any Employee Plan, (c) neither any Company nor any ERISA Affiliate has withdrawn in whole or in part from participation in a Multiemployer Plan in a manner that has given rise to a withdrawal liability under Title IV of ERISA, (d) neither the Borrower nor any ERISA Affiliate has engaged in any "prohibited transaction" (as defined in Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the IRC), (e) no "reportable event" (as defined in Section 4043 of ERISA) has occurred excluding events for which the notice requirement is waived under applicable PBGC regulations, (f) neither any Company nor any ERISA Affiliate has any liability, or is subject to any Lien, under ERISA or the IRC to or on account of any Employee Plan, (g) each Employee Plan subject to ERISA and the IRC complies

in all material respects, both in form and operation, with ERISA and the IRC, and (h) no Multiemployer Plan subject to the IRC is in reorganization within the meaning of Section 418 of the IRC. None of the matters disclosed on Schedule 7.11 give rise to any other "reportable events", as defined above.

SECTION 7.12. DEBT.

No Company has any Debt except as described on Schedule 7.12 or otherwise incurred after the date hereof in accordance with this Agreement.

SECTION 7.13. PROPERTIES; LIENS.

Each Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) has good and indefeasible title to all of its property reflected on the Current Financials as being owned by it except for property that is obsolete or that has been disposed of in the ordinary course of business between the date of the Current Financials and the date of this Agreement or, after the date of this Agreement, as permitted by Sections 9.8 and 9.9. No Lien exists on any property of any Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) except as described on Schedule 7.13 and other Permitted Liens. No Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) is party or subject to any agreement, instrument or order which in any way restricts any such Company's ability to allow Liens to exist upon any of its assets except relating to Permitted Liens.

SECTION 7.14. GOVERNMENTAL REGULATIONS.

No Company is subject to regulation under the Investment Company Act of 1940 or the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

SECTION 7.15. TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES.

Except as otherwise disclosed on Schedule 7.15 or permitted by Section 9.5, no Company is a party to a material transaction with any of its Affiliates.

SECTION 7.16. LEASES.

Except where not a Material Adverse Event, (a) each Company enjoys peaceful and undisturbed possession under all leases necessary for the operation of its properties and assets, and (b) all material leases under which any Company is a lessee are in full force and effect.

SECTION 7.17. LABOR MATTERS.

Except where not a Material Adverse Event, (a) no actual or threatened strikes, labor disputes, slow downs, walkouts, work stoppages or other concerted interruptions of operations that involve any employees employed at any time in connection with the business activities or operations at the Real Property exist, (b) hours worked by and payment made to the employees of any Company or any Predecessor have not been in violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act or any other applicable Legal Requirements pertaining to labor matters, (c) all payments due from any Company for employee health and welfare insurance, including, without limitation, workers compensation insurance, have been paid or accrued as a liability on its books, and (d)

the business activities and operations of each Company are in compliance with OSHA and other applicable health and safety Legal Requirements.

SECTION 7.18. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY.

Except where not a Material Adverse Event, (a) each Company owns or has the right to use all material licenses, patents, patent applications, copyrights, service marks, trademarks, trademark applications and trade names necessary to continue to conduct its businesses as presently conducted by it and proposed to be conducted by it immediately after the date of this Agreement, (b) each Company is conducting its business without infringement or claim of infringement of any license, patent, copyright, service mark, trademark, trade name, trade secret or other intellectual property right of others and (c) no infringement or claim of infringement by others of any material license, patent, copyright, service mark, trademark, trade name, trade secret or other intellectual property of any Company exists.

SECTION 7.19. INSURANCE.

All insurance required under Section 8.9 is in full force and effect.

SECTION 7.20. RESTRICTIONS ON DISTRIBUTIONS.

Except as disclosed on Schedule 7.20, no Subsidiary (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) of the Borrower is subject to any restriction on such Subsidiary's ability to directly or indirectly declare, make or pay Distributions to the Borrower.

SECTION 7.21. FULL DISCLOSURE.

Each fact or condition relating to any Company's financial condition, business or property that is a Material Adverse Event has been disclosed in writing to the Administrative Agent. All information previously furnished by any Company to the Administrative Agent in connection with the Credit Documents (the "DISCLOSED INFORMATION") was (and all information furnished in the future by any Company to the Administrative Agent will be) true and accurate in all material respects. As of the Closing Date, the Disclosed Information taken as a whole, was not misleading in any material respect and did not omit to disclose any matter the failure of which to be disclosed would result in any information contained in the Disclosed Information being misleading in any material respect.

ARTICLE VIII AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS

Until the Commitments have been terminated and the Obligations have been fully paid and performed, the Borrower covenants and agrees with the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that, without first obtaining the Required Lenders' written consent to the contrary:

SECTION 8.1. CERTAIN ITEMS FURNISHED.

The Borrower shall furnish or shall cause the following to be furnished to each Lender:

- (a) ANNUAL FINANCIALS OF THE BORROWER. Promptly after preparation but no later than 90 days after the last day of each fiscal year of the Borrower, Financials showing the consolidated financial condition and results of operations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of, and for the year ended on, that last day setting forth in comparative form the figures for the previous fiscal year, accompanied by (i) the opinion, without material qualification, of KPMG LLP or other firm of nationally-recognized independent certified public accountants reasonably acceptable to the Required Lenders, based on an audit (other than in the case of consolidating Financials) using generally accepted auditing standards, that those Financials were prepared in accordance with GAAP and present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated and consolidating financial condition and results of operations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, and (ii) a related Compliance Certificate from a Responsible Officer, on behalf of the Borrower.
- (b) QUARTERLY REPORTS. Promptly after preparation but no later than 45 days after the last day of (i) each of the first three fiscal quarters of the Borrower and the Companies each year, Financials showing the consolidated financial condition and results of operations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for that fiscal quarter and for the period from the beginning of the current fiscal year to the last day of that fiscal quarter setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding quarter and the corresponding portion of the previous fiscal year, accompanied, in each case, by a related Compliance Certificate, together with a completed copy of the schedule to that certificate, signed by a Responsible Officer, on behalf of the Borrower and (ii) each fiscal quarter of the Borrower prior to the Completion Date, a report detailing the progress of the FINA/BASF Project, in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.
- (c) OTHER REPORTS. Promptly after preparation and distribution, accurate and complete copies of all reports and other material communications about material financial matters or material corporate plans or projections by or for any Company for distribution to any Governmental Authority or any creditor, other than credit, trade and other reports prepared and distributed in the ordinary course of business and information otherwise furnished to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders under this Agreement.
- (d) EMPLOYEE PLANS. As soon as possible and within 30 days after any Company knows that any event which would constitute a reportable event under Section 4043(b) of Title IV of ERTSA with respect to any Employee Plan subject to ERISA has occurred, or that the PBGC has instituted or will institute proceedings under ERISA to terminate that plan, deliver a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower setting forth details as to that reportable event and the action that the Borrower or an ERISA Affiliate, as the case may be, proposes to take with respect to it, together with a copy of any notice of that reportable event which may be required to be filed with the PBGC, or any notice delivered by the PBGC evidencing its intent to institute those proceedings or any notice to the PBGC that the plan is to be terminated, as the case may be. For all purposes of this section, each Company is deemed to have all knowledge of all facts attributable to the plan administrator under ERISA.
- (e) OTHER NOTICES. Notice, promptly after the Borrower knows, of (i) the existence and status of any Litigation that is reasonably likely to be adversely determined and, if determined adversely to any Company, would be a Material Adverse Event, (ii) any change in any material fact or circumstance represented or warranted by any Company in any Credit

Document, (iii) an Event of Default or Potential Default, specifying the nature thereof and what action the Companies have taken, are taking or propose to take with respect to such event, (iv) any default or potential default under any FINA/BASF Contract, and (v) the Completion Date.

(f) OTHER INFORMATION. Promptly when reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent or any Lender, such reasonable information (not otherwise required to be furnished under this Agreement) about any Company's business affairs, assets and liabilities.

SECTION 8.2. USE OF CREDIT.

The Borrower shall use the proceeds of Borrowings only for the purposes specified in this Agreement.

SECTION 8.3. BOOKS AND RECORDS.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company to, maintain books, records, and accounts necessary to prepare Financials in accordance with $\mbox{\scriptsize GAAP}\,.$

SECTION 8.4. INSPECTIONS.

