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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM S-4 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

MOHAWK INDUSTRIES, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

organization)

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or Code Number)

52-1604305
(I.R.S.

Employer Identification

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this registration statement.

If the securities being registered on this Form are being offered in connection with the formation of a holding company and there is compliance with General Instruction G, check the following box. []

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. []

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. []

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered		Proposed Maximum Offering Price per Note(1)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(1)	Amount of Registration Fee(2)
6.50% Notes due 2007, Series C	\$300,000,000	100%	\$300,000,000	\$27,600
7.20% Notes due 2012, Series D	\$400,000,000	100%	\$ 400,000,000	\$ 36,800

(1) Estimated solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(f) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, based upon the book value (aggregate outstanding principal amount) of such securities.

(2) Calculated by multiplying the aggregate offering amount by .000092

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED APRIL 22, 2002

PROSPECTUS

[LOGO] MOHAWK INDUSTRIES, INC.

Offer to Exchange \$300,000,000 of Its 6.50% Notes Due 2007, Series C, and \$400,000,000 of Its 7.20% Notes Due 2012, Series D, Registered under the Securities Act, for \$300,000,000 of Its Outstanding Unregistered 6.50% Notes Due 2007, Series A and \$400,000,000 of Its Outstanding Unregistered 7.20% Notes Due 2012, Series B

This exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m.,
New York City time, on , 2002, unless extended.

- . We are offering to exchange \$300 million aggregate principal amount of registered 6.50% notes due April 15, 2007, Series C and \$400 million aggregate principal amount of registered 7.20% notes due April 15, 2012, Series D, registered under the Securities Act of 1933, which are collectively referred to in this prospectus as the new notes, for all \$300 million aggregate principal amount of outstanding unregistered 6.50% notes due April 15, 2007, Series A and all \$400 million aggregate principal amount of outstanding unregistered 7.20% notes due April 15, 2012, Series B, which are collectively referred to in this prospectus as the old notes. We refer to the new notes and the old notes collectively as the notes.
- . The terms of the new notes will be substantially identical to the old notes that we issued on April 2, 2002, except that the new notes will be registered under the Securities Act and will not be subject to transfer restrictions or registration rights. The old notes were issued in reliance upon an available exemption from the registration requirements of the

Securities Act.

- . We will pay interest on the new notes on each April 15 and October 15, beginning October 15, 2002.
- . Subject to the terms of this exchange offer, we will exchange the new notes for all old notes that are validly tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration of this exchange offer. The exchange offer is not conditioned upon the exchange of a minimum principal amount of old notes.
- . The exchange of old notes for new notes in this exchange offer should not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes.
- . We will not receive any proceeds from this exchange offer.
- . We do not intend to list the new notes on any securities exchange.

Investing in the new notes involves risks. You should consider carefully the risk factors beginning on page 8 of this prospectus before tendering your old notes in this exchange offer.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of the new notes or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Each broker-dealer that receives new notes for its own account pursuant to this exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the new notes. The letter of transmittal states that by so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act. This prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of new notes received in exchange for old notes if the old notes were acquired by the broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. We have agreed that, starting on the date we issue the new notes and ending no later than the close of business on the date which is 180 days after completion of this exchange offer, we will make this prospectus available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any resale. See "Plan of Distribution."

The date of this prospectus is , 2002

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

You should rely only on the information set forth in this prospectus and incorporated by reference in this prospectus. We have not authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus is accurate only as of the date on the front cover of this prospectus and that the information

incorporated by reference in this prospectus is accurate only as of its date. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since the date of any such information.

We are not making this exchange offer to, and we will not accept surrenders for exchange from, holders of old notes in any jurisdiction in which this exchange offer or the acceptance of this exchange offer would violate the securities or other laws of that jurisdiction.

Unless the context otherwise requires, as used in this prospectus:

- the terms "Mohawk," "our," and "we" refer to the combined entities of Mohawk Industries, Inc. and its subsidiaries;
- . the term "old notes" refers to the 6.50% notes due 2007, Series A and the 7.20% notes due 2012, Series B that we issued on April 2, 2002;
- . the term "new notes" refers to the 6.50% notes due 2007, Series C and the 7.20% notes due 2012, Series D that we registered under the Securities Act and that we are offering in exchange for the old notes; and
- . the term "notes" refers to the old notes and the new notes, collectively.

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WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. In accordance with the Exchange Act, we file reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. The reports, proxy statements and other information can be inspected and copied at the public reference facilities that the SEC maintains at Room 1024, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, and at the SEC's regional office located at Suite 900, 175 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois 60604. Copies of these materials can be obtained at prescribed rates from the Public Reference Section of the SEC at the principal offices of the SEC, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC maintains an Internet site at http://www.sec.gov that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC, including Mohawk. Our SEC filings are also available at the office of the New York Stock Exchange, 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005.

We "incorporate by reference" in this prospectus the information filed by us with the SEC, which means that we disclose important information to you by referring to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is an important part of this prospectus and information that we subsequently file with the SEC will automatically update and supercede the information in this prospectus and in our other filings with the SEC. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below, which we have already filed with the SEC, and any future filings we make with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act until the offering of the new notes contemplated by this prospectus is terminated:

- . Mohawk's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001; and
- . Mohawk's Current Reports on Form 8-K dated February 7, February 8, March 19, March 20, and April 15, 2002.

You may request a copy of these filings, other than an exhibit to a filing, unless that exhibit is specifically incorporated by reference into the filing, at no cost, and a copy of the indenture and the exchange and registration rights agreement by writing or calling us at the following address:

Mohawk Industries, Inc. Attn: Jerry L. Melton 160 S. Industrial Blvd. Calhoun, Georgia 30703-7002 (706) 629-7721

We have agreed that, if we are not subject to the informational requirements

of Sections 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act at any time while the old notes constitute "restricted securities" within the meaning of the Securities Act, we will furnish to holders and beneficial owners of the old notes and to prospective purchasers designated by such holders the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act to permit compliance with Rule 144A in connection with resales of the old notes.

If you would like to request documents, please do so no later than , 2002 in order to receive the documents before this exchange offer expires on , 2002.

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Information contained in this prospectus supplements, modifies or supersedes, as applicable, the information contained in earlier-dated documents incorporated by reference. Information in documents that we file with the SEC after the date of this prospectus will automatically update and supersede information in this prospectus or in earlier-dated documents incorporated by reference.

If we have referred in this prospectus to any contracts, agreements or other documents and have incorporated any of those contracts, agreements or documents in this prospectus or have filed them as exhibits to the registration statement, you should read the relevant document for a more complete understanding of the document or matter involved.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus and the information incorporated by reference in this prospectus contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, particularly those statements regarding the effects of the recently completed acquisition of Dal-Tile International Inc., and those preceded by, followed by, or that otherwise include, the words "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "estimates," or similar expressions. For those statements, we claim the protection of the safe harbor for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements relating to expectations about future results or events are based upon information available to us as of the date of this prospectus, and we assume no obligation to update any of these statements. The forward-looking statements are not guarantees of our future performance and actual results may vary materially from the results and expectations discussed. Risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to vary materially include, but are not limited to the following:

- . conditions in the financial markets;
- . the successful integration of Dal-Tile into our business;
- . declines in residential or commercial construction activity;
- increased competition from other carpet, rug, ceramic tile and floorcovering manufacturers;
- . our ability to compete in the highly competitive floorcovering industry;
- changes in economic conditions generally in the carpet, rug, ceramic tile and other floorcovering markets served by us;
- . increases in raw material prices;
- . the timing and level of capital expenditures;
- the successful integration of acquisitions including the challenges inherent in diverting management attention and resources from other strategic matters and from operational matters for an extended period of time; and
- . the successful introduction of new products.

For additional information that could cause actual results to vary materially from those described in the forward-looking statements, you should refer to the information contained in "Risk Factors" and the periodic filings

made by Mohawk with the SEC under the Exchange Act. See "Where You Can Find More Information."

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This brief summary highlights selected information from this prospectus. It may not contain all the information that is important to you. For a more complete understanding of this exchange offer, our company, and the new notes, we encourage you to read this entire prospectus carefully, including the risk factors and the other documents referred to in this prospectus.

Mohawk

We are the leading producer of floorcovering products for residential and commercial applications in the United States. We are the second largest carpet and rug manufacturer, and a leading manufacturer, marketer and distributor of ceramic tile and natural stone, in the United States. On a pro forma basis after giving effect to our acquisition of Dal-Tile, the related financing transactions and our issuance of the old notes (collectively, "the Transactions"), we had annual net sales in 2001 of approximately \$4.5 billion.

Through our carpet and rug business, we design, manufacture and market carpet and rugs in a broad range of colors, textures and patterns and are a leading producer of woven and tufted broadloom carpet and rugs for principally residential applications. We position our products in all price ranges and emphasize quality, style, performance and service. We are widely recognized through our premier brand names, which include some of the most recognized names in the industry, such as "Mohawk," "Karastan," "Aladdin," and "Bigelow." We market and distribute our carpet and rug products through over 30,000 customers, which include independent carpet retailers, home centers, mass merchandisers, department stores, commercial dealers and commercial end users. Some products are also marketed through private labeling programs. Our carpet and rug operations are vertically integrated from the extrusion of resin and post-consumer plastics into fiber, to the conversion of fiber into yarn and to the manufacture and shipment of finished carpet and rugs.

We recently acquired a significant portion of our ceramic tile business through our acquisition of Dal-Tile. Through our ceramic tile business, we design, manufacture and market a broad line of wall, floor, quarry and mosaic tile products used in the residential and commercial markets for both new construction and remodeling. Most of our ceramic tile products are marketed under the "daltile" and "American Olean" brand names. Our ceramic tile business is organized into three strategic business units: company-operated sales and service centers, independent distributors and home center retailers. Our company-operated sales center unit maintains over 200 sales and service centers in the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico. Our independent distributor unit distributes the American Olean brand through approximately 200 independent distributor locations and five company-operated sales and service centers serving a variety of residential and commercial customers. Our home center retailer unit supplies products to more than 2,000 home center retail outlets. Each business unit has a dedicated sales force supporting that unit. Additionally, we have showroom and design centers in Atlanta, Georgia and Dallas, Texas, where customers of local builders, remodelers, architects, designers and contractors may view and select ceramic tile and natural stone for their building projects.

Our principal executive offices are located at 160 S. Industrial Boulevard, Calhoun, Georgia 30703-7002. Our telephone number at that address is (706) 629-7721.

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Summary Selected Financial Data

The following table sets forth the selected financial data of Mohawk for the periods indicated, which information is derived from the historical consolidated financial statements of Mohawk for these periods. On July 23, 1997, Mohawk acquired certain assets of Diamond Rug & Carpet Mills, Inc. and other assets owned by Diamond's principal shareholders using the purchase

method of accounting. On November 12, 1998, Mohawk acquired all of the outstanding capital stock of World Carpets, Inc. in exchange for approximately 4.9 million shares of Mohawk's common stock in a transaction recorded using the pooling-of-interests method of accounting. On January 29, 1999, Mohawk acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of Image Industries, Inc. The acquisition was recorded using the purchase method of accounting. On March 9, 1999, Mohawk acquired all of the outstanding capital stock of Durkan Patterned Carpets, Inc. in exchange for approximately 3.1 million shares of Mohawk's common stock in a transaction recorded using the pooling-of-interests method of accounting. On November 14, 2000, Mohawk acquired certain fixed assets and inventory of Crown Crafts, Inc. The acquisition was accounted for using the purchase method of accounting. All financial data have been restated to include the accounts and results of operations of World and Durkan. The selected financial data should be read together with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and Mohawk's consolidated financial statements and notes thereto, both of which are incorporated herein by reference.