Upon reasonable request and subject to compliance with applicable safety standards, with contractual privilege and non-disclosure agreements, and with the same conditions applicable to any Company in respect of property of that Company on the premises of other Persons, the Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company to, allow the Administrative Agent or any Lender (or their respective Representatives) to inspect any of its properties, to review reports, files and other records and to make and take away copies thereof, to conduct reasonable tests or investigations, and to discuss any of its affairs, conditions and finances with its other creditors, directors, officers, employees or representatives from time to time, during reasonable business hours.

SECTION 8.5. TAXES.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company to, promptly pay when due any and all Taxes except Taxes that are being contested in good faith by lawful proceedings diligently conducted, against which reserve or other provision required by GAAP has been made, and in respect of which levy and execution of any Lien sufficient to be enforced has been and continues to be stayed.

SECTION 8.6. PAYMENT OF MATERIAL OBLIGATIONS.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to, promptly pay (or renew and extend) all of its material obligations as they become due (unless the obligations are being contested in good faith by, if required, appropriate proceedings).

SECTION 8.7. EXPENSES.

Within ten Business Days after demand accompanied by an invoice describing the costs, fees and expenses in reasonable detail (and subject to any limitations separately agreed to in writing by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in respect of costs, fees and expenses of the Administrative Agent or any of its Representatives), the Borrower shall pay (a) all costs, fees and reasonable expenses paid or incurred by the Administrative Agent incident to any Credit Document (including the reasonable fees and expenses of the Administrative Agent's counsel in connection with the negotiation, preparation, delivery and execution of the Credit Documents and any related amendment, waiver or consent) and (b) all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent or any Lender in connection with the enforcement of the obligations of any Company under the Credit Documents or the exercise of any Rights under the Credit Documents (including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs), all of which are part of the Obligations, bearing interest (if not paid within ten Business Days after demand accompanied by an invoice describing the costs, fees and expenses in reasonable detail) on the portion thereof from time to time unpaid at the Default Rate until paid.

SECTION 8.8. MAINTENANCE OF EXISTENCE, ASSETS AND BUSINESS.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to, (a) except in connection with dispositions permitted under Section 9.8, mergers, consolidations and dissolutions permitted under Section 9.9 and statutory conversions to another form of entity as permitted by applicable Legal Requirements, maintain its existence and good standing in its state of formation, and (b) except where not a Material Adverse Event, (i) maintain its authority to transact business and good standing in all other states, (ii) maintain all licenses, permits and franchises (including Environmental Permits) necessary for its business, and (iii) keep all of its material assets that are useful in and necessary to its business in good working order and condition (ordinary wear and tear excepted) and make all necessary repairs and replacements.

SECTION 8.9. INSURANCE.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to, at its cost and expense, maintain with financially sound, responsible and reputable insurance companies or associations (or, as to workers' compensation or similar insurance, with an insurance fund or by self-insurance authorized by the jurisdictions in which it operates) insurance concerning its properties and businesses against casualties and contingencies and of types and in amounts (and with co-insurance and deductibles) as is customary in the case of similar businesses.

SECTION 8.10. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each other Company to, (a) operate and manage its businesses and otherwise conduct its affairs in compliance with all Environmental Laws and Environmental Permits except to the extent noncompliance does not constitute a Material Adverse Event, (b) promptly deliver to the Administrative Agent a copy of any notice received from any Governmental Authority alleging that any such Company is not in compliance with any

Environmental Law or Environmental Permit if the allegation constitutes a Material Adverse Event, and (c) promptly deliver to the Administrative Agent a copy of any notice received from any Governmental Authority alleging that any such Company has any potential Environmental Liability if the allegation constitutes a Material Adverse Event.

SECTION 8.11. INDEMNIFICATION.

- (a) AS USED IN THIS SECTION: (I) "INDEMNITEE" MEANS THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, EACH LENDER, EACH PRESENT AND FUTURE AFFILIATE (WITH WHICH ANY COMPANY HAS ENTERED INTO A WRITTEN CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENT) OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT OR ANY LENDER, EACH PRESENT AND FUTURE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, ANY LENDER OR ANY OF THOSE AFFILIATES AND EACH PRESENT AND FUTURE SUCCESSOR AND PERMITTED ASSIGN OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, ANY LENDER OR ANY OF THOSE AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES; AND (II) "INDEMNIFIED LIABILITIES" MEANS ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN, FIXED AND CONTINGENT, ADMINISTRATIVE, INVESTIGATIVE, JUDICIAL AND OTHER CLAIMS, DEMANDS, ACTIONS, CAUSES OF ACTION, INVESTIGATIONS, SUITS, PROCEEDINGS, AMOUNTS PAID IN SETTLEMENT, DAMAGES, JUDGMENTS, PENALTIES, COURT COSTS, LIABILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS -- AND ALL COSTS AND REASONABLE EXPENSES AND DISBURSEMENTS (INCLUDING ALL REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES WHETHER OR NOT SUIT OR OTHER PROCEEDING EXISTS OR ANY INDEMNITEE IS PARTY TO ANY SUIT OR OTHER PROCEEDING) IN ANY WAY RELATED TO ANY OF THE FOREGOING -- THAT MAY AT ANY TIME BE IMPOSED ON, INCURRED BY OR ASSERTED AGAINST ANY INDEMNITEE AND IN ANY WAY ARISING OUT OF ANY (A) CREDIT DOCUMENT, TRANSACTION CONTEMPLATED BY ANY CREDIT DOCUMENT OR REAL PROPERTY, (B) ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY IN ANY WAY RELATED TO ANY COMPANY, PREDECESSOR, REAL PROPERTY OR ACT, OMISSION, STATUS, OWNERSHIP OR OTHER RELATIONSHIP, CONDITION OR CIRCUMSTANCE CONTEMPLATED BY, CREATED UNDER OR ARISING PURSUANT TO OR IN CONNECTION WITH ANY CREDIT DOCUMENT, OR (C) INDEMNITEE'S SOLE OR CONCURRENT ORDINARY NEGLIGENCE.
- (b) THE BORROWER SHALL INDEMNIFY EACH INDEMNITEE FROM AND AGAINST, PROTECT AND DEFEND EACH INDEMNITEE FROM AND AGAINST, HOLD EACH INDEMNITEE HARMLESS FROM AND AGAINST, AND ON DEMAND PAY OR REIMBURSE EACH INDEMNITEE FOR, ALL INDEMNIFIED LIABILITIES.
- (c) THE FOREGOING PROVISIONS (i) ARE NOT LIMITED IN AMOUNT EVEN IF THAT AMOUNT EXCEEDS THE OBLIGATIONS, (ii) INCLUDE, WITHOUT LIMITATION, REASONABLE FEES AND EXPENSES OF ATTORNEYS AND OTHER COSTS AND EXPENSES OF LITIGATION OR PREPARING FOR LITIGATION AND DAMAGES OR INJURY TO PERSONS, PROPERTY OR NATURAL RESOURCES ARISING UNDER ANY STATUTORY OR COMMON LEGAL REQUIREMENT, PUNITIVE DAMAGES, FINES AND OTHER PENALTIES, AND (iii) ARE NOT AFFECTED BY THE SOURCE OR ORIGIN OF ANY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, AND (iv) ARE NOT

AFFECTED BY ANY INDEMNITEE'S INVESTIGATION, ACTUAL OR CONSTRUCTIVE KNOWLEDGE, COURSE OF DEALING OR WATVER.

(d) HOWEVER, NO INDEMNITEE IS ENTITLED TO BE INDEMNIFIED UNDER THE CREDIT DOCUMENTS FOR ITS OWN SOLE GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR SOLE WILLFUL MISCONDUCT.

ARTICLE IX NEGATIVE COVENANTS

Until the Commitments have been terminated and the Obligations have been fully paid and performed, the Borrower covenants and agrees with the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that, without first obtaining the Required Lenders' consent to the contrary:

SECTION 9.1. DEBT.

The Borrower will not cause or permit any other Company to, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Debt except the following (the "PERMITTED DEBT"):

- (a) SUBSIDIARY GUARANTIES. Guaranties of any Debt of the Borrower.
- (b) PERMITTED NON-RECOURSE DEBT. Permitted Non-Recourse Debt.
- (c) CENTENNIAL GUARANTY. Upon the acquisition by TE Products of a one-third interest in the Centennial Pipeline Project, Debt arising under the Centennial Guaranty.
- (d) ADDITIONAL DEBT. Additional Debt not described in clauses (a) through (c) above incurred by the Guarantors in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$25,000,000.
- (e) EXISTING DEBT. The Debt described on Schedule 7.12, together with all renewals, extensions, amendments, modifications and refinancings of (but not any principal increases to) any of such Debt.

SECTION 9.2. PREPAYMENTS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company, other than an Excluded Subsidiary, to, prepay or redeem or cause to be prepaid or redeemed any principal of, or any interest on, any of its Debt except (a) the Obligations and (b) any of its other Debt if (i) no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing immediately before, or will occur as a result of (or otherwise will occur immediately after), the prepayment or redemption, and (ii) in respect of any prepayment or redemption of the Senior Notes, the Borrower concurrently prepays to the Lenders Borrowings in a principal amount that is in the same proportion to the total Borrowings immediately before such prepayment as the amount of principal of the Senior Notes then being prepaid or redeemed bears to the total principal amount of the Senior Notes immediately before such prepayment or redemption in accordance with Section 3.2(c)(iv).

SECTION 9.3. LIENS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company: (a) to create, incur or suffer or permit to be created or incurred or to exist any Lien upon any of its assets except Permitted Liens or (b) to enter into or permit to exist any arrangement or agreement that directly or indirectly prohibits any Company from creating or incurring any Lien on any of its assets except (i) the Credit Documents, (ii) any lease that places a Lien prohibition on only the property subject to that lease and (iii) arrangements and agreements that apply only to property subject to Permitted Liens. The following are "PERMITTED LIENS":

- (a) EXISTING LIENS. The Liens existing on the date of this Agreement and described on Schedule 7.13 and any renewal, extension, amendment or modification of any of such Lien, provided that the total principal amount secured by any such Lien never exceeds the total principal amount secured by such Lien on the date of this Agreement.
- (b) THIS TRANSACTION. Liens, if any, ever granted to the Administrative Agent in favor of the Lenders to secure all of any part of the Obligations.
- (c) BONDS. Liens securing any industrial development, pollution control or similar revenue bonds that never exceed a total principal amount of \$25,000,000.
- (d) FORECLOSED PROPERTIES. Liens existing on any property acquired by any Company in connection with the foreclosure or other exercise of its Lien on the property.
- (e) SETOFFS. Rights of set off or recoupment and banker's Liens, subject to any limitations imposed upon them in the Credit Documents.
- (f) INSURANCE. Pledges or deposits made to secure payment of workers' compensation, unemployment insurance or other forms of governmental insurance or benefits or to participate in any fund in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, pensions or other social security programs.
- (g) BIDS AND BONDS. Good faith pledges or deposits (i) for 10% or less of the amounts due under (and made to secure) any Company's performance of bids, tenders, contracts (except for the repayment of borrowed money), (ii) in respect of any operating lease, that are for up to but not more than the greater of either 10% of the total rental obligations for the term of the lease or 50% of the total rental obligations payable during the first year of the lease, or (iii) made to secure statutory obligations, surety or appeal bonds, or indemnity, performance or other similar bonds benefiting any Company in the ordinary course of its business.
- (h) PERMITS. Conditions in any permit, license or order issued by a Governmental Authority for the ownership and operation of a pipeline that do not materially impair the ownership or operation of such pipeline.
- (i) PROPERTY RESTRICTIONS. Zoning and similar restrictions on the use of, and easements, restrictions, covenants, title defects and similar encumbrances on, any Real Property or pipeline right-of-way that (i) do not materially impair the Company's use of the Real Property

or pipeline right-of-way and (ii) are not violated by existing structures (including the pipeline) or current land use.

- (j) EMINENT DOMAIN. The Right reserved to, or vested in, any Governmental Authority (or granted by a Governmental Authority to another Person) by the terms of any Right, franchise, grant, license, permit or Legal Requirements to purchase or recapture, or to designate a purchaser of, any property.
- (k) INCHOATE LIENS. If no Lien has been filed in any jurisdiction or agreed to, (i) claims and Liens for Taxes not yet due and payable, (ii) mechanic's Liens and materialman's Liens for services or materials and similar Liens incident to construction and maintenance of real property, in each case for which payment is not yet due and payable, (iii) landlord 's Liens for rental not yet due and payable, and (iv) Liens of warehousemen and carriers and similar Liens securing obligations that are not yet due and payable.
- (1) PERMITTED NON-RECOURSE DEBT. Liens securing obligations in respect of Permitted Non-Recourse Debt of any Subsidiary of the Borrower.
- (m) MISCELLANEOUS. Any of the following to the extent that the validity or amount is being contested in good faith and by appropriate and lawful proceedings diligently conducted, reserve or other appropriate provision (if any) required by GAAP has been made, levy and execution has not issued or continues to be stayed, and they do not individually or collectively detract materially from the value of the property of the Company in question or materially impair the use of that property in the operation of its business: (i) claims and Liens for Taxes; (ii) claims and Liens upon, and defects of title to, real or personal property, including any attachment of personal or real property or other legal process before adjudication of a dispute on the merits; (iii) claims and Liens of mechanics, materialmen, warehousemen, carriers, landlords or other similar Liens; (iv) Liens incident to construction and maintenance of real property; and (v) adverse judgments, attachments or orders on appeal for the payment of money.

SECTION 9.4. EMPLOYEE PLANS.

Except as disclosed on Schedule 7.11 or where not a Material Adverse Event, the Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, permit any of the events or circumstances described in Section 7.11 to exist or occur.

SECTION 9.5. TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, enter into any material transaction with any of its Affiliates except (a) those described on Schedule 7.15, (b) transactions between the Borrower and a Guarantor, (c) transactions permitted under Section 9.1 or 9.7, (d) transactions in the ordinary course of business and upon fair and reasonable terms not materially less favorable than it could obtain or could become entitled to in an arm's-length transaction with a Person that was not its Affiliate, and (e) compensation arrangements in the ordinary course of business with directors and officers of the Companies.

SECTION 9.6. COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND DOCUMENTS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to: (a) violate the provisions of any Legal Requirements (including, without limitation, OSHA and Environmental Laws) applicable to it or of any material agreement to which it is a party if that violation alone, or when aggregated with all other violations of Legal Requirements or other material agreements, would be a Material Adverse Event, (b) violate in any material respect any provision of its Constituent Documents, or (c) repeal, replace or amend any provision of its Constituent Documents if that action would be a Material Adverse Event.

SECTION 9.7. DISTRIBUTIONS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to declare, make or pay any Distribution other than (a) Distributions from any Subsidiary of the Borrower to the Borrower and the other owners (if any) of Equity Interests in such Subsidiary, and (b) Distributions by the Borrower that (i) will not violate its Constituent Documents and (ii) do not exceed "Available Cash" as defined in the Borrower's Agreement of Limited Partnership, in each case, so long as no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing or will occur as a result of such Distribution.

SECTION 9.8. DISPOSITION OF ASSETS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to, sell, assign, lease, transfer or otherwise dispose of any of its assets (including equity interests in any other Company) other than (a) pursuant to the Aerie Leases, (b) dispositions in the ordinary course of business for a fair and adequate consideration, (c) dispositions to any other Company that is a Guarantor, (d) dispositions to any Excluded Subsidiary in connection with a transaction involving the issuance by such Excluded Subsidiary of Permitted Non-Recourse Debt for the purposes described in clause (ii) of the definition of "Permitted Non-Recourse Debt", (e) dispositions of assets that are obsolete or are no longer in use and are not significant to the continuation of such Company's business and (f) any other disposition of assets, provided that the Borrower is in compliance with Section 3.2(c), if applicable, with respect to such disposition of assets.

SECTION 9.9. MERGERS, CONSOLIDATIONS AND DISSOLUTIONS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to, merge or consolidate with any other Person or dissolve, except (a) so long as no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing or will occur as a result of such transaction, any merger or consolidation involving one or more Companies (so long as, if the Borrower is involved, it is the survivor), and (b) dissolution of any Company (other than the Borrower) if substantially all of its assets have been conveyed to any Company or disposed of as permitted in Section 9.8.

SECTION 9.10. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUENT DOCUMENTS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to, materially amend or modify its Constituent Documents.

SECTION 9.11. ASSIGNMENT.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, assign or transfer any of its Rights, duties or obligations under any of the Credit Documents.