	At or for the Years Ended December 31,				31,
	1997	1998			2001
		thousands,			ta)
Statement of earnings data: Net sales Cost of sales					
Gross profit Selling, general and administrative expenses Carrying value reduction of property, plant and equipment and other		681,287 432,191			
assets (a)	5,500 2,600			7,000 	
Operating income		246,196			
Interest expense Acquisition costs—World Merger (d) Other expense, net	36,474 338	31,023 17,700 2,667	32,632 2,266	38,044 4,442	29,787 5,954
	36,812	51,390		42,486	
Earnings before income taxes				267,629 105,030	
Net earnings		115,254		162,599	188,592
Basic earnings per share (e)	\$ 1.33	1.91	2.63	3.02	3.60
Weighted-average common shares outstanding (e)	59,962	60,393	59,730	53,769	52,418
Diluted earnings per share (e)		1.89			
Weighted-average common and dilutive potential common shares outstanding (e)	60,453	61,134	60,349	54,255	53,141

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Αt	or	for	the	Years	Ended	December	31,	
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1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	

(In thousands, except ratio data)

Balance sheet data:					
Working capital	\$ 389,378	438,474	560,057	427,192	449,361
Total assets	1,233,361	1,405,486	1,682,873	1,795,378	1,768,485
Long-term debt (including current portion)	402,854	377,089	596,065	589 , 828	308,433
Stockholders' equity	493,841	611,059	692,546	754,360	948,551
Other financial data:					
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges (f)	3.95	5.62	6.66	5.97	7.48

⁽a) During 1997, Mohawk recorded a charge of \$5.5 million arising from a revision in the estimated fair value of certain property, plant and equipment held for sale based on current appraisals and other market information related to a mill closing in 1995. During 1998, Mohawk recorded

- a charge of \$2.9 million for the write-down of assets to be disposed of relating to the acquisition of World.
- (b) Mohawk recorded a one-time charge of \$7.0 million in 2000, reflecting the settlement of two class action lawsuits.
- (c) A charge of \$2.6 million was recorded in 1997, for income tax reimbursements to be made to certain executives related to the exercise of stock options granted in 1988 and 1989 in connection with Mohawk's 1988 leveraged buyout.
- (d) Mohawk recorded a one-time charge of \$17.7 million in 1998 for transaction expenses related to the World merger.
- (e) The board of directors declared a 3-for-2 stock split on October 23, 1997, which was paid on December 4, 1997 to holders of record on November 4, 1997. Earnings per share and weighted-average common share data have been restated to reflect the split.
- (f) Earnings are defined as earnings before income taxes plus fixed charges less capitalized interest. Fixed charges are defined as interest expensed and capitalized plus interest within rent expense, which is estimated to be one-third of rent expense.

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This Exchange Offer

Background...... We issued the old notes in a private offering on April 2, 2002 that was exempt from the SEC's registration requirements. In connection with that private offering, we entered into an exchange and registration rights agreement in which we agreed, among other things, to deliver this prospectus to you and to complete an exchange offer for the old notes.

General...... We are offering to exchange the new notes for a like principal amount of old notes. Old notes may be tendered, and new notes will be issued, only in integral multiples of \$1,000 principal amount. Currently, there are \$300 million in principal amount of 6.50% notes due 2007, Series A outstanding and \$400 million in principal amount of 7.20% notes due 2012, Series B outstanding.

> The terms of the new notes are identical in all material respects to the terms of the old notes except that the new notes are registered under the Securities Act and generally are not subject to transfer restrictions or registration rights.

Resale of new notes...... We believe that you can resell and transfer your new notes without registering them under the Securities Act and delivering a prospectus if:

- you are acquiring the new notes in the ordinary course of your business for investment purposes;
- . you are not engaged in, do not intend to engage in and have no arrangement or understanding with anyone to participate in a distribution of the new notes (as defined in the Securities Act); and
- . you are not an affiliate of Mohawk as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

Our belief is based on interpretations expressed in some of the SEC's no-action letters to other issuers in similar exchange offers. However, we cannot guarantee that the SEC would make a similar decision about this exchange offer. If our belief is wrong, or if you cannot truthfully make the necessary representations, and you transfer any new note received in this exchange offer without meeting the registration and

prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act or without an exemption from these requirements, then you could incur liability under the Securities Act. We are not indemnifying you for any liability that you may incur under the Securities Act.

If you are a broker-dealer that will receive new notes for your own account in exchange for old notes that you acquired as a result of your market-making or other trading activities, you will be required to acknowledge in the letter of transmittal that you will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the new notes. By so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will

not be deemed to admit that it is an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act. A broker-dealer may use this prospectus for an offer to resell or otherwise transfer the new notes. We have agreed that, for a period of up to 180 days after the completion of this exchange offer, we will make this prospectus and any amendment or supplement to this prospectus available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any resale.

Consequences of failure to

exchange...... Old notes that are not tendered in the exchange offer or that are not accepted for exchange will continue to bear legends restricting their transfer. You will not be able to offer or sell the old notes unless:

- . each offer or sale is made pursuant to an exemption from the requirements of the Securities Act; or
- . the old notes are registered under the Securities Act.

After the exchange offer is closed, we will no longer have an obligation to register the old notes except in some limited circumstances. See "Risk Factors--Risks Related to the Notes and the Exchange Offer--If you fail to properly exchange your old notes for new notes, you will continue to hold notes subject to transfer restrictions, and the liquidity of the trading market for any untendered old notes may be substantially limited."

Expiration date...... This exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on , 2002, unless we extend it. We do not currently intend to extend the expiration date.

Withdrawal of tenders...... You may withdraw the surrender of your old notes at any time prior to the expiration date.

Conditions to this exchange

offer..... This exchange offer is subject to customary conditions, which we may assert or waive. See "This Exchange Offer--Conditions to this Exchange Offer."

Procedures for tendering.... If you wish to accept this exchange offer and your old notes are held by a custodial entity such as a bank, broker, dealer, trust company or other nominee, you must instruct the custodial

entity to tender your old notes on your behalf pursuant to the procedures of the custodial entity. If your old notes are registered in your name, you must complete, sign and date the accompanying letter of transmittal, or a facsimile of the letter of transmittal, according to the instructions contained in this prospectus and the letter of transmittal. You then must mail or otherwise deliver the letter of transmittal, or a facsimile of the letter of transmittal, together with the old notes and any other required documents, to the exchange agent at the address set forth on the cover page of the letter of transmittal. The blue letter of transmittal should be used to tender old notes due 2007 and the yellow letter of transmittal should be used to tender old notes due 2012.

Custodial entities that are participants in The Depository Trust Company, or DTC, must tender old notes through DTC's Automated

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Tender Offer Program, or ATOP. ATOP enables a custodial entity, and the beneficial owner on whose behalf the custodial entity is acting, to electronically agree to be bound by the letter of transmittal. A letter of transmittal need not accompany tenders effected through ATOP.

By tendering your old notes in either of these manners, you will make and agree to the representations that appear under "This Exchange Offer--Purpose and Effect of this Exchange Offer."

Closing...... The new notes will be issued in exchange for corresponding old notes in this exchange offer, if consummated, on the first business day following the expiration date of this exchange offer or as soon as practicable after that date.

Taxation...... The exchange of old notes for new notes in this exchange offer should not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes. See "Material United States Federal Income Tax Considerations."

Exchange agent...... Wachovia Bank, National Association is the exchange agent for this exchange offer. The address and telephone number of the exchange agent are set forth under the caption "This Exchange Offer--Exchange Agent."

The New Notes

The new notes have the same financial terms and covenants as the old notes, which are as follows:

Issuer..... Mohawk Industries, Inc.

Maturity...... April 15, 2007 for notes due 2007;
April 15, 2012 for notes due 2012.

will pay interest on the new notes on April 15 and October 15 of each year, beginning on October 15, 2002. Holders whose old notes are accepted for exchange will be deemed to have waived the right to receive any interest accrued on the old notes.

Ranking..... The new notes will be our senior unsecured obligations and will rank equally with all of our other existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness and senior to our subordinated indebtedness. The new notes will effectively rank junior to all secured indebtedness to the extent of such security and certain other liabilities of our subsidiaries. See "Description of the Notes."

Optional redemption...... We may redeem all or a portion of each series of the new notes from time to time at a price equal to the greater of:

- . 100% of the principal amount of the new notes to be redeemed; or
- . the sum of the present value of the remaining principal amount and interest on the new notes being redeemed, plus a make-whole premium, in each case plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date.

See "Description of the Notes--Optional Redemption."

Restrictive covenants...... The indenture governing the new notes restricts our ability to create liens, enter into sale and leaseback transactions and limits our ability to consolidate, merge or dispose of our assets substantially as an entirety.

Use of Proceeds...... We will not receive any proceeds from this exchange offer.

Governing Law...... The new notes and the indenture will be governed by the laws of the State of New York.

Trustee, Transfer Agent, and

Book-Entry Depository.... Wachovia Bank, National Association

Risk Factors

You should read the section entitled "Risk Factors," as well as the other cautionary statements throughout this prospectus, to ensure you understand the risks associated with tendering your old notes in this exchange offer and receiving new notes.

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RISK FACTORS

Before you tender your old notes, you should consider the following risk factors in addition to the other information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. Any of the following risks could harm our business and financial results and cause the value of the notes to decline, which in turn could cause you to lose all or part of your investment. The risks below are not the only ones facing our company. Additional risks not presently known to us or that we presently deem immaterial also may harm our business and financial results.

Risks Related to the Notes and the Exchange Offer

If you fail to properly exchange your old notes for new notes, you will continue to hold notes subject to transfer restrictions, and the liquidity of the trading market for any untendered old notes may be substantially limited.

We will only issue new notes in exchange for old notes that you timely and properly tender. You should allow sufficient time to ensure timely delivery of the old notes, and you should carefully follow the instructions on how to tender your old notes set forth under "This Exchange Offer--Procedures for Tendering" and in the letter of transmittal that accompanies this prospectus. Neither we nor the exchange agent are required to notify you of any defects or irregularities relating to your tender of old notes.

If you do not exchange your old notes for new notes in this exchange offer, the old notes you hold will continue to be subject to the existing transfer restrictions. In general, you may not offer or sell the old notes except under an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. We do not plan to register the old notes under the Securities Act. If you continue to hold any old notes after this exchange offer is completed, you may have trouble selling them because of these restrictions on transfer.

In addition, we anticipate that most holders of old notes will elect to participate in this exchange offer. Consequently, we expect that the liquidity of the market for the old notes after completion of this exchange offer may be substantially limited.

If an active trading market does not develop for the new notes, you may be unable to sell the new notes or to sell them at a price you deem sufficient.

The new notes will be new securities for which no established trading market currently exists. We do not intend to list the new notes on any securities exchange. Securities dealers who were the initial purchasers of the old notes have advised us that they intend to make a market in the new notes, but they are not obligated to do so and may discontinue market-making at any time without notice.

The liquidity of any market for the new notes will depend upon various factors, including:

- . the number of holders of the new notes;
- . the interest of securities dealers in making a market for the new notes;
- . the overall market for investment grade securities;
- . our financial performance and prospects; and
- . the prospects for companies in our industry generally.

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Even if a trading market develops, the new notes may trade at higher or lower prices than their principal amount or purchase price, depending on many factors, including:

- . prevailing interest rates;
- . the number of holders of the new notes;
- . the market for similar debt securities; and
- our financial performance.

Finally, if a large number of holders of old notes do not tender old notes or tender old notes improperly, only a limited amount of new notes would be outstanding after we complete this exchange offer, which could adversely affect the development and viability of a market for the new notes.

We are a holding company with no independent operations and, accordingly, will depend on the cash flow of our subsidiaries to satisfy our obligations under the notes.

We are a holding company with no independent operations, sources of income

or assets, other than our equity interests in our subsidiaries. Accordingly, we will depend on payments on intercompany loans to our subsidiaries or other distributions or payments to us by our subsidiaries to make payments on the notes. These subsidiaries are separate legal entities that have no obligation to pay any amounts due pursuant to the notes. Consequently, we cannot assure you that the amounts we receive from our subsidiaries will be sufficient to enable us to service our obligations under the notes.