SECTION 9.12. FISCAL YEAR AND ACCOUNTING METHODS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, change its fiscal year for accounting purposes or any material aspect of its method of accounting except to conform any new Subsidiary's accounting methods to the Borrower's accounting methods.

SECTION 9.13. NEW BUSINESS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, engage in any business except the businesses in which it is presently engaged and any other reasonably related business.

SECTION 9.14. GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, conduct its business in a way that causes the Borrower or such Company to become regulated under the Investment Company Act of 1940 or the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

SECTION 9.15. SENIOR NOTES.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, (i) secure the obligations of any Company under the Senior Notes or the related Indenture, (ii) increase the principal amount of the Senior Notes, (iii) amend or modify any scheduled date of payment of principal under the Senior Notes or the related Indenture, or (iv) increase the stated rate of any interest applicable to the Senior Notes.

SECTION 9.16. STRICT COMPLIANCE.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, do indirectly anything that it may not do directly under any covenant in any Credit Document.

SECTION 9.17. RESTRICTIVE AGREEMENTS.

The Borrower will not, and will not cause or permit any other Company to, enter into any agreement, contract, arrangement or other obligation if the effect of such agreement, contract, arrangement or other obligation is (a) to impose any restriction, other than in connection with the issuance by any Subsidiary of the Borrower of Permitted Non-Recourse Debt, on the ability of any such Subsidiary to make or declare Distributions to the holders of its Equity Interests that is more restrictive than the restrictions that are in effect on the date of this Agreement and disclosed on Schedule 7.20 or (b) to restrict the ability of any Company to create or maintain Liens on its assets in favor of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders to secure, in whole or part, the Obligations, except with respect to (i) agreements, contracts, arrangements or other obligations of any Subsidiary of the Borrower acquired by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of the Borrower

after the date hereof to the extent that such acquired Subsidiary was a party to such agreements, contracts, arrangements or other obligations prior to its acquisition by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of the Borrower and (ii) the issuance by any Subsidiary of the Borrower of Permitted Non-Recourse Debt.

ARTICLE X FINANCIAL COVENANTS

Until the Commitments have been terminated and the Obligations have been fully paid and performed, the Borrower covenants and agrees with the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that, without first obtaining the Required Lenders' consent to the contrary:

SECTION 10.1. MINIMUM NET WORTH.

As of the last day of each fiscal quarter of the Borrower, Consolidated Net Worth will not be less than the sum of (a) 80% of Consolidated Net Worth as of December 31, 2000, plus (b) 100% of the Net Cash Proceeds of all Equity Events occurring after December 31, 2000.

SECTION 10.2. MAXIMUM FUNDED DEBT TO PRO FORMA EBITDA.

As of the last day of each fiscal quarter of the Borrower, the ratio of Consolidated Funded Debt to Pro Forma EBITDA for the period consisting of four consecutive fiscal quarters taken as a single accounting period and ending on such day will be less than the amount specified below for such fiscal quarter:

QUARTER(S) ENDING	RATIO
03/31/01 through 09/30/01	5.00 to 1.00
12/31/01 and thereafter	4.50 to 1.00

SECTION 10.3. FIXED CHARGE COVERAGE RATIO.

As of the last day of each fiscal quarter of the Borrower, the ratio of (a) EBITDA of the Borrower to (b) the sum of Interest Expense of the Borrower and Maintenance Capital Expenditures of the Borrower, in each case, (x) for the four consecutive fiscal quarters taken as a single accounting period and ending on such day and (y) excluding Interest Expense and Maintenance Capital Expenditures of any Excluded Subsidiary of the Borrower, will not be less than 1.75 to 1.00.

ARTICLE XI EVENTS OF DEFAULT

The term "EVENT OF DEFAULT" means the occurrence of any one or more of the following:

SECTION 11.1. PAYMENT OF OBLIGATIONS.

The Borrower's failure or refusal to pay (a) principal of any Note on or before the date due or (b) any other part of the Obligations (including fees due under the Credit Documents) on or before three Business Days after the date due.

SECTION 11.2. COVENANTS.

Any Company's failure or refusal to punctually and properly perform, observe and comply with any covenant (other than covenants to pay the Obligations) applicable to it:

(a) In Article 9 or 10; or

- (b) In Section 8.1, and such failure or refusal continues for ten days after the earlier of (i) any Company's obtaining knowledge of such failure or refusal and (ii) any Company's being notified of such failure or refusal by the Administrative Agent or any Lender; or
- (c) In any other provision of any Credit Document, and that failure or refusal continues for 30 days after the earlier of (i) any Company's obtaining knowledge of such failure or refusal and (ii) any Company's being notified of such failure or refusal by the Administrative Agent or any Lender.

SECTION 11.3. DEBTOR RELIEF.

The Borrower or any Significant Subsidiary (a) is not Solvent, (b) fails to pay its Debts generally as they become due, (c) voluntarily seeks, consents to or acquiesces in the benefit of any Debtor Law, or (d) becomes a party to or is made the subject of any proceeding (except as a creditor or claimant) provided for by any Debtor Law (unless, if the proceeding is involuntary, the applicable petition is dismissed within 60 days after its filing).

SECTION 11.4. JUDGMENTS AND ATTACHMENTS.

Where the amounts in controversy or of any judgments, as the case may be, exceed (from and after the date hereof and individually or collectively) \$25,000,000 for the Borrower or TE Products or \$1,000,000 for any other Company, and such Person fails (a) to have discharged, within 60 days after its commencement, any attachment, sequestration or similar proceeding against any of its assets or (b) to pay any money judgment against it within ten days before the date on which any of its assets may be lawfully sold to satisfy that judgment.

SECTION 11.5. GOVERNMENT ACTION.

Either (a) a final non-appealable order is issued by any Governmental Authority (including the United States Justice Department) seeking to cause any Company (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) to divest a significant portion of its assets under any antitrust, restraint of trade, unfair competition, industry or similar Legal Requirements, or (b) any Governmental Authority condemns, seizes or otherwise appropriates or takes custody or control of all or any substantial portion of any Company's (other than any Excluded Subsidiary) assets and, in either case, such event constitutes a Material Adverse Event.

SECTION 11.6. MISREPRESENTATION.

Any representation or warranty made by any Company in any Credit Document at any time proves to have been materially incorrect when made.

SECTION 11.7. CHANGE OF CONTROL.

Any one or more of the following occurs or exists: (a) the Borrower ceases to own at least 98.9899% of the limited partner interests in TE Products or TCTM; or (b) Texas Eastern or any other Subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation or Duke Energy Field Services Corporation ceases to be the sole general partner of the Borrower, TCTM or TE Products.

SECTION 11.8. OTHER DEBT.

In respect of the Senior Notes or any other Debt owed by any Company (other than the Obligations) individually or collectively of at least \$10,000,000 (a) any Company fails to make any payment when due (inclusive of any grace, extension, forbearance or similar period), or (b) any default or other event or condition occurs or exists beyond the applicable grace or cure period, the effect of which is to cause or to permit any holder of that Debt to cause (whether or not it elects to cause) any of that Debt to become due before its stated maturity or regularly scheduled payment dates, or (c) any of that Debt is declared to be due and payable or required to be prepaid by any Company before its stated maturity.

SECTION 11.9. FINA/BASF CONTRACTS.

Any default or other condition or event shall occur and be continuing under any FINA/BASF Contract that constitutes a Material Adverse Event.

SECTION 11.10. VALIDITY AND ENFORCEABILITY.

Once executed, this Agreement, any Note or Guaranty ceases to be in full force and effect in any material respect or is declared to be null and void or its validity or enforceability is contested in writing by any Company party to it or any Company party to it denies in writing that it has any further liability or obligations under it except in accordance with that document's express provisions or as the appropriate parties under Section 14.8 below may otherwise agree in writing.

SECTION 11.11. SENIOR DEBT RATING.

The Borrower fails to obtain a senior unsecured non-credit enhanced long-term debt rating from either S&P or Moody's by September 30, 2001.

SECTION 11.12. HEDGING AGREEMENTS.

In respect of any obligation under any Hedging Agreement entered into by any Company individually or collectively of at least \$10,000,000 (a) any Company fails to make any payment when due (inclusive of any grace, extension, forbearance or similar period), the effect of which is to cause (whether or not it elects to cause) any of the obligations under such Hedging Agreement

to become due before its stated payment date, or (b) any default or other event or condition occurs or exists beyond the applicable grace or cure period, the effect of which is to cause (whether or not it elects to cause) any of the obligations under such Hedging Agreement to become due before its stated payment date or (c) any such obligation is declared to be due and payable or required to be prepaid by any Company before its stated payment date.

ARTICLE XII RIGHTS AND REMEDIES

SECTION 12.1. REMEDIES UPON EVENT OF DEFAULT.

- (a) DEBTOR RELIEF. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default under Section 11.3, the Commitments shall automatically terminate, and the entire outstanding principal amount of the Borrowings and all other accrued and unpaid portions of the Obligations shall automatically become due and payable without any action of any kind whatsoever.
- (b) OTHER EVENTS OF DEFAULT. If any Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, subject to the terms of Section 13.5(b), the Administrative Agent shall at the request, or may with the consent, of the Required Lenders, upon notice to the Borrower, do any one or more of the following: (i) If the maturity of the Obligations has not already been accelerated under Section 12.1(a), declare the outstanding principal amount of the Borrowings and all other accrued and unpaid portion of the Obligations immediately due and payable, whereupon they shall be due and payable; (ii) terminate the Commitments; (iii) reduce any claim to judgment and (iv) exercise any and all other legal or equitable Rights afforded by the Credit Documents, by applicable Legal Requirements, or in equity.
- (c) OFFSET. If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, to the extent lawful, upon notice to the Borrower, each Lender may exercise the Rights of offset and banker's lien against each and every account and other property, or any interest therein, which the Borrower may now or hereafter have with, or which is now or hereafter in the possession of, such Lender to the extent of the full amount of the Obligations then matured and owed to that Lender.

SECTION 12.2. COMPANY WAIVERS.

To the extent lawful, the Borrower waives all other presentment and demand for payment, protest, notice of intention to accelerate, notice of acceleration and notice of protest and nonpayment and agrees that its liability with respect to all or any part of the Obligations is not affected by any renewal or extension in the time of payment of all or any part of the Obligations, by any indulgence, or by any release or change in any security for the payment of all or any part of the Obligations.

SECTION 12.3. NOT IN CONTROL.

Nothing in any Credit Documents gives or may be deemed to give to the Administrative Agent or any Lender the Right to exercise control over any Company's Real Property, other assets, affairs or management or to preclude or interfere with any Company's compliance with any Legal Requirement or require any act or omission by any Company that may be harmful to

Persons or property. Any "Material Adverse Event" or other materiality or substantiality qualifier of any representation, warranty, covenant, agreement or other provision of any Credit Document is included for credit documentation purposes only and does not imply or be deemed to mean that the Administrative Agent or any Lender acquiesces in any non-compliance by any Company with any Legal Requirement, document, or otherwise or does not expect the Companies to promptly, diligently and continuously carry out all appropriate removal, remediation, compliance, closure or other activities required or appropriate in accordance with all Environmental Laws. The Administrative Agent's and the Lenders' power is limited to the Rights provided in the Credit Documents. All of those Rights exist solely (and may be exercised in manner calculated by the Administrative Agent or the Lenders in their respective good faith business judgment) to assure payment and performance of the Obligations.

SECTION 12.4. COURSE OF DEALING.

The acceptance by the Administrative Agent or the Lenders of any partial payment on the Obligations is not a waiver of any Event of Default then existing. No waiver by the Administrative Agent, the Required Lenders or the Lenders of any Event of Default is a waiver of any other then-existing or subsequent Event of Default. No delay or omission by the Administrative Agent, the Required Lenders or the Lenders in exercising any Right under the Credit Documents impairs that Right or is a waiver thereof or any acquiescence therein, nor will any single or partial exercise of any Right preclude other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other Right under the Credit Documents or otherwise.

SECTION 12.5. CUMULATIVE RIGHTS.

All Rights available to the Administrative Agent, the Required Lenders and the Lenders under the Credit Documents are cumulative of and in addition to all other Rights granted to the Administrative Agent, the Required Lenders and the Lenders at law or in equity, whether or not the Obligations are due and payable and whether or not the Administrative Agent, the Required Lenders or the Lenders have instituted any suit for collection, foreclosure or other action in connection with the Credit Documents.

SECTION 12.6. APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS.

Any and all proceeds ever received by the Administrative Agent or the Lenders from the exercise of any Rights pertaining to the Obligations shall be applied to the Obligations according to Section 3.11.

SECTION 12.7. EXPENDITURES BY LENDERS.

Any costs and reasonable expenses spent or incurred by the Administrative Agent or any Lender in the exercise of any Right under any Credit Document shall be payable by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent within ten Business Days after such Person made demand for payment of such amount from Borrower, accompanied by copies of supporting invoices or statements (if any), shall become part of the Obligations and shall bear interest at the Default Rate from the date spent until the date repaid.

SECTION 12.8. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.

Neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender shall be liable to any Company for any amounts representing indirect, special or consequential damages suffered by any Company, except where such amounts are based substantially on willful misconduct by the Administrative Agent or such Lender, but then only to the extent any damages resulting from such willful misconduct are covered by the Administrative Agent's or that the Lender's fidelity bond or other insurance.

ARTICLE XIII ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND LENDERS

SECTION 13.1. THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT.

- (a) APPOINTMENT. Each Lender appoints the Administrative Agent (including, without limitation, each successor Administrative Agent in accordance with this Section 13.1) as its nominee and agent to act in its name and on its behalf (and the Administrative Agent and each such successor accepts that appointment): (i) To act as its nominee and on its behalf in and under all Credit Documents; (ii) to arrange the means whereby its funds are to be made available to the Borrower under the Credit Documents; (iii) to take any action that it properly requests under the Credit Documents (subject to the concurrence of other Lenders as may be required under the Credit Documents); (iv) to receive all documents and items to be furnished to it under the Credit Documents; (v) to be the secured party, mortgagee, beneficiary, recipient and similar party in respect of any collateral for the benefit of the Lenders (at any time an Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing); (vi) to promptly distribute to it all material information, requests, documents and items received from any Company under the Credit Documents; (vii) to promptly distribute to it its ratable part of each payment or prepayment (whether voluntary, as proceeds of collateral upon or after foreclosure, as proceeds of insurance thereon or otherwise) in accordance with the terms of the Credit Documents; and (viii) to deliver to the appropriate Persons requests, demands, approvals and consents received from it. The Administrative Agent, however, may not be required to take any action that exposes it to personal liability or that is contrary to any Credit Document or applicable Legal Requirement.
- (b) SUCCESSOR. The Administrative Agent may, subject (at any time no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing) to the Borrower's prior written consent that may not be unreasonably withheld, assign all of its Rights and obligations as the Administrative Agent under the Credit Documents to any of its Affiliates, which Affiliate shall then be the successor Administrative Agent under the Credit Documents. The Administrative Agent may also, upon 30 days' prior notice to the Borrower, voluntarily resign. If the initial or any successor Administrative Agent ever ceases to be a party to this Agreement or if the initial or any successor Administrative Agent ever resigns, then the Required Lenders shall (which, if no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing, is subject to the Borrower's approval that may not be unreasonably withheld) appoint the successor Administrative Agent from among the Lenders (other than the resigning Administrative Agent). If the Required Lenders fail to appoint a successor Administrative Agent within 30 days after the resigning Administrative Agent has given notice of resignation, then the resigning Administrative Agent may, on behalf of the Lenders, upon 30 days prior notice to the Borrower, appoint a successor

Administrative Agent, subject (at any time no Event of Default or Potential Default has occurred and is continuing) to the Borrower's prior written consent that may not be unreasonably withheld, which must be a commercial bank having a combined capital and surplus of at least \$1,000,000,000 (as shown on its most recently published statement of condition). Upon its acceptance of appointment as successor Administrative Agent, the successor Administrative Agent shall succeed to and become vested with all of the Rights of the prior Administrative Agent, and the prior Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations as Administrative Agent under the Credit Documents, and each Lender shall execute the documents that any Lender, the resigning Administrative Agent or the successor Administrative Agent reasonably requests to reflect the change. After any Administrative Agent's resignation as the Administrative Agent under the Credit Documents, the provisions of this section inure to its benefit as to any actions taken or not taken by it while it was the Administrative Agent under the Credit Documents.