Some holders who exchange old notes may be deemed to be underwriters.

If you exchange old notes in this exchange offer for the purpose of participating in a distribution of the new notes, you may be deemed to have received restricted securities. If so, you will be required to comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale transaction.

Risks Related to Our Company

Our debt level may limit our financial flexibility.

As of December 31, 2001, on a pro forma basis after giving effect to the Transactions, we had approximately \$1.3 billion of total debt and a total debt to total capitalization ratio of 41.9%. We may incur additional debt in the future, including in connection with other acquisitions. The level of our debt could have several important effects on our future operations, including, among others:

- an increased portion of our cash flow from operations will be dedicated to the payment of principal and interest on the debt and will not be available for other purposes;
- covenants in existing debt arrangements and covenants related to any debt we may incur in the future may require us to meet financial tests and limit our flexibility in planning for and reacting to changes in our business, including possible acquisition opportunities;
- our ability to obtain additional financing for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, general corporate and other purposes may be limited;
- . we may be at a competitive disadvantage to similar companies that have less $\mbox{debt;}$ and
- our vulnerability to adverse economic and industry conditions may increase.

The failure to integrate Mohawk and Dal-Tile successfully by managing the challenges of that integration may result in our not achieving the anticipated potential benefits of the merger.

We will face challenges in consolidating functions, integrating our organizations, procedures, operations and product lines in a timely and efficient manner and retaining key personnel.

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These challenges will result principally because, prior to the Transactions, the two companies:

- . maintained executive offices in different locations;
- manufactured and sold different types of products through different distribution channels;
- . conducted their businesses from various locations;
- . maintained different operating systems and software on different computer hardware; and
- . had different employment and compensation arrangements for their employees.

In addition, Dal-Tile has a significant manufacturing operation in Mexico

and, prior to the Transactions, we have not operated a manufacturing facility outside of the United States. As a result, the integration will be complex and will require additional attention from members of management. The diversion of management attention and any difficulties encountered in the transition and integration process could have a material adverse effect on our revenues, level of expenses and operating results.

Our industry is cyclical and prolonged declines in residential or commercial construction activity could have a material adverse effect on our business.

The U.S. floorcovering industry is highly dependent on residential and commercial construction activity, including new construction as well as remodeling. New construction activity and remodeling to a lesser degree, are cyclical in nature and a prolonged decline in residential or commercial construction activity could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Construction activity is significantly affected by numerous factors, all of which are beyond our control, including:

- . national and local economic conditions;
- interest rates;
- housing demand;
- . employment levels;
- . changes in disposable income;
- . financing availability;
- commercial rental vacancy rates;
- . federal and state income tax policies; and
- . consumer confidence.

The U.S. construction industry has experienced significant downturns in the past, which have adversely affected suppliers to the industry, including suppliers of floorcoverings. The industry could experience similar downturns in the future, which could have a negative impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We face intense competition in our industry, which could decrease demand for our products and could have a material adverse effect on our profitability.

The industry is highly competitive. We face competition from a large number of domestic and foreign manufacturers and independent distributors of floorcovering products. Some of our existing and potential competitors may be larger and have greater resources and access to capital than we do. Maintaining our competitive position may require us to make substantial investments in our product development efforts, manufacturing facilities, distribution network and sales and marketing activities. Competitive pressures may also result in decreased demand for our products and in the loss of market share. In addition, we face, and will continue to face, pressure on sales prices of our products from competitors, as well as from large customers. As a result of any of these factors, there could be a material adverse effect on our sales and profitability.

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A failure to identify suitable acquisition candidates, to complete acquisitions and to integrate successfully the acquired operations could have a material adverse effect on our business.

As part of our business strategy, we intend to pursue acquisitions of complementary businesses. Although we regularly evaluate acquisition opportunities, we may not be able to:

- . successfully identify suitable acquisition candidates;
- . obtain sufficient financing on acceptable terms to fund acquisitions;

- . complete acquisitions; or
- . profitably manage acquired businesses.

Acquired operations may not achieve levels of sales, operating income or productivity comparable to those of our existing operations, or otherwise perform as expected. Acquisitions may also involve a number of special risks, some or all of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition, including, among others:

- our inability to integrate operations, systems and procedures and to eliminate redundancies and excess costs effectively;
- . diversion of management's attention and resources; and
- . difficulty retaining and training acquired key personnel.

We may be unable to obtain raw materials on a timely basis, which could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Our business is dependent upon a continuous supply of raw materials from third party suppliers. The principal raw materials used in our manufacturing operations include: nylon fiber and polypropylene resin, which are used exclusively in our carpet and rug business; talc, clay, impure nepheline syenite, pure nepheline syenite and various glazes, including frit (ground glass), zircon and stains, which are used exclusively in our ceramic tile business; and other materials. We purchase all of our impure nepheline syenite requirements from Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company and all of our pure nepheline syenite requirements from Unimin Corporation. Unimin is the only major supplier of pure nepheline syenite in North America. An extended interruption in the supply of these or other raw materials used in our business or in the supply of suitable substitute materials would disrupt our operations, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We may be unable to pass on to our customers increases in the costs of raw materials and energy, which could have a material adverse effect on our profitability.

Significant increases in the costs of raw materials and natural gas used in the manufacture of our products could have a material adverse effect on our operating margins and our business, financial condition and results of operations. We purchase nylon fiber, polypropylene resin, talc, clay, impure nepheline syenite, pure nepheline syenite, frit, zircon, stains and other materials from third party suppliers. The cost of some of these materials, like nylon and polypropylene resin, is related to oil prices. We also purchase significant amounts of natural gas to supply the energy required in some of our production processes. The prices of these raw materials and of natural gas vary with market conditions. Although we generally attempt to pass on increases in the costs of raw materials and natural gas to our customers, our ability to do so is, to a large extent, dependent upon the rate and magnitude of any increase, competitive pressures and market conditions for our products. There have been in the past, and may be in the future, periods of time during which increases in these costs cannot be recovered. During such periods of time, there could be a material adverse effect on our profitability.

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We have been, and may in the future be, subject to claims and liabilities under environmental, health and safety laws and regulations, which could be significant.

Our operations are subject to various federal, state, local and foreign environmental, health and safety laws and regulations, including those governing air emissions, wastewater discharges, and the use, storage, treatment and disposal of hazardous materials. The applicable requirements under these laws are subject to amendment, to the imposition of new or additional requirements and to changing interpretations of agencies or courts. New or additional requirements could be imposed, and we could incur material expenditures to comply with new or existing regulations.

The nature of our operations and previous operations by others at real

property currently or formerly owned or operated by us and the disposal of waste at third party sites exposes us to the risk of claims under environmental, health and safety laws and regulations. We could incur material costs or liabilities in connection with such claims. We have been, and will continue to be, subject to these claims.

The discovery of presently unknown environmental conditions, changes in environmental, health, and safety laws and regulations, enforcement of existing or new requirements or other unanticipated events could give rise to expenditures and liabilities, including fines or penalties, that could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results or financial condition.

We rely on our Monterrey, Mexico plant for a significant portion of our ceramic tile manufacturing capacity and any disruption in the plant's operations could negatively affect our business.

Our Monterrey, Mexico manufacturing facility represents a significant portion of our total manufacturing capacity for ceramic tile. This facility contains five distinct manufacturing plants, three of which produce ceramic tile, one of which produces frit used in the production of manufactured tile and one of which produces refractories. Any disruption in the operations of this facility could result in a material adverse effect on our ceramic tile business and our operations as a whole.

Changes in international trade laws and in the business, political and regulatory environment in Mexico could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Our operations in Mexico include our Monterrey facility. Accordingly, an event that has a material adverse impact on our Mexican operations could have a material adverse effect on our operations as a whole. The business, regulatory and political environments in Mexico differ from those in the United States, and our Mexican operations are exposed to a number of inherent risks, including:

- changes in international trade laws, such as the North American Free Trade Agreement, or NAFTA, affecting our import and export activities in Mexico;
- changes in Mexican labor laws and regulations affecting our ability to hire and retain employees in Mexico;
- currency exchange restrictions and fluctuations in the value of foreign currency;
- potentially adverse tax consequences;
- . local laws concerning repatriation of profits;
- . political conditions in Mexico;
- . unexpected changes in the regulatory environment in Mexico; and
- . changes in general economic conditions in Mexico.

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Future exchange rate fluctuations or inflation could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

Our Mexican facility, which is considered an extension of our U.S. operations, primarily provides ceramic tile to our U.S. distribution network, and to a more limited extent, sells ceramic tile in Mexico. The facility has more peso-denominated expenses than revenues. This means that we realize a benefit when the peso devalues against the U.S. dollar, although this benefit may be offset by Mexican inflation. Any future increases in the Mexican inflation rate, which are not offset by devaluation of the peso, may negatively impact our results of operations. The Mexican peso has been and may in the future be, subject to significant fluctuations. To the extent that the peso appreciates against the U.S. dollar, there could be a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We could face increased competition as a result of the General Agreement on

Tariffs and Trade and the North American Free Trade Agreement.

The United States is party to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, or GATT. Under GATT, the United States currently imposes import duties on ceramic tile imported from countries outside North America at no more than 13%, to be reduced ratably to no less than 8.5% by 2004. Accordingly, as these duties decrease, GATT may stimulate competition from manufacturers from these countries, which now export, or may seek to export, ceramic tile to the United States. We are uncertain what effect GATT may have on our operations.

NAFTA was entered into by Canada, Mexico and the United States and over a transition period will remove most customs duties imposed on goods traded among the three countries. In addition, NAFTA will remove or limit many investment restrictions, liberalize trade in services, provide a specialized means for settlement of, and remedies for, trade disputes arising under its laws and will result in new laws and regulations to further these goals. Although NAFTA lowers the tariffs imposed on our ceramic tile manufactured in Mexico and sold in the United States, it may also stimulate competition in the United States and Canada from manufacturers located in Mexico, which could negatively affect our business.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

This exchange offer is intended to satisfy our obligations under the exchange and registration rights agreement we executed when we issued the old notes. We will not receive any cash proceeds from this exchange offer. In exchange for old notes that you tender pursuant to this exchange offer, you will receive new notes in like principal amount. The old notes that are surrendered in exchange for the new notes will be retired and canceled by us upon receipt and cannot be reissued. Accordingly, the issuance of the new notes under this exchange offer will not result in any change in our outstanding debt.

The net proceeds to us from the sale of the old notes on April 2, 2002 were approximately \$691 million. We used approximately \$601 million of the net proceeds to repay all amounts outstanding under our bridge credit facility used to finance a portion of the cash purchase price of our acquisition of Dal-Tile. We used approximately \$90 million of the net proceeds to repay outstanding indebtedness under our revolving credit facility. Borrowings under our revolving credit facility will mature on January 28, 2004 and currently bear interest at LIBOR plus 0.25%, which was equal to approximately 2.11% on April 22, 2002.

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THIS EXCHANGE OFFER

Purpose and Effect of this Exchange Offer

The new notes to be issued in this exchange offer will be exchanged for the old notes that we issued on April 2, 2002. At that time, we issued \$300 million of 6.50% notes due 2007 and \$400 million of 7.20% notes due 2012. We issued the old notes in reliance upon an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. Concurrently, the initial purchasers of the old notes resold the old notes to investors believed to be "qualified institutional buyers" in reliance upon the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A under the Securities Act and to non-U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance upon the exemption provided by Rule 903 or 904 of Regulation S of the Securities Act.

In connection with the issuance of the old notes, we entered into an exchange and registration rights agreement with the initial purchasers pursuant to which we agreed: $\[\]$

- to file with the SEC, on or prior to July 1, 2002, a registration statement under the Securities Act with respect to the issuance of the new notes in an exchange offer;
- . to use our reasonable best efforts to cause that registration statement to become effective under the Securities Act not later than September 27,

. to issue and exchange the new notes for all old notes validly tendered and not validly withdrawn prior to the expiration of the exchange offer.

We have filed a copy of the exchange and registration rights agreement as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

Based on interpretations by the staff of the SEC, as set forth in no-action letters issued to third parties, we believe that the new notes issued pursuant to this exchange offer may be offered for resale, resold or otherwise transferred by a holder under United States federal securities laws without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act, provided that:

- . the holder is acquiring the new notes in the ordinary course of business for investment purposes;
- the holder is not engaged in, does not intend to engage in and has no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of the new notes (within the meaning of the Securities Act);
- the holder is not a broker-dealer who purchased the old notes directly from us for resale pursuant to Rule 144A or any other available exemption under the Securities Act; and
- . the holder is not an "affiliate" of ours as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities $\mbox{Act.}$

If you wish to participate in this exchange offer, you must represent to us in the letter of transmittal or through the DTC's ATOP that the conditions above have been met. However, we do not intend to request the SEC to consider, and the SEC has not considered, this exchange offer in the context of a no-action letter, and we cannot assure you that the staff of the SEC would make a similar determination with respect to this exchange offer. Therefore, if you transfer any new note delivered to you in this exchange offer without delivering a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act or without an exemption from registration of your new notes from such requirements, you may incur liability under the Securities Act. We do not assume this liability or indemnify you against this liability, but we do not believe this liability would exist if the above conditions are met.

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If any holder is an affiliate of ours, or is engaged in or intends to engage in or has any arrangement or understanding with respect to the distribution of the new notes to be acquired pursuant to the exchange offer, that holder:

- may not rely on the applicable interpretations of the staff of the SEC;
 and
- . must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale transaction.

Each broker-dealer that receives new notes for its own account in exchange for old notes, where the old notes were acquired by the broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the new notes. See "Plan of Distribution."

Except as described above, this prospectus may not be used for an offer to resell, a resale or other transfer of new notes.

This exchange offer is not being made to, nor will we accept tenders for exchange from, holders of old notes in any jurisdiction in which the exchange offer or the acceptance of it would not be in compliance with the securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdiction.

Terms of the Exchange

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this exchange offer, we will accept any and all old notes validly tendered prior to 5:00 p.m., New York

time, on the expiration date. The date of acceptance for exchange of the old notes, and completion of the exchange offer, is the exchange date, which will be the first business day following the expiration date (unless extended as described in this document). We will issue, on or promptly after the exchange date, an aggregate principal amount of up to \$700 million of new notes, \$300 million of 6.50% notes due 2007 and \$400 million of 7.20% notes due 2012, for a like principal amount of old notes tendered and accepted in connection with this exchange offer. The new notes issued in connection with this exchange offer will be delivered on the earliest practicable date following the exchange date. Holders may tender some or all of their old notes in connection with this exchange offer but only in \$1,000 increments of principal amount.

The terms of the new notes are identical in all material respects to the terms of the old notes, except that the new notes have been registered under the Securities Act and are issued free from any transfer restrictions or any covenant regarding registration. The new notes will evidence the same debt as the old notes and will be issued under the same indenture and be entitled to the same benefits under that indenture as the old notes being exchanged. As of the date of this prospectus, \$300 million in aggregate principal amount of the old 6.50% notes due 2007 is outstanding and \$400 million in aggregate principal amount of the old 7.20% notes due 2012 is outstanding.

In connection with the issuance of the old notes, we arranged for the old notes originally purchased by qualified institutional buyers and any old notes sold in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act to be issued and transferable in book-entry form through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company, or DTC, acting as depositary. Except as described under "Description of the Notes--Form, Denominations, Book-Entry Procedures and Transfer," the new notes will be issued in the form of global notes registered in the name of DTC or its nominee and each beneficial owner's interest in the global notes will be transferable in book-entry form through DTC. See "Description of the Notes--Form, Denominations, Book-Entry Procedures and Transfer."

Holders of old notes do not have any appraisal or dissenters' rights in connection with this exchange offer. Old notes that are tendered but not accepted in connection with this exchange offer will remain outstanding and be entitled to the benefits of the indenture under which they were issued. However, some registration and other rights under the exchange and registration rights agreement will terminate, and holders of the old notes generally will not be entitled to any registration rights under the exchange and registration rights agreement, subject to limited exceptions.

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We will be considered to have accepted validly tendered old notes if and when we have given written notice to the exchange agent. The exchange agent will act as agent for the tendering holders for the purposes of receiving the new notes from us.

If any tendered old notes are not accepted for exchange because of an invalid tender, the occurrence of certain other events described in this prospectus or otherwise, we will return the old notes, without expense, to the tendering holder as promptly as possible after the expiration date.

Holders who tender old notes will not be required to pay brokerage commissions or fees or, subject to the instructions in the letter of transmittal, transfer taxes on the exchange of old notes in connection with this exchange offer. We will pay all charges and expenses, other than certain applicable taxes described below, in connection with this exchange offer. See "--Fees and Expenses" below.

Expiration Date; Extensions; Amendments

The expiration date for this exchange offer is 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on , 2002, unless extended by us, in our sole discretion, in which case the term "expiration date" for the exchange offer related to a particular series of old notes shall mean the latest date and time to which the exchange offer for such series is extended.

We reserve the right, in our sole discretion:

. to delay accepting any old notes;

- to extend this exchange offer with respect to either or both series of old notes;
- . to amend the terms of this exchange offer in any manner; and
- . to terminate this exchange offer with respect to either or both series of old notes

If we amend this exchange offer in a manner that we consider material, we will disclose the amendment by means of a prospectus supplement, and we will extend this exchange offer for a period of five to ten business days.

If we determine to make a public announcement of any delay, extension, amendment or termination of this exchange offer, we will do so by making a timely release through an appropriate news agency.

Interest on the New Notes

Interest on the new notes will accrue at the rate of 6.50% per annum on the notes due 2007 and 7.20% per annum on the notes due 2012 from the most recent date to which interest on the old notes has been paid or, if no interest has been paid, from the date of the issuance of the old notes. Interest will be payable semiannually in arrears on April 15 and October 15, commencing on October 15, 2002. Holders whose old notes are accepted for exchange will be deemed to have waived the right to receive any interest accrued on the old notes.

Conditions to this Exchange Offer

Despite any other term of this exchange offer, we will not be required to exchange any old notes and may terminate this exchange offer as provided in this prospectus before the acceptance of the old notes, if:

- any action or proceeding is instituted or threatened in any court or by or before any governmental agency relating to this exchange offer that, in our reasonable judgment, might materially impair our ability to proceed with this exchange offer or materially impair the contemplated benefits of this exchange offer to us, or any material adverse development has occurred in any existing action or proceeding relating to us or any of our subsidiaries;
- . any change, or any development involving a prospective change, in our business or financial affairs or those of any of our subsidiaries has occurred that, in our reasonable judgment, might materially impair

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our ability to proceed with this exchange offer or materially impair the contemplated benefits of this exchange offer to us;

- . any law, statute, rule or regulation is proposed, adopted or enacted, that in our reasonable judgment might materially impair our ability to proceed with this exchange offer or materially impair the contemplated benefits of this exchange offer to us; or
- . any governmental approval has not been obtained, which approval we, in our reasonable discretion, consider necessary for the completion of this exchange offer as contemplated by this prospectus.

The conditions listed above are for our sole benefit and may be asserted by us regardless of the circumstances giving rise to any of these conditions. We may waive these conditions in our reasonable discretion, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time. The failure by us at any time to exercise any of the above rights shall not be considered a waiver of these rights, and these rights shall be considered ongoing rights that may be asserted at any time and from time to time.

If we determine in our reasonable discretion that any of the conditions are not satisfied with respect to tenders of either series of old notes, we may:

 refuse to accept any old notes and return all tendered old notes to the tendering holders;

- extend this exchange offer and retain all old notes tendered before the
 expiration of this exchange offer, subject, however, to the rights of
 holders to withdraw these old notes (See "--Withdrawal of Tenders"
 below); or
- waive unsatisfied conditions relating to the exchange offer for a particular series of old notes and accept all properly tendered old notes which have not been withdrawn.

Procedures for Tendering

Unless the tender is made in book-entry form, to tender old notes in this exchange offer, a holder must:

- . complete, sign and date the appropriate letter of transmittal, or a facsimile of it:
- . have the signatures guaranteed if required by the relevant letter of transmittal; and
- mail or otherwise deliver the letter of transmittal or the facsimile, the old notes and any other required documents to the exchange agent prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

The blue letter of transmittal must be used to tender old notes due 2007 and the yellow letter of transmittal must be used to tender old notes due 2012.

Any institution that is a participant in DTC's Book-Entry Transfer Facility system may make book-entry delivery of the old notes through DTC's Automated Tender Offer Program, or ATOP. ATOP enables a custodial entity, and the beneficial owner on whose behalf the custodial entity is acting, to electronically agree to be bound by the letter of transmittal. A letter of transmittal need not accompany tenders offered through ATOP.

The tender by a holder of old notes will constitute an agreement between us and the holder in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this prospectus and in the letter of transmittal.

The method of delivery of old notes and the letter of transmittal and all other required documents to the exchange agent is at the election and risk of the holders. Instead of delivery by mail, we recommend that holders use an overnight or hand delivery service. In all cases, holders should allow sufficient time to assure delivery to the exchange agent before the expiration date. No letter of transmittal or old notes should be sent to us. Holders may request their brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies or nominees to effect the tenders for them.

Any beneficial owner whose old notes are registered in the name of a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee and who wishes to tender its old notes should contact the registered holder promptly and instruct the registered holder to tender on behalf of the beneficial owner. If the beneficial owner wishes to

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tender on that owner's own behalf, the owner must, prior to completing and executing the appropriate letter of transmittal and delivery of the owner's old notes, either make appropriate arrangements to register ownership of the old notes in the owner's name or obtain a properly completed bond power from the registered holder. The transfer of registered ownership may take a considerable period of time.

Signatures on a letter of transmittal or a notice of withdrawal must be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution as defined in Rule 17Ad-15 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, unless the old notes are tendered:

- by a registered holder who has not completed the box entitled "Special Issuance Instructions" or "Special Delivery Instructions" on the letter of transmittal; or
- . for the account of an "eligible guarantor institution."

If the letter of transmittal is signed by a person other than the registered holder of the old notes, the old notes must be endorsed by the registered holder or accompanied by a properly completed bond power, in each case signed or endorsed in blank by the registered holder.

If the letter of transmittal or any old notes or bond powers are signed or endorsed by trustees, executors, administrators, guardians, attorneys-in-fact, officers of corporations or others acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, these persons should so indicate when signing and, unless the requirement is waived by us, submit evidence satisfactory to us of their authority to act in that capacity with the letter of transmittal.

We will determine all questions as to the validity, form, eligibility (including time of receipt) and acceptance and withdrawal of tendered old notes in our sole discretion. We reserve the absolute right to reject any and all old notes not properly tendered or any old notes whose acceptance by us would, in the opinion of our counsel, be unlawful. We also reserve the right to waive any defects, irregularities or conditions of tender as to any particular old notes either before or after the expiration date. Our interpretation of the terms and conditions of this exchange offer (including the instructions in the letter of transmittal) will be final and binding on all parties. Unless waived, any defects or irregularities in connection with tenders of old notes must be cured within a time period determined by us.

Although we intend to request the exchange agent to notify holders of defects or irregularities relating to tenders of old notes, none of we, the exchange agent nor any other person has any duty to give this notice or will incur any liability for failure to give this notice. Tenders of old notes will not be considered to have been made until such defects or irregularities have been cured or waived. Any old notes received by the exchange agent that are not properly tendered and as to which the defects or irregularities have not been cured or waived will be returned by the exchange agent to the tendering holders, unless otherwise provided in the letter of transmittal, as soon as practicable following the expiration date.

In addition, we reserve the right, as set forth above under the caption "--Conditions to this Exchange Offer," to terminate the exchange offer with respect to either or both series of old notes.