(c) RIGHTS AS LENDER. The Administrative Agent, in its capacity as a Lender, has the same Rights under the Credit Documents as any other Lender and may exercise those Rights as if it were not acting as the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent's resignation or removal does not impair or otherwise affect any Rights that it has or may have in its capacity as an individual Lender. Each Lender and the Borrower agree that the Administrative Agent is not a fiduciary for the Lenders or the Borrower but is simply acting in the capacity described in this Agreement to alleviate administrative burdens for the Borrower and the Lenders, that the Administrative Agent has no duties or responsibilities to the Lenders or the Borrower except those expressly set forth in the Credit Documents, and that the Administrative Agent in its capacity as a Lender has the same Rights as any other Lender.

(d) OTHER ACTIVITIES. The Administrative Agent or any Lender may now or in the future be engaged in one or more loan, letter of credit, leasing or other financing transactions with the Borrower, act as trustee or depositary for the Borrower or otherwise be engaged in other transactions with the Borrower (collectively, the "other activities") not the subject of the Credit Documents. Without limiting the Rights of the Lenders specifically set forth in the Credit Documents, neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender is responsible to account to the other Lenders for those other activities, and no Lender shall have any interest in any other Lender's activities, any present or future guaranties by or for the account of the Borrower that are not contemplated by or included in the Credit Documents, any present or future offset exercised by the Administrative Agent or any Lender in respect of those other activities, any present or future property taken as security for any of those other activities or any property now or hereafter in the Administrative Agent's or any other Lender's possession or control that may be or become security for the obligations of the Borrower arising under the Credit Documents by reason of the general description of indebtedness secured or of property contained in any other agreements, documents or instruments related to any of those other activities (but, if any payments in respect of those guaranties or that property or the proceeds thereof is applied by the Administrative Agent or any Lender to reduce the Obligations, then each Lender is entitled to share in the application as provided in the Credit Documents).

SECTION 13.2. EXPENSES.

Each Lender shall pay its Commitment Percentage of any reasonable expenses (including court costs, reasonable attorneys' fees and other costs of collection) incurred by the Administrative Agent or in connection with any of the Credit Documents if the Administrative Agent is not reimbursed from other sources within 30 days after incurrence. Each Lender is entitled to receive its Commitment Percentage of any reimbursement that it makes to the Administrative Agent if the Administrative Agent is subsequently reimbursed from other sources.

SECTION 13.3. PROPORTIONATE ABSORPTION OF LOSSES.

Except as otherwise provided in the Credit Documents, nothing in the Credit Documents gives any Lender any advantage over any other Lender insofar as the Obligations are concerned or relieves any Lender from ratably absorbing any losses sustained with respect to the Obligations (except to the extent unilateral actions or inactions by any Lender result in the Borrower or any other obligor on the Obligations having any credit, allowance, setoff, defense or counterclaim solely with respect to all or any part of that Lender's part of the Obligations).

SECTION 13.4. DELEGATION OF DUTIES; RELIANCE.

The Lenders may perform any of their duties or exercise any of their Rights under the Credit Documents by or through the Administrative Agent, and the Lenders and the Administrative Agent may perform any of their duties or exercise any of their Rights under the Credit Documents by or through their respective Representatives. The Administrative Agent, the Lenders and their respective Representatives (a) are entitled to rely upon (and shall be protected in relying upon) any written or oral statement believed by it or them to be genuine and correct and to have been signed or made by the proper Person and, with respect to legal matters, upon opinion of counsel selected by the Administrative Agent or that Lender (but nothing in this clause (a) permits the Administrative Agent to rely on (i) oral statements if a writing is required by this Agreement or (ii) any other writing if a specific writing is required by this Agreement), (b) are entitled to deem and treat each Lender as the owner and holder of its portion of the Obligations for all purposes until written notice of the assignment or transfer is given to and received by the Administrative Agent (and any request, authorization, consent or approval of any Lender is conclusive and binding on each subsequent holder, assignee or transferee of or Participant in that Lender's portion of the Obligations until that notice is given and received), (c) are not deemed to have notice of the occurrence of an Event of Default unless a responsible officer of the Administrative Agent, who handles matters associated with the Credit Documents and transactions thereunder, has actual knowledge or the Administrative Agent has been notified by a Lender or the Borrower, and (d) are entitled to consult with legal counsel (including counsel for the Borrower), independent accountants, and other experts selected by the Administrative Agent and are not liable for any action taken or not taken in good faith by it in accordance with the advice of counsel, accountants or experts.

SECTION 13.5. LIMITATION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT'S LIABILITY.

- (a) EXCULPATION. Neither the Administrative Agent nor any of its Affiliates or Representatives will be liable to any Lender for any action taken or omitted to be taken by it or them under the Credit Documents in good faith and believed by it to be within the discretion or power conferred upon it or them by the Credit Documents or be responsible for the consequences of any error of judgment (except for gross negligence or willful misconduct), and neither the Administrative Agent nor any of its Affiliates or Representatives has a fiduciary relationship with any Lender by virtue of the Credit Documents (but nothing in this Agreement negates the obligation of the Administrative Agent to account for funds received by it for the account of any Lender).
- (b) INDEMNITY. Unless indemnified to its satisfaction against loss, cost, liability and expense, the Administrative Agent may not be compelled to do any act under the Credit Documents or to take any action toward the execution or enforcement of the powers thereby created or to prosecute or defend any suit in respect of the Credit Documents. If the Administrative Agent requests instructions from the Lenders or the Required Lenders, as the case may be, with respect to any act or action in connection with any Credit Document, the Administrative Agent is entitled to refrain (without incurring any liability to any Person by so refraining) from that act or action unless and until it has received instructions. In no event, however, may the Administrative Agent or any of its Representatives be required to take any action that it or they determine could incur for it or them criminal or onerous civil liability. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no Lender has any right of action against the Administrative Agent as a result of the Administrative Agent's acting or refraining from acting under this Agreement in accordance with instructions of the Required Lenders.
- (c) RELIANCE. The Administrative Agent is not responsible to any Lender or any Participant for, and each Lender represents and warrants that it has not relied upon the Administrative Agent in respect of, (i) the creditworthiness of any Company and the risks involved to such Lender, (ii) the effectiveness, enforceability, genuineness, validity or the due execution of any Credit Document, (iii) any representation, warranty, document, certificate, report or statement made therein or furnished thereunder or in connection therewith, (iv) the adequacy of any collateral now or hereafter securing the Obligations or the existence, priority or perfection of any Lien now or hereafter granted or purported to be granted on the collateral under any Credit Document, or (v) observation of or compliance with any of the terms, covenants or conditions of any Credit Document on the part of the General Partner or any Company. EACH LENDER AGREES TO INDEMNIFY THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES AND HOLD THEM HARMLESS FROM AND AGAINST (BUT LIMITED TO SUCH LENDER'S COMMITMENT PERCENTAGE OF) ANY AND ALL LIABILITIES, OBLIGATIONS, LOSSES, DAMAGES, PENALTIES, ACTIONS, JUDGMENTS, SUITS, COSTS, REASONABLE EXPENSES AND REASONABLE DISBURSEMENTS OF ANY KIND OR NATURE WHATSOEVER THAT MAY BE IMPOSED ON, ASSERTED AGAINST OR INCURRED BY THEM IN ANY WAY RELATING TO OR ARISING OUT OF THE CREDIT DOCUMENTS OR ANY ACTION TAKEN OR OMITTED BY THEM UNDER THE CREDIT DOCUMENTS IF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES ARE NOT REIMBURSED FOR SUCH AMOUNTS BY ANY COMPANY. ALTHOUGH THE

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE INDEMNIFIED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT BY THE LENDERS FOR ITS OR THEIR OWN ORDINARY NEGLIGENCE, THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES DO NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE INDEMNIFIED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT FOR ITS OR THEIR OWN GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR WILLIAM INTSCONDUCT.

SECTION 13.6. EVENT OF DEFAULT.

If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Lenders agree to promptly confer in order that the Required Lenders or the Lenders, as the case may be, may agree upon a course of action for the enforcement of the Rights of the Lenders. The Administrative Agent is entitled to act or refrain from taking any action (without incurring any liability to any Person for so acting or refraining) unless and until it has received instructions from the Required Lenders. In actions with respect to any Company's property, the Administrative Agent is acting for the ratable benefit of each Lender.