By tendering old notes, each holder represents to us, among other things, that:

- . the new notes acquired in the exchange offer are being obtained in the ordinary course of business for investment purposes of the person receiving the new notes, whether or not such person is the holder;
- neither the holder nor any such other person has an arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of the new notes; and
- neither the holder nor any other such person is our "affiliate" as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

If the holder is a broker-dealer that will receive new notes for its own account in exchange for old notes, it will acknowledge that it acquired the old notes as the result of market-making activities or other trading activities and it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the new notes. See "Plan of Distribution."

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Guaranteed Delivery Procedures

A holder who wishes to tender its old notes and:

- whose old notes are not immediately available;
- who cannot deliver the holder's old notes, the letter of transmittal or any other required documents to the exchange agent prior to the expiration date; or
- . who cannot complete the procedures for book-entry transfer before the expiration date may effect a tender if:

- . the tender is made through an eligible guarantor institution;
- . before the expiration date, the exchange agent receives from the eligible guarantor institution:
- (1) a properly completed and duly executed notice of guaranteed delivery by facsimile transmission, mail or hand delivery,
 - (2) the name and address of the holder, and
- (3) the certificate number(s) of the old notes and the principal amount of old notes tendered, stating that the tender is being made and guaranteeing that, within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the expiration date, the appropriate letter of transmittal and the certificates representing the old notes (or a confirmation of book-entry transfer), and any other documents required by the letter of transmittal will be deposited by the eligible guarantor institution with the exchange agent; and
- the exchange agent receives, within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the expiration date, a properly completed and executed letter of transmittal or facsimile, as well as the certificate(s) representing all tendered old notes in proper form for transfer or a confirmation of book-entry transfer, and all other documents required by the letter of transmittal.

Withdrawal of Tenders

Except as otherwise provided in this prospectus, tenders of old notes may be withdrawn at any time prior to $5:00~\rm p.m.$, New York City time, on the expiration date.

To withdraw a tender of old notes, a written or facsimile transmission notice of withdrawal must be received by the exchange agent at its address set forth herein prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. Any notice of withdrawal must:

- specify the name of the person who deposited the old notes to be withdrawn;
- identify the old notes to be withdrawn, including the certificate number or numbers and principal amount of the old notes;
- be signed by the depositor in the same manner as the original signature on the letter of transmittal by which the old notes were tendered, including any required signature guarantees, or be accompanied by documents of transfer sufficient to have the trustee register the transfer of the old notes into the name of the person withdrawing the tender; and
- . specify the name in which any old notes are to be registered, if different from that of the depositor.

We will determine all questions as to the validity, form and eligibility (including time of receipt) of withdrawal notices. Any old notes so withdrawn will be considered not to have been validly tendered for purposes of the exchange offer, and no new notes will be issued in exchange for these old notes unless the old notes withdrawn are validly re-tendered. Any old notes that have been tendered but are not accepted for exchange or are withdrawn will be returned to the holder without cost to such holder as soon as practicable after

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withdrawal, rejection of tender or termination of the exchange offer. Properly withdrawn old notes may be re-tendered by following one of the procedures described above under the caption "--Procedures for Tendering" at any time prior to the expiration date.

Exchange Agent

Wachovia Bank, National Association has been appointed as exchange agent in connection with this exchange offer. Questions and requests for assistance,

requests for additional copies of this prospectus or of the letter of transmittal should be directed to the exchange agent, at its offices at 999 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309, Attention: Corporate Trust Group. The exchange agent's telephone number is (404) 827-7352 and facsimile number is (404) 827-7305.

Fees and Expenses

We will not make any payment to brokers, dealers or others soliciting acceptances of this exchange offer. We will pay some other expenses to be incurred in connection with this exchange offer, including the fees and expenses of the exchange agent as well as accounting and legal fees.

Holders who tender their old notes for exchange will not be obligated to pay transfer taxes. If, however:

- . new notes are to be delivered to, or issued in the name of, any person other than the registered holder of the old notes tendered;
- . tendered old notes are registered in the name of any person other than the person signing the letter of transmittal; or
- a transfer tax is imposed for any reason other than the exchange of old notes in connection with this exchange offer,

then the amount of any transfer taxes, whether imposed on the registered holder or any other persons, will be payable by the tendering holder. If satisfactory evidence of payment of these taxes or exemption from them is not submitted with the letter of transmittal, the amount of these transfer taxes will be billed directly to the tendering holder.

Accounting Treatment

The new notes will be recorded at the same carrying value as the old notes as reflected in our accounting records on the date of the exchange. Accordingly, we will not recognize any gain or loss for accounting purposes upon the completion of this exchange offer.

Consequences of Failing to Properly Tender Old Notes in the Exchange Offer

Issuance of the new notes in exchange for the old notes under this exchange offer will be made only after timely receipt by the exchange agent of the old notes, a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal and all other required documents. Therefore, holders desiring to tender old notes in exchange for new notes should allow sufficient time to ensure timely delivery. We are under no duty to give notification of defects or irregularities to tenders of old notes. Old notes that are not tendered or that are tendered but not accepted by us will, following completion of this exchange offer, continue to be subject to the existing restrictions upon transfer under the Securities Act, and, upon completion of this exchange offer, certain registration rights under the exchange and registration rights agreement will terminate.

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In the event the exchange offer is completed, we generally will not be required to register the remaining old notes, subject to limited exceptions. Remaining old notes will continue to be subject to the following restrictions on transfer:

- . the remaining old notes may be resold only if registered pursuant to the Securities Act, if any exemption from registration is available, or if neither registration nor an exemption is required by law, and
- . the remaining old notes will bear a legend restricting transfer in the absence of registration or an exemption.

We do not currently anticipate that we will register the remaining old notes under the Securities Act. To the extent that old notes are tendered and accepted in connection with this exchange offer, any trading market for remaining old notes could be adversely affected.

Titles

6.50% Notes due April 15, 2007, Series C (the "new notes due 2007") and 7.20% Notes due April 15, 2012, Series D (the "new notes due 2012" and, together with the new notes due 2007, the "new notes").

General

Mohawk will issue the new notes as two separate series of debt securities under an indenture dated as of April 2, 2002, between Mohawk and Wachovia Bank, National Association, as trustee. The form and terms of the new notes will be identical in all material respects to the form and terms of the old notes, except that:

- . the new notes will bear a different CUSIP number from the old notes;
- . the issuance of the new notes will be registered under the Securities Act and therefore, the new notes will not bear legends restricting the transfer thereof; and
- holders of the new notes will not be entitled to certain rights of holders of old notes under the exchange and registration rights agreement, including the provisions thereof which provide for an increase in the interest rate of the old notes in certain circumstances relating to the timing of this exchange offer, which rights will terminate when this exchange offer is consummated.

The new notes will evidence the same debt as the old notes. Upon issuance of the new notes, the indenture will be subject to and governed by the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.

The following description of the provisions of the indenture is only a summary. You should read the entire indenture carefully before investing in the new notes. You can obtain a copy of the indenture by following the directions under the caption "Where You Can Find More Information" in this prospectus.

Unless otherwise indicated, capitalized terms used in the following summary that are defined in the indenture have the meanings used in the indenture. As used in this "Description of Notes," references to "Mohawk" refer to Mohawk Industries, Inc. and do not, unless the context otherwise indicates, include Mohawk's subsidiaries.

Principal, Maturity and Interest

The new notes will be two separate series of unsecured debt securities under the indenture. The amount of debt securities that Mohawk may issue under the indenture is unlimited. Mohawk will issue the new notes due 2007 initially in an aggregate principal amount of \$300 million and will issue the new notes due 2012 initially in an aggregate principal amount of \$400 million. After completion of this exchange offering, Mohawk may issue additional notes from each series of notes offered hereby without your consent and without notifying you. Any such additional notes will have the same ranking, interest rate, maturity date, redemption rights and other terms as the applicable series of notes offered by this prospectus. Any such additional notes, together with the applicable series of notes offered hereby, will constitute a single series of debt securities under the indenture. The notes will be issued in principal amounts of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof.

The new notes due 2007 will mature on April 15, 2007, and the new notes due 2012 will mature on April 15, 2012. Each series of new notes will bear interest at the applicable rate set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, payable semiannually in arrears, on April 15 and October 15 of each year, commencing October 15, 2002, to the registered holders thereof on the preceding April 1 or October 1, as the case may be.

The new notes will not have the benefit of a sinking fund.

The new notes will be Mohawk's senior unsecured obligations. Payment of the principal and interest on the new notes will rank equally with all of Mohawk's other unsecured and unsubordinated debt and senior to its subordinated debt. The new notes effectively will be subordinated to any secured indebtedness of Mohawk to the extent of any such security. On a pro forma basis after giving effect to the consummation of the Transactions, as of December 31, 2001, Mohawk would have had approximately \$480 million of indebtedness that would have ranked equally with the new notes, no indebtedness that would have ranked junior to the new notes, and approximately \$11 million of secured indebtedness that would have been effectively senior to the new notes to the extent of the applicable security.

Nearly all of Mohawk's operations are conducted through its subsidiaries. Accordingly, Mohawk's cash flow and its ability to service debt, including the new notes, are entirely dependent upon the earnings of Mohawk's subsidiaries and the distribution of those earnings to, or upon other payments of funds by those subsidiaries to, Mohawk. The subsidiaries are separate and distinct legal entities and have no obligation, contingent or otherwise, to pay any amounts due on the new notes or to make funds available for such payments, whether by dividends, loans or other payments. In addition, the payment of dividends and the making of loans and advances to Mohawk by its subsidiaries may be subject to statutory or contractual restrictions, are contingent upon the earnings of those subsidiaries, and are subject to various business considerations.

Any right of Mohawk to receive assets of any of its subsidiaries upon their liquidation or reorganization, and the resulting right of the holders of the new notes to participate in those assets, will be effectively subordinated to the claims of that subsidiary's creditors (including trade creditors), except to the extent that Mohawk is itself recognized as a creditor of such subsidiary, in which case Mohawk's claims would be effectively subordinated to any security interests in the assets of such subsidiary and any indebtedness of such subsidiary senior to that held by Mohawk. On a pro forma basis after giving effect to the Transactions, as of December 31, 2001, Mohawk's subsidiaries would have had outstanding approximately \$820 million of liabilities.

Redemption At Mohawk's Option

Mohawk may, at its option, redeem some or all of any series of notes at any time and from time to time at a redemption price equal to the greater of the following amounts, plus, in each case, accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date:

- . 100% of the principal amount of the notes to be redeemed, or
- . as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, the sum of the present values of the remaining principal amount and scheduled payments of interest on such notes to be redeemed (not including any portion of payments of interest accrued as of the redemption date), discounted to the redemption date in accordance with customary market practice on a semiannual basis at the Treasury Rate plus 25 basis points.

The redemption price will be calculated assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. For purposes of calculating the redemption price, the following terms will have the meanings set forth below:

"Treasury Rate" means, with respect to any redemption date, the rate per year equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated on the third business day preceding the redemption date, assuming a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for that redemption date.

"Comparable Treasury Issue" means the United States Treasury security selected by the Independent Investment Banker as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term of the applicable series of notes to be redeemed that would be used, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary market practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of such notes.

"Comparable Treasury Price" means, with respect to any redemption date:

- the average of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) on the third business day preceding the redemption date, as set forth in the daily statistical release (or any successor release) published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and designated "Composite 3:30 p.m. Quotations for U.S. Government Securities" or
- if such release (or any successor release) is not published or does not contain such prices on such business day:
 - the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for that redemption date, after excluding the highest and lowest of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, or
 - if the trustee obtains fewer than three Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations so received.

"Independent Investment Banker" means one of the Reference Treasury Dealers selected by the trustee after consultation with Mohawk.

"Reference Treasury Dealer" means each of Goldman, Sachs & Co., First Union Securities, Inc. and SunTrust Capital Markets, Inc. and their respective successors, unless any of them ceases to be a primary U.S. Government securities dealer in New York City (a "Primary Treasury Dealer"), in which case Mohawk shall substitute another nationally recognized investment banking firm that is a Primary Treasury Dealer.

"Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations" means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any redemption date, the average, as determined by the trustee, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the trustee by such Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third business day preceding that redemption date.

Mohawk will mail notice of any redemption at least 30 days but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each holder of the notes to be redeemed. If Mohawk redeems less than all of a particular series of notes, the trustee will select the particular notes to be redeemed by lot or pro rata by series or by another method the trustee deems fair and appropriate.

Unless Mohawk defaults in the payment of the redemption price, on and after the redemption date, interest will cease to accrue on the notes or portions of the notes called for redemption.

Restrictive Covenants

Some of the defined terms used in the following subsections are defined below under "Definitions for Restrictive Covenants."

Limitations on Liens

If, after the date of the indenture, Mohawk or any Consolidated Subsidiary issues, incurs, assumes, creates, guarantees or becomes directly or indirectly liable with respect to (including as a result of an acquisition (by way of merger, consolidation or otherwise)) any Debt secured by a Lien on any Principal Property or on any shares of capital stock of any Consolidated Subsidiary (in each case, whether now owned or hereafter acquired), Mohawk must secure the notes equally and ratably with (or prior to) such secured Debt, unless, after giving effect to such transaction, including any simultaneous permanent repayment of any secured Debt, the aggregate amount of all Debt secured by a Lien on any Principal Property or on any shares of capital stock of any Consolidated Subsidiary, together with all Attributable Debt in respect of Sale and Leaseback Transactions involving Principal Properties, would not exceed 10% of the Consolidated Net Tangible Assets of Mohawk and the Consolidated Subsidiaries. The aggregate amount of all secured Debt referred to in the preceding sentence shall exclude existing secured Debt that has been secured equally and ratably with the notes. See "Limitations on Sale and Leaseback Transactions" below.

This restriction does not apply to, and there will be excluded from secured Debt in any computation under such restriction or under the covenant "--Limitations on Sale and Leaseback Transactions," Debt secured by:

- . Liens on any property existing at the time of acquisition thereof (including by way of merger or consolidation); provided that any such Lien was in existence prior to the date of such acquisition, was not incurred in anticipation thereof and does not extend to any other property, and that the principal amount of Debt secured by each such Lien does not exceed the cost to Mohawk or such Consolidated Subsidiary of the property subject to the Lien, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- . Liens in favor of Mohawk or a Consolidated Subsidiary;
- . Liens in favor of governmental bodies to secure progress or advance payments pursuant to any contract or provision of any statute;
- Liens created or incurred in connection with an industrial revenue bond, industrial development bond, pollution control bond or similar financing arrangement between Mohawk or a Consolidated Subsidiary and any federal, state or municipal government or other governmental body or quasi-governmental agency;
- Liens on property to secure all or part of the cost of acquiring, substantially repairing or altering, constructing, developing or substantially improving the property, or to secure Debt incurred for any such purpose; provided that any such Lien relates solely to the property subject to the Lien and that the principal amount of Debt secured by each such Lien was incurred concurrently with, or within 18 months of, such acquisition, repair, alteration, construction, development or improvement and does not exceed the cost to Mohawk or such Consolidated Subsidiary of the property subject to the Lien, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; and
- any extension, renewal or replacement of any Lien referred to above; provided, that such extension, renewal or replacement Lien will be limited to the same property that secured the Lien so extended, renewed or replaced and will not exceed the principal amount of Debt so secured at the time of such extension, renewal or replacement and that such principal amount of Debt so secured shall continue to be included in the computation in the first paragraph of this covenant and under the covenant "--Limitations on Sale and Leaseback Transactions" to the extent so included at the time of such extension, renewal or replacement.

Limitations on Sale and Leaseback Transactions

Neither Mohawk nor any Consolidated Subsidiary may enter into any Sale and Leaseback Transaction involving any Principal Property unless:

- after giving effect thereto, the aggregate amount of all Attributable Debt with respect to Sale and Leaseback Transactions plus the aggregate amount of Debt secured by Liens incurred without equally and ratably securing the notes pursuant to the covenant "--Limitations on Liens" above would not exceed 10% of the Consolidated Net Tangible Assets of Mohawk and the Consolidated Subsidiaries; or
- . within 180 days of such Sale and Leaseback Transaction, Mohawk or such Consolidated Subsidiary applies to (a) the retirement or prepayment, and in either case, the permanent reduction, of Funded Debt of Mohawk or any Consolidated Subsidiary (including that in the case of a revolver or similar arrangement that makes credit available, such commitment is so permanently reduced by such amount), or (b) the purchase of other property that will constitute Principal Property, subject to certain limitations, an amount not less than the greater of:
 - the Net Proceeds of the Sale and Leaseback Transaction; or
 - the fair market value of the Principal Property so leased at the time of such transaction.

This restriction will not apply to any Sale and Leaseback Transaction, and there shall be excluded from Attributable Debt in any computation described herein or above under "--Limitations on Liens" with respect to any such transaction:

- . solely between Mohawk and a Consolidated Subsidiary or solely between Consolidated Subsidiaries;
- financed through an industrial revenue bond, industrial development bond, pollution control bond or similar financing arrangement between Mohawk or a Consolidated Subsidiary and any federal, state or municipal government or other governmental body or quasi-governmental agency; or
- in which the applicable lease is for a period, including renewal rights, of three years or less.

Definitions for Restrictive Covenants

"Attributable Debt" means, on the date of any determination, the present value of the obligation of the lessee for net rental payments during the remaining term of the lease included in such Sale and Leaseback Transaction, including any period for which such lease has been extended or may, at the option of the lessor, be extended. Such present value shall be calculated using a discount rate equal to the interest rate set forth or implicit in the terms of such lease or, if not practicable to determine such rate, the weighted average interest rate per annum borne by the notes, in either case compounded semiannually. "Net rental payments" means the total amount of rent payable by the lessee after excluding amounts required to be paid on account of maintenance and repairs, insurance, taxes, assessments, water rates and similar charges.

"Consolidated Net Tangible Assets" means, on the date of any determination, the aggregate amount of assets, less applicable reserves and other properly deductible items, after deducting from that net amount:

- . all current liabilities; and
- . goodwill and other intangibles,

in each case as set forth on the most recently available consolidated balance sheet of Mohawk and the Consolidated Subsidiaries, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

"Consolidated Subsidiary" means a Subsidiary of Mohawk, except a Subsidiary of Mohawk that neither transacts any substantial portion of its business nor regularly maintains any substantial portion of its fixed assets within the United States, whose financial statements are consolidated with those of Mohawk in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

"Debt" means, at any time, all obligations of Mohawk and each Consolidated Subsidiary, to the extent such obligations would appear as a liability upon the consolidated balance sheet of Mohawk and the Consolidated Subsidiaries, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, (1) for borrowed money, (2) evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or other similar instruments, and (3) in respect of any letters of credit supporting any Debt of others, and all guarantees by Mohawk or any Consolidated Subsidiary of Debt of others.

"Funded Debt" means (1) all Debt for money borrowed having a maturity of more than 12 months from the date as of which the determination is made or having a maturity of 12 months or less but by its terms being renewable or extendible beyond 12 months from such date at the option of the borrower (excluding any amount thereof included in current liabilities) and (2) all rental obligations payable more than 12 months from such date under leases that are capitalized in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (such rental obligations to be included as Funded Debt at the amount so capitalized).

"Lien" means any mortgage, pledge, hypothecation, encumbrance, security interest, statutory or other lien, or preference, priority or other security or similar agreement or preferential arrangement of any kind or nature whatsoever, including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement having substantially the same economic effect as any of these.

"Net Proceeds" means, with respect to a Sale and Leaseback Transaction, the aggregate amount of cash or cash equivalents received by Mohawk or such Consolidated Subsidiary, less the sum of all payments, fees, commissions and expenses incurred in connection with such transaction, and less the amount (estimated reasonably and in good faith by Mohawk) of income, franchise, sales and other applicable taxes required to be paid by Mohawk or any Consolidated Subsidiary in connection with such transaction in the taxable year that such transaction is consummated or in the immediately succeeding taxable year, the computation of which shall take into account the reduction in tax liability resulting from any available operating losses and net operating loss carryovers, tax credits and tax credit carryforwards, and similar tax attributes.

"Principal Property" includes any mill, manufacturing plant, warehouse or other similar facility or any parcel of real estate or group of contiguous parcels of real estate owned or leased by Mohawk or any Consolidated Subsidiary on the date of the indenture or is thereafter acquired or leased by Mohawk or any Consolidated Subsidiary and that is located within the United States and the gross book value, without deduction of any depreciation reserves, of which on the date as of which the determination is being made exceeds 1% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets.

"Sale and Leaseback Transaction" means any arrangement whereby Mohawk or any of its Subsidiaries has sold or transferred, or will sell or transfer, property and has or will take back a lease pursuant to which the rental payments are calculated to amortize the purchase price of the property substantially over the useful life of such property.

"Subsidiary" means a corporation, a majority of the outstanding voting stock of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by Mohawk and/or by one or more of its other Subsidiaries, a partnership in which Mohawk or a Subsidiary of Mohawk is, at the time, a general partner, and any other entity in which Mohawk and/or one of its Subsidiaries, directly or indirectly, has a majority ownership interest.

Consolidation, Merger, Conveyance, Transfer or Lease

Mohawk may not consolidate or merge with or into, or transfer or lease its assets substantially as an entirety to, any entity, unless:

- . Mohawk is the surviving entity or, if not, the successor entity formed by such consolidation or into which Mohawk is merged or which acquires or leases Mohawk's assets is organized and existing under the laws of any United States jurisdiction and expressly assumes Mohawk's obligations with respect to the notes and under the indenture; and
- no default or event of default exists or will occur immediately after giving effect to the transaction.

Events of Default

The following are events of default under the indenture with respect to any series of notes:

- . failure to pay principal of, or premium, if any, on such series of notes when due;
- . failure to pay any installment of interest on such series of notes when due, continued for 30 days;
- failure to observe or perform any other covenant or agreement in such series of notes or the indenture, continued for 60 days after receipt by Mohawk of notice of such failure from the trustee or holders of at least 25% of the principal amount of such notes outstanding; and
- . certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of Mohawk.

If an event of default with respect to the outstanding notes of a particular series occurs and continues, either the trustee or the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of such series of outstanding notes may declare the principal amount of such series of notes to be due and payable immediately; provided that in the case

of certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization, such principal amount, or portion thereof, will automatically become due and payable without any action by the trustee or any holder. However, at any time after an acceleration with respect to notes of a particular series has occurred, but before a judgment or decree based on such acceleration has been obtained, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding notes of such series may, under certain circumstances, rescind and annul such acceleration. For information as to waiver of defaults, see "--Modification and Waiver."

Subject to the duty of the trustee during default to act with the required standard of care, the trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the indenture at the request or direction of any of the holders, unless such holders have offered the trustee reasonable security or indemnity. Subject to such indemnification and certain other limitations, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding notes of a particular series will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the trustee, with respect to the notes of such series.

Other than with respect to a lawsuit for the payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on any series of notes when due, the indenture provides that no holder of such series of notes may institute any action against Mohawk under the indenture without first complying with the conditions set forth in the indenture.

Mohawk will furnish to the trustee an annual statement as to Mohawk's performance of certain of its obligations under the indenture and as to any default in such performance.