SECTION 13.7. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.

No Lender or any Participant will incur any liability to any other Lender or Participant except for acts or omissions in bad faith, and neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender or Participant will incur any liability to any other Person for any act or omission of any other Lender or any Participant.

SECTION 13.8. OTHER AGENTS.

SunTrust Equitable Securities Corporation is named on the cover page as "Sole Lead Arranger" but does not, in such capacity, and nor do the entities listed as "Co-Syndication Agents" or "Co-Documentation Agents", assume any responsibility or obligation under this Agreement for syndication, documentation, servicing, enforcement or collection of any part of the Obligations, nor any other duties, as agent for the Lenders.

SECTION 13.9. RELATIONSHIP OF LENDERS.

The Credit Documents do not create a partnership or joint venture among the Administrative Agent and the Lenders or among the Lenders.

SECTION 13.10. BENEFITS OF AGREEMENT.

None of the provisions of this Article XIII inure to the benefit of any Company or any other Person except the Administrative Agent and the Lenders. Therefore, no Company or any other Person is responsible or liable for, entitled to rely upon or entitled to raise as a defense, in any manner whatsoever, the failure of the Administrative Agent or any Lender to comply with these provisions.

ARTICLE XIV MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 14.1. NONBUSINESS DAYS.

Any payment or action that is due under any Credit Document on a non-Business Day may be delayed until the next succeeding Business Day (but interest accrues on any payment until it is made). If, however, the payment concerns a LIBOR Rate Borrowing and if the next succeeding Business Day is in the next calendar month, then that payment must be made on the next preceding Business Day.

SECTION 14.2. COMMUNICATIONS.

Unless otherwise specified, any communication from one party to another under any Credit Document must be in writing (which may be by fax) to be effective and will be deemed to have been given (a) if by fax, when transmitted to the appropriate fax number (which, without affecting the date when deemed given, must be promptly confirmed by telephone) or (b) if by any other means, when actually delivered; provided, further, that any such communication to a Company from any Person that is not a Company shall be deemed made to that Company only if it is sent to the Borrower or, if other than the Borrower, to such Company in care of the Borrower. Until changed by notice under this Agreement, the address, fax number and telephone number for the Borrower and the Administrative Agent are stated beside their respective signatures to this Agreement and for each Lender are stated beside its name on Schedule 2.

SECTION 14.3. FORM AND NUMBER.

The form, substance and number of counterparts of each writing to be furnished under this Agreement must be satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower.

SECTION 14.4. EXCEPTIONS.

An exception to any Credit Document covenant or agreement does not permit violation of any other Credit Document covenant or agreement.

SECTION 14.5. SURVIVAL.

All Credit Document provisions survive all closings and are not affected by any investigation by any party.

SECTION 14.6. GOVERNING LAW.

Unless otherwise specified, each Credit Document shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York and the United States of America.

SECTION 14.7. INVALID PROVISIONS.

If any provision of a Credit Document is judicially determined to be unenforceable, then all other provisions of it remain enforceable. If the provision determined to be unenforceable is a

material part of that Credit Document, then, to the extent lawful, it shall be replaced by a judicially-construed provision that is enforceable but otherwise as similar in substance and content to the original provision as the context of it reasonably allows.

SECTION 14.8. AMENDMENTS, SUPPLEMENTS, WAIVERS, CONSENTS AND CONFLICTS.

- (a) ALL LENDERS. Any amendment or supplement to, or waiver or consent under, any Credit Document that purports to accomplish any of the following must be by a writing executed by the Borrower and executed (or approved in writing, as the case may be) by all the Lenders: (i) extends the due date for, decreases the amount or rate of calculation of or waives the late or non-payment of, any scheduled payment or mandatory prepayment of principal or interest of any of the Obligations or any fees payable ratably to the Lenders under the Credit Documents, except, in each case, any adjustments or reductions that are contemplated by any Credit Document; (ii) changes the definition of "Commitment", "Commitment Percentage", "Default Percentage" or "Required Lenders", (iii) increases any part of any Lender's Commitment; (iv) fully or partially releases or amends any Guaranty, except, in each case, as expressly provided by any Credit Document or as a result of a merger, consolidation or dissolution expressly permitted in the Credit Documents; (v) consents to any assignment by the Borrower under Section 14.10(a); or (vi) changes this clause (a) or any other matter specifically requiring the consent of all the Lenders under any Credit Document.
- (b) THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT. Any amendment or supplement to, or waiver or consent under, any Credit Document that purports to accomplish any of the following must be by a writing executed by the Borrower and executed (or approved in writing, as the case may be) by the Administrative Agent: (i) extends the due date for, decreases the amount or rate of calculation of, or waives the late or non-payment of, any fees payable to the Administrative Agent under any Credit Document, except, in each case, any adjustments or reductions that are contemplated by any Credit Document; (ii) increases the Administrative Agent's obligations beyond its agreements under any Credit Document; or (iii) changes this clause (b) or any other matter specifically requiring the consent of the Administrative Agent under any Credit Document.
- (c) THE REQUIRED LENDERS. Except as specified above (i) the provisions of this Agreement may be amended and supplemented, and waivers and consents under it may be given, in writing executed by the Borrower, the Required Lenders and the Administrative Agent, if applicable, and otherwise supplemented only by documents delivered in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement, and (ii) each other Credit Document may only be amended and supplemented, and waivers and consents under it may be given, in a writing executed by the parties to that Credit Document that is also executed or approved by the Required Lenders and the Administrative Agent, if applicable, and otherwise supplemented only by documents delivered in accordance with the express terms of that other Credit Document.
- (d) WAIVERS. No course of dealing or any failure or delay by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any of their respective Representatives with respect to exercising any Right of the Administrative Agent or any Lender under any Credit Document operates as a waiver of that Right. A waiver must be in writing and signed by the parties otherwise required by this

Section 14.8 to be effective and will be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose for which it is given.

(e) CONFLICTS. Although this Agreement and other Credit Documents may contain additional and different terms and provisions, any conflict or ambiguity between the express terms and provisions of this Agreement and express terms and provisions in any other Credit Document is controlled by the express terms and provisions of this Agreement.

SECTION 14.9. COUNTERPARTS.

Any Credit Document may be executed in a number of identical counterparts (including, at the Administrative Agent's discretion, counterparts or signature pages executed and transmitted by fax) with the same effect as if all signatories had signed the same document. All counterparts must be construed together to constitute one and the same instrument. Certain parties to this Agreement may execute multiple signature pages to this Agreement as well as one or more complete counterparts of it, and the Borrower and the Administrative Agent are authorized to execute, where applicable, those separate signature pages and insert them, along with signature pages of other parties to this Agreement, into one or more complete counterparts of this Agreement that contain signatures of all parties to it.

SECTION 14.10. PARTIES.

- (a) PARTIES AND BENEFICIARIES. Each Credit Document binds and inures to the parties to it and each of their respective successors and permitted assigns. Only those Persons may rely upon or raise any defense about this Agreement. No Company may assign or transfer any Rights or obligations under any Credit Document without first obtaining the consent of all the Lenders and any purported assignment or transfer without the consent of all the Lenders.
- (b) RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES. The relationship between (x) each Lender and (y) each Company is that of creditor/secured party and obligor, respectively. Financial covenant and reporting provisions in the Credit Documents are intended solely for the benefit of each Lender to protect its interest as a creditor/secured party. Nothing in the Credit Documents may be construed as (i) permitting or obligating any Lender to act as a financial or business advisor or consultant to any Company, (ii) permitting or obligating any Lender to control any Company or conduct its operations, (iii) creating any fiduciary obligation of any Lender to any Company, or (iv) creating any joint venture, agency or other relationship between the parties except as expressly specified in the Credit Documents.
- (c) PARTICIPATIONS. Any Lender may (subject to the provisions of this section, in accordance with applicable Legal Requirement, in the ordinary course of its business, at any time, and with notice to the Borrower) sell to one or more Persons (each a "PARTICIPANT") participating interests in its portion of the Obligations so long as the minimum amount of such participating interest is \$5,000,000. The selling Lender remains a "Lender" under the Credit Documents, the Participant does not become a "Lender" under the Credit Documents, and the selling Lender's obligations under the Credit Documents remain unchanged. The selling Lender remains solely responsible for the performance of its obligations and remains the holder of its share of the Borrowings for all purposes under the Credit Documents. The Borrower and the

Administrative Agent shall continue to deal solely and directly with the selling Lender in connection with that Lender's Rights and obligations under the Credit Documents, and each Lender must retain the sole right and responsibility to enforce due obligations of the Companies. Participants have no Rights under the Credit Documents except as provided in the except clause of the last sentence of this Section 14.10(c). Subject to the following, each Lender may obtain (on behalf of its Participants) the benefits of Article 3 with respect to all participations in its part of the Obligations outstanding from time to time so long as the Borrower is not obligated to pay any amount in excess of the amount that would be due to that Lender under Article 3 calculated as though no participations have been made. No Lender may sell any participating interest under which the Participant has any Rights to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any Credit Document except as to matters in Section 14.8(a)(i) and (ii).