Modification and Waiver

Modifications and amendments of the indenture may be made by Mohawk and the trustee with the consent of holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of any series of notes outstanding, except that no such modification or amendment may, without the consent of the holder of each outstanding note of the applicable series affected thereby:

- change the stated maturity date of the principal of, or any installment of interest on, any such note;
- reduce the principal amount of, or premium, if any, or interest on, any such note;
- reduce the amount of principal payable upon acceleration of the maturity thereof;
- change the place or currency of payment of principal of, or premium, if any, or interest on, any such note;
- impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment on or with respect to any such note;
- . cause such notes to become subordinate in right of payment to any other $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Debt}}\xspace;$ or
- reduce the percentage in aggregate principal amount of such series of outstanding notes the consent of the holders of which is required for modification or amendment of the indenture or for waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the indenture or for waiver of certain defaults.

Mohawk and the trustee may also modify and amend the indenture without the consent of any holder of notes in limited circumstances, such as clarifications and changes that would not adversely affect the holders.

The holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of any series of outstanding notes may, on behalf of the holders of all such notes, waive Mohawk's compliance with certain restrictive provisions of the indenture with

respect to such series of notes. The holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of any series of outstanding notes may, on behalf of the holders of all such notes, waive any past default under the indenture with respect to such notes, except a default in the payment of the principal of, or premium, if any, or interest on, such notes or in respect of any provision of the indenture with respect to such series of notes that cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the holder of each outstanding note of such series affected thereby.

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Legal Defeasance and Covenant Defeasance

The indenture provides that Mohawk may, at its option, elect to discharge its obligations with respect to any series of notes ("Legal Defeasance"). If Legal Defeasance occurs, Mohawk will be deemed to have paid and discharged all amounts owed under the applicable series of notes, and the indenture will cease to be of further effect as to such series of notes, except that:

- (1) holders will be entitled to receive timely payments for the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, such series of notes, from the funds deposited for that purpose (as explained below);
- (2) Mohawk's obligations will continue with respect to the issuance of temporary notes, the registration of notes, and the replacement of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen notes of the applicable series;
- (3) the trustee will retain its rights, powers, duties, and immunities, and Mohawk will retain its obligations in connection therewith; and
- (4) other Legal Defeasance provisions of the indenture will remain in effect.

In addition, Mohawk may, at its option and at any time, elect to cause the release of its obligations with respect to most of the covenants in the indenture ("Covenant Defeasance") with respect to any series of notes. If Covenant Defeasance occurs, certain events (not including non-payment events and bankruptcy, insolvency and reorganization events) relating to Mohawk described under "Events of Default" will no longer constitute events of default with respect to such notes. Mohawk may exercise Legal Defeasance regardless of whether it previously exercised Covenant Defeasance.

In order to exercise either Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance (each, a "Defeasance") with respect to any series of notes:

- (1) Mohawk must irrevocably deposit with the trustee, in trust, for the benefit of holders of the notes, U.S. legal tender, U.S. government securities or a combination thereof, in amounts that will be sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants, to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, the applicable series of notes on the stated date for payment or any redemption date thereof, and the trustee must have, for the benefit of holders of such notes, a valid, perfected, exclusive security interest in the trust;
- (2) in the case of Legal Defeasance, Mohawk must deliver to the trustee an opinion of counsel in the United States reasonably acceptable to the trustee confirming that:
 - (A) Mohawk has received from, or there has been published by, the Internal Revenue Service, a ruling or
 - (B) since the date of the indenture, there has been a change in the applicable federal income tax law,

in either case to the effect that holders of such series of notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of the Legal Defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if the Legal Defeasance had not occurred;

(3) in the case of Covenant Defeasance, Mohawk must deliver to the trustee an opinion of counsel in the United States reasonably acceptable to the trustee confirming that holders of such series of notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of the Covenant Defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if the Covenant Defeasance had not occurred;

(4) no default or event of default may have occurred and be continuing under the indenture on the date of the deposit with respect to such notes; in addition, no event of default relating to bankruptcy or insolvency may occur at any time from the date of the deposit to the 91st calendar day thereafter;

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- (5) the Defeasance may not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under the indenture or any other material agreement or instrument to which Mohawk or any of its Consolidated Subsidiaries is a party or by which Mohawk or any of its Consolidated Subsidiaries is bound;
- (6) Mohawk must deliver to the trustee an officers' certificate stating that the deposit was not made by Mohawk with the intent to hinder, delay or defraud any other of its creditors; and
- (7) Mohawk must deliver to the trustee an officers' certificate confirming the satisfaction of conditions in clauses (1) through (6) above, and an opinion of counsel confirming the satisfaction of the conditions in clauses (1) (with respect to the validity and perfection of the security interest), (2), (3) and (5) above.

The Defeasance will be effective on the earlier of (i) the 91st day after the deposit, and (ii) the day on which all the conditions above have been satisfied.

If the amount deposited with the trustee to effect a Defeasance is insufficient to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, the applicable series of notes when due, or if any court enters an order directing the repayment of the deposit to Mohawk or otherwise making the deposit unavailable to make payments under such series of notes when due, then (so long as the insufficiency exists or the order remains in effect) Mohawk's obligations under the indenture and such series of notes will be revived, and the Defeasance will be deemed not to have occurred.

Form, Denomination, Book-Entry Procedures and Transfer

Mohawk will issue the new notes only in fully registered form, without interest coupons. The new notes are collectively referred to herein as the "Global Notes." Each of the Global Notes initially will be deposited with the trustee, as custodian for the DTC, and registered in the name of DTC or its nominee. The new notes initially will be issued in minimum denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of new notes, but Mohawk may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or government charge payable in connection therewith.

Mohawk will cause to be kept at the office of the registrar a register in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, Mohawk will provide for the registration of the new notes and registration of transfers of the new notes. Mohawk initially will appoint the trustee at its corporate trust office as paying agent and registrar for the new notes. Mohawk may vary or terminate the appointment of any paying agent or registrar, or appoint additional or other such agents or approve any change in the office through which any such agent acts; provided that there shall at all times be a paying agent and a registrar in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, New York. Mohawk will cause notice of any resignation, termination or appointment of the trustee or any paying agent or registrar, and of any change in the office through which any such agent will act, to be provided to holders of the new notes.

Transfers of beneficial interests in the Global Notes will be subject to the applicable rules and procedures of DTC and its Direct or Indirect Participants (each defined below), including, if applicable, those of Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System ("Euroclear") and Clearstream Banking, societe anonyme ("Clearstream"), which may change from time to time.

Except as set forth below, the Global Notes may be transferred, in whole and

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Depositary Procedures

The following description of the operations and procedures of DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream is provided solely as a matter of convenience. These operations and procedures are solely within the control of the respective settlement systems and are subject to change by them from time to time. Neither Mohawk nor the trustee takes any responsibility for these operations and procedures, and you are urged to contact the applicable system or its participants directly to discuss these matters.

DTC has advised Mohawk that DTC is a limited-purpose trust company created to hold securities for its participating organizations (collectively, the "Direct Participants") and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of transactions in those securities between Direct Participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of participants. The Direct Participants include securities brokers and dealers (including banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations, including Euroclear and Clearstream). Access to DTC's system is also available to other entities that clear through or maintain a direct or indirect custodial relationship with a Direct Participant (collectively, the "Indirect Participants").

DTC has advised Mohawk that, pursuant to DTC's procedures, (i) DTC will maintain records of the ownership interests of the Direct Participants in the Global Notes and the transfer of ownership interests by and between Direct Participants. DTC will not maintain records of the ownership interests of, or the transfer of ownership interests by and between, Indirect Participants or other owners of beneficial interests in the Global Notes. Direct Participants and Indirect Participants must maintain their own records of the ownership interests of, and the transfer of ownership interests by and between, Indirect Participants and other owners of beneficial interests in the Global Notes.

Investors in the Global Notes may hold their interests therein directly through DTC if they are Direct Participants in DTC or indirectly through organizations that are Direct Participants in DTC. Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, Brussels office, is the operator and depositary of Euroclear and Citibank, N.A. is the operator and depositary of Clearstream (each a "Nominee" of Euroclear and Clearstream, respectively). Therefore, they will each be recorded on DTC's records as the holders of all ownership interests held by them on behalf of Euroclear and Clearstream, respectively. Euroclear and Clearstream must maintain on their own records the ownership interests of, and transfers of ownership interests by and between, their own customers' securities accounts. DTC will not maintain such records. All ownership interests in any Global Notes, including those of customers' securities accounts held through Euroclear or Clearstream, may be subject to the procedures and requirements of DTC.

The laws of some states in the United States require that certain persons take physical delivery in definitive, certificated form, of securities that they own. This may limit or curtail the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to such persons. Because DTC can act only on behalf of Direct Participants, which in turn act on behalf of Indirect Participants and others, the ability of a person having a beneficial interest in a Global Note to pledge such interest to persons or entities that are not Direct Participants in DTC, or to otherwise take actions in respect of such interests, may be affected by the lack of physical certificates evidencing such interests. For certain other restrictions on the transferability of the notes, see "--Transfers of Interests in Global Notes for Certificated Notes."

Except as described in "--Transfers of Interests in Global Notes for Certificated Notes," owners of beneficial interests in the Global Notes will not have notes registered in their names, will not receive physical delivery of notes in certificated form and will not be considered the registered owners or holders thereof under the indenture for any purpose.

Under the terms of the indenture, Mohawk and the trustee will treat the persons in whose names the notes are registered (including notes represented by

Global Notes) as the owners thereof for the purpose of receiving payments and for any and all other purposes whatsoever with respect to the notes. Payments in respect of the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Notes}}$

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principal, premium, if any, and interest on, Global Notes registered in the name of DTC or its nominee will be payable by the trustee to DTC or its nominee as the registered holder under the indenture. Consequently, neither Mohawk, the trustee nor any of Mohawk's or the trustee's agents has or will have any responsibility or liability for (i) any aspect of DTC's records or any Direct Participant's or Indirect Participant's records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in the Global Notes or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any of DTC's records or any Direct Participant's or Indirect Participant's records relating to the beneficial ownership interests in any Global Note or (ii) any other matter relating to the actions and practices of DTC or any of its Direct Participants or Indirect Participants.

DTC has advised Mohawk that its current payment practice (for payments of principal, interest and the like) with respect to securities such as the notes is to credit the accounts of the relevant Direct Participants with such payment on the payment date in amounts proportionate to such Direct Participant's respective ownership interests in the Global Notes as shown on DTC's records. Payments by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to the beneficial owners of the notes will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices between them and will not be the responsibility of DTC, the trustee or Mohawk. Neither Mohawk nor the trustee will be liable for any delay by DTC or its Direct Participants or Indirect Participants in identifying the beneficial owners of the notes, and Mohawk and the trustee may conclusively rely on and will be protected in relying on instructions from DTC or its nominee as the registered owner of the notes for all purposes.

The Global Notes will trade in DTC's Same-Day Funds Settlement System and, therefore, transfers between Direct Participants in DTC will be effected in accordance with DTC's procedures, and will be settled in immediately available funds. Transfers between Indirect Participants (other than Indirect Participants who hold an interest in the notes through Euroclear or Clearstream) who hold an interest through a Direct Participant will be effected in accordance with the procedures of such Direct Participant but generally will settle in immediately available funds. Transfers between and among Indirect Participants who hold interests in the notes through Euroclear and Clearstream will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Cross-market transfers between Direct Participants in DTC, on the one hand, and Indirect Participants who hold interests in the notes through Euroclear or Clearstream, on the other hand, will be effected by Euroclear's or Clearstream's respective Nominee through DTC in accordance with DTC's rules on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream; however, delivery of instructions relating to cross-market transactions must be made directly to Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be, by the counterparty in accordance with the rules and $\hbox{procedures of \bar{E} uroclear or $Clearstream$ and within their established deadlines}$ (Brussels time for Euroclear and UK time for Clearstream). Indirect Participants who hold interests in the notes through Euroclear and Clearstream may not deliver instructions directly to Euroclear's or Clearstream's Nominee. Euroclear or Clearstream will, if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its respective Nominee to deliver or receive interests on Euroclear's or Clearstream's behalf in the relevant Global Note in DTC, and make or receive payment in accordance with normal procedures for same-day fund settlement applicable to DTC.