(d) ASSIGNMENTS. Each Lender may make assignments to any Federal Reserve Bank, provided that any related costs, fees and expenses incurred by such Lender in connection with such assignment or the re-assignment back to it free of any interests of the Federal Reserve Bank, shall be for the sole account of Lender. Each Lender may also assign to one or more assignees (each an "ASSIGNEE") all or any part of its Rights and obligations under the Credit Documents so long as (i) the assignor Lender and Assignee execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower for their consent and acceptance (that may not be unreasonably withheld in any instance and is not required by the Borrower if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing) an assignment and assumption agreement in substantially the form of Exhibit E (an "ASSIGNMENT") and pay to the Administrative Agent a processing fee of \$1,000 (which payment obligation is the sole liability, joint and several, of that Lender and Assignee), (ii) the assignment must be for a minimum total Commitment of \$5,000,000, and, if the assignor Lender retains any Commitment, it must be a minimum total Commitment of \$10,000,000, and (iii) the conditions for that assignment set forth in the applicable Assignment are satisfied. The Effective Date in each Assignment must (unless a shorter period is agreed to by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent) be at least five Business Days after it is executed and delivered by the assignor Lender and the Assignee to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower for acceptance. Once such Assignment is accepted by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, and subject to all of the following occurring, then, on and after the Effective Date stated in it (A) the Assignee automatically shall become a party to this Agreement and, to the extent provided in that Assignment, shall have the Rights and obligations of a Lender under the Credit Documents, (B) in the case of an Assignment covering all of the remaining portion of the assignor Lender's Rights and obligations under the Credit Documents, the assignor Lender shall cease to be a party to the Credit Documents, (C) the Borrower shall execute and deliver to the assignor Lender and the Assignee the appropriate Notes in accordance with this Agreement following the transfer, (D) upon delivery of the Notes under clause (C) the assignor Lender shall return to the Borrower all Notes previously delivered to that Lender under this Agreement, and (E) Schedule 2 shall be automatically amended to reflect the name, address, telecopy number and Commitment of the Assignee and the remaining Commitment (if any) of the assignor Lender, and the Administrative Agent shall prepare and circulate to the Borrower and the Lenders an amended Schedule 2 reflecting those changes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Assignee may be recognized as a party to the Credit Documents (and the assignor Lender shall continue to be treated for all purposes as the party to the Credit Documents) with respect to the Rights and obligations assigned to that Assignee until the actions described in clauses (C) and (D) have occurred. The Obligation is registered on the books of the Borrower as to both principal and any

stated interest, and transfers of (as opposed to participations in) principal of and interest on the Obligations may be made only in accordance with this Section.

SECTION 14.11. VENUE, SERVICE OF PROCESS AND JURY TRIAL.

THE BORROWER IN EACH CASE FOR ITSELF AND ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, IRREVOCABLY (A) SUBMITS TO THE NONEXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE AND FEDERAL COURTS IN NEW YORK, (B) WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT LAWFUL, ANY OBJECTION THAT IT MAY NOW OR IN THE FUTURE HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY LITIGATION ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH ANY CREDIT DOCUMENT AND THE OBLIGATIONS BROUGHT IN ANY STATE COURT IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OR IN ANY UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK, (C) WAIVES ANY CLAIMS THAT ANY LITIGATION BROUGHT IN ANY OF THE FOREGOING COURTS HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN AN INCONVENIENT FORUM, (D) CONSENTS TO THE SERVICE OF PROCESS OUT OF ANY OF THOSE COURTS IN ANY LITIGATION BY THE MAILING OF COPIES OF THAT PROCESS BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, POSTAGE PREPAID, BY HAND DELIVERY OR BY DELIVERY BY A NATIONALLY-RECOGNIZED COURIER SERVICE, AND SERVICE SHALL BE DEEMED COMPLETE UPON DELIVERY OF THE LEGAL PROCESS AT ITS ADDRESS FOR PURPOSES OF THIS AGREEMENT, (E) AGREES THAT ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING AGAINST ANY PARTY TO ANY CREDIT DOCUMENT ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE CREDIT DOCUMENTS OR THE OBLIGATIONS MAY BE BROUGHT IN ONE OF THE FOREGOING COURTS, AND (F) IRREVOCABLY WAIVES TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW ITS RESPECTIVE RIGHTS TO A JURY TRIAL OF ANY CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION BASED UPON OR ARISING OUT OF ANY CREDIT DOCUMENT. The scope of each of the foregoing waivers is intended to be all encompassing of any and all disputes that may be filed in any court and that relate to the subject matter of this transaction, including, without limitation, contract claims, tort claims, breach of duty claims and all other common law and statutory claims. THE BORROWER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THESE WAIVERS ARE A MATERIAL INDUCEMENT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT'S AND EACH LENDER'S AGREEMENT TO ENTER INTO A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP, THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND EACH LENDER HAS ALREADY RELIED ON THESE WAIVERS IN ENTERING INTO THIS AGREEMENT, AND THAT ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND EACH LENDER WILL CONTINUE TO RELY ON EACH OF THESE WAIVERS IN RELATED FUTURE DEALINGS. THE BORROWER FURTHER WARRANTS AND REPRESENTS THAT IT HAS REVIEWED THESE WAIVERS WITH ITS LEGAL COUNSEL, AND THAT IT KNOWINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY AGREES TO EACH WAIVER FOLLOWING CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL. The waivers in this section are irrevocable, meaning that they may not be modified either orally or in writing, and these waivers apply to any future renewals, extensions, amendments, modifications or replacements in respect of the applicable Credit Document. In connection with any Litigation, this Agreement may be filed as a written consent to a trial by the court.

SECTION 14.12. NON-RECOURSE TO THE GENERAL PARTNER.

Neither the General Partner nor any director, officer, employee, stockholder, member, manager or agent of the General Partner shall have any liability for any obligations of the Borrower or any other Company under this Agreement or any other Credit Document or for any claim based on, in respect of or by reason of, such obligations or their creation, including any liability based upon or arising by operation of law as a result of, the status or capacity of the General Partner as the "general partner" of the Borrower or any other Company. By executing this Agreement, the Administrative Agent and each Lender expressly waives and releases all such liability.

SECTION 14.13. CONFIDENTIALITY.

The Administrative Agent and each Lender agrees (on behalf of itself and each of its Affiliates, and its and each of their respective Representatives) to keep and maintain any non-public information supplied to it by or on behalf of any Company which is identified as being confidential and shall not use any such information for any purpose other than in connection with the administration or enforcement of this transaction. However, nothing herein shall limit the disclosure of any such information (a) to the extent required by Legal Requirement, (b) to counsel of the Administrative Agent or any Lender in connection with the transactions provided for in this Agreement, (c) to bank examiners, auditors and accountants, or (d) any Assignee or Participant (or prospective Assignee or Participant) so long as such Assignee or Participant (or prospective Assignee or Participant) first enters into a confidentiality agreement with the Administrative Agent or such Lender.

SECTION 14.14. ENTIRETY.

THE CREDIT DOCUMENTS REPRESENT THE FINAL AGREEMENT AMONG THE BORROWER, THE LENDERS AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT WITH RESPECT TO SUBJECT MATTER SET FORTH THEREIN AND MAY NOT BE CONTRADICTED BY EVIDENCE OF PRIOR, CONTEMPORANEOUS OR SUBSEQUENT ORAL AGREEMENTS OF THE PARTIES. THERE ARE NO UNWRITTEN ORAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

EXECUTED as of the date first stated in this Credit Agreement.

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By /s/ Russell T. Clingman

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