Because of time zone differences, the securities accounts of an Indirect Participant who holds an interest in the notes through Euroclear or Clearstream purchasing an interest in a Global Note from a Direct Participant in DTC will be credited, and any such crediting will be reported to Euroclear or Clearstream, during the European business day immediately following the settlement date of DTC in New York. Although recorded in DTC's accounting records as of DTC's settlement date in New York, Euroclear and Clearstream customers will not have access to the cash amount credited to their accounts as a result of a sale of an interest in a Global Note to a DTC Participant until the European business day for Euroclear or Clearstream immediately following DTC's settlement date.

DTC has advised Mohawk that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a holder of notes only at the direction of one or more Direct Participants to whose account interests in the Global Notes are credited and only

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in respect of such portion of the aggregate principal amount of the notes to which such Direct Participant or Direct Participants has or have given direction. However, if there is an event of default under the notes, DTC reserves the right to exchange Global Notes (without the direction of one or more of its Direct Participants) for legended notes in certificated form, and to distribute such certificated forms of notes to its Direct Participants. See "--Transfers of Interests in Global Notes for Certificated Notes."

Although DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream have agreed to the foregoing procedures to facilitate transfers of interests in Global Notes among Direct Participants, including Euroclear and Clearstream, they are under no obligation to perform or to continue to perform such procedures, and such procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither Mohawk nor the trustee shall have any responsibility for the performance by DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream or their respective Direct and Indirect Participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing any of their operations.

The information in this section concerning DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream and their book-entry systems has been obtained from sources that Mohawk believes to be reliable, but Mohawk takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

Transfers of Interests in Global Notes for Certificated Notes

A Global Note may be exchanged for definitive notes in registered, certificated form without interest coupons ("Certificated Notes") (i) if DTC (x) notifies Mohawk that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary for the Global Notes and Mohawk thereupon fails to appoint a successor depositary within 90 days or (y) has ceased to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act, (ii) if Mohawk, at its option, notifies the trustee in writing that Mohawk elects to cause the issuance of Certificated Notes or (iii) upon the request of the trustee or holders of a majority of the aggregate principal amount of outstanding notes if there shall have occurred and be continuing a default or an event of default with respect to the notes. In any such case, Mohawk will notify the trustee in writing that, upon surrender by the Direct and Indirect Participants of their interests in such Global Note, Certificated Notes will be issued to each person that such Direct and Indirect Participants and the DTC identify as being the beneficial owner of the related notes.

Beneficial interests in Global Notes held by any Direct or Indirect Participant may be exchanged for Certificated Notes upon request to DTC, by such Direct Participant (for itself or on behalf of an Indirect Participant), to the trustee in accordance with customary DTC procedures. Certificated Notes delivered in exchange for any beneficial interest in any Global Note will be registered in the names, and issued in any approved denominations, requested by DTC on behalf of such Direct or Indirect Participants (in accordance with DTC's customary procedures).

Neither Mohawk nor the trustee will be liable for any delay by the holder of any Global Note or DTC in identifying the beneficial owners of notes, and Mohawk and the trustee may conclusively rely on, and will be protected in relying on, instructions from the holder of the Global Note or DTC for all purposes.

Same Day Settlement and Payment

The indenture requires that payments in respect of the notes represented by the Global Notes (including principal, premium, if any, and interest on the notes) be made by wire transfer of immediately available same day funds to the accounts specified by the holder of interests in such Global Note. With respect to Certificated Notes, Mohawk will make all payments of principal, premium, if any, and interest by wire transfer of immediately available same day funds to the accounts specified by the holders thereof or, if no such account is specified, by mailing a check to each such holder's registered address. Mohawk expects that secondary trading in the Certificated Notes will also be settled

The Trustee

Wachovia Bank, National Association is the trustee under the indenture. All payments of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, and all registration, transfer, exchange, authentication and delivery of, the notes will be effected by the trustee at an office designated by the trustee in New York, New York.

The indenture provides that, except during the continuance of an event of default, the trustee will perform only such duties as are specifically set forth in the indenture. During the existence of an event of default under the indenture with respect to any series of notes, the trustee will exercise such rights and powers vested in its exercise as a prudent person would exercise under the circumstances in the conduct of such person's own affairs. Subject to these provisions, the trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the indenture at the request of any of the holders of the notes, unless they shall have offered to the trustee security and indemnity satisfactory to the trustee.

The indenture and provisions of the Trust Indenture Act contain limitations on the rights of the trustee, should it become a creditor of Mohawk, to obtain payment of claims in certain cases or to liquidate certain property received by it in respect of any such claim as security or otherwise. The trustee is permitted to engage in other transactions with Mohawk or any of its affiliates. If the trustee acquires any conflicting interest, it must eliminate such conflict or resign.

Affiliates of the trustee serve as trustee under various of Mohawk's debt instruments and as agents and lenders under Mohawk's revolving credit facility. In addition, one of the initial purchasers of the old notes is an affiliate of the trustee.

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MATERIAL UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

This section describes the material United States federal tax consequences of owning and disposing of the notes and of exchanging old notes for new notes in this exchange offer. It applies to you only if you hold the notes as capital assets for tax purposes. This section does not discuss all aspects of United States federal income tax which may be important to you in light of your individual investment circumstances, and does not apply to you if you are a member of a class of holders subject to special rules, such as a dealer in securities or currencies, a trader in securities that elects to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for securities holdings, a bank or other financial institution, a life insurance company, a tax-exempt organization, a regulated investment company, a person that owns notes that are a hedge or that are hedged against interest rate or currency risks, a person that owns the notes as part of a straddle or conversion transaction for tax purposes, or a person whose functional currency for tax purposes is not the U.S. dollar.

This section is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), its legislative history, existing and proposed regulations under the Code, published rulings and court decisions, all as currently in effect. These authorities are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis. This discussion does not consider the effect of any applicable foreign, state, local, or other tax laws.

The federal tax discussion set forth below is included for general information only and may not be applicable depending upon a holder's particular situation. Holders should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the tax consequences to them of the beneficial ownership and disposition of the notes, including the tax consequences under state, local, foreign and other tax laws and the possible effects of changes in federal or other tax laws.

This subsection describes the tax consequences to a United States holder of owning and disposing of the notes. You are a United States holder if you are a beneficial owner of a note and you are:

- . a citizen or resident of the United States;
- . a corporation, partnership or other entity created or organized under the laws of the United States or political subdivision thereof;
- . an estate whose income is subject to United States federal income tax regardless of its source; or
- . a trust if a United States court can exercise primary supervision over the trust's administration and one or more United States persons are authorized to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

If a partnership holds our notes, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. If you are a partner of a partnership holding our notes, you should consult your tax advisor. If you are not a United States holder, this section does not apply to you and you should refer to the section titled "Foreign Holders" below.

Payments of Interest. The notes will not be considered as issued with "original issue discount" for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Accordingly, a United States holder will be taxed on any stated interest on its note as ordinary income at the time such holder receives the interest or when it accrues, depending on the holder's method of accounting for tax purposes.

Exchange of Old Notes for New Notes Pursuant to this Exchange Offer. The exchange of the old notes for these substantially identical new notes registered under the Securities Act that do not differ materially in kind or extent from the old notes will not constitute a taxable event for United States federal income tax purposes. Accordingly, the exchange should have no United States federal income tax consequences to a United States holder, so that the United States holder's holding period and adjusted tax basis for a note would not be affected, and the United States holder would continue to take into account income in respect of a note in the same manner as before the exchange.

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Sale, Exchange or Redemption of a Note. Upon the disposition of a note by sale, exchange or redemption, a United States holder will generally recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between (i) the amount of cash proceeds and the fair market value of any property a United States holder receives on the sale, exchange or redemption, except to the extent such amount is attributable to accrued interest not previously included in income, which is taxable as ordinary income, and (ii) such holder's adjusted federal income tax basis in the note. A United States holder's initial tax basis in a note generally will be the purchase price of the note. Such gain or loss will generally constitute capital gain or loss and will be long-term capital gain or loss if the United States holder has held the note for longer than one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to certain limitations.

Foreign Holders

A foreign holder is a beneficial owner of a note that is not a United States holder. The following discussion is a summary of material United States federal tax considerations for a foreign holder of notes. Special rules may apply to certain foreign holders, such as "controlled foreign corporations," "passive foreign investment companies," "foreign personal holding companies," and corporations that accumulate earnings to avoid United States federal income tax, that are subject to special treatment under the Code. These entities should consult their own tax advisors to determine the United States federal, state, local and other tax consequences that may be relevant to them.

Payments of Interest. Subject to the discussion below concerning backup withholding, payments of interest on the notes by us or any paying agent of ours to any foreign holder will not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax provided that (i) the foreign holder does not actually or constructively own 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of our voting stock, (ii) the certification requirement, as described

below, has been fulfilled with respect to the beneficial owner of the note, and (iii) the interest is not effectively connected with the conduct of a U.S. trade or business of the foreign holder.

The certification requirement referred to above will be fulfilled if the beneficial owner of a note certifies on IRS Form W-8BEN (or other appropriate substitute form) under penalties of perjury, that the beneficial owner is not a U.S. person and provides its name and address, and (1) such beneficial owner files such IRS Form W-8BEN (or other appropriate substitute form) with the withholding agent or, (2) in the case of a note held on behalf of the beneficial owner by a securities clearing organization, bank or other financial institution holding customers' securities in the ordinary course of its trade or business that holds a note on behalf of such beneficial owner, such financial institution files a statement with the withholding agent in which it certifies, under penalties of perjury, that it has received the Form W-8BEN (or other appropriate substitute form) from the foreign holder and furnishes the withholding agent with a copy thereof.

The gross amount of payments of interest that do not qualify for the exception from withholding described above will be subject to U.S. withholding tax at a rate of 30% unless a treaty applies to reduce or eliminate withholding and the foreign holder properly certifies to its entitlement to such treaty benefits. If the interest on the notes, however, is effectively connected with the conduct by the foreign holder (or a partnership in which the foreign holder is a partner, or a trust or estate of which the foreign holder is a beneficiary) of a business within the United States (or if a tax treaty applies, such interest is attributable to a permanent establishment maintained in the United States by the foreign holder) then such interest will generally be subject to tax to the foreign holder in the same manner as a United States holder. In addition, such effectively connected income received by a foreign holder which is a corporation may in certain circumstances be subject to an additional "branch profits tax" at a 30% rate or, if applicable, a lower treaty rate.

Sale, Exchange or Redemption of a Note. A foreign holder generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax or withholding tax on gain realized on the sale, exchange or redemption of notes unless (1) the holder is an individual who was present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year of the sale, exchange or redemption, and certain other conditions are met, or (2) the gain is effectively connected with the

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conduct of a trade or business of the holder in the United States and, if a treaty applies, such gain is attributable to a permanent establishment maintained in the United States by such holder.

U.S. Federal Estate Tax

A note held by an individual who is not for United States federal estate tax purposes a citizen or resident of the United States at the time of death will not be includable in the decedent's gross estate for United States federal estate tax purposes, provided that such holder or beneficial owner did not at the time of death actually or constructively own 10% or more of the combined voting power of our stock entitled to vote, and provided that, at the time of death, payments with respect to such note would not have been effectively connected with the conduct by such foreign holder of a trade or business within the United States.

Backup Withholding and Information Reporting

Under current United States federal income tax law, a backup withholding tax at the tax rate of 30% for years 2002 and 2003, 29% for years 2004 and 2005, 28% for years 2006 through 2010 and 31% for years after 2010, and information reporting requirements apply to certain payments of principal and interest made to, and to proceeds of sale before maturity by, certain holders of the notes.

In the case of a United States holder, information reporting requirements and a backup withholding tax will apply to payments of principal or interest, and payments of the proceeds of the sale of a note if the United States holder (i) fails to furnish or certify properly its correct taxpayer identification number to the payer in the manner required, (ii) is notified by the IRS that it has failed to report payments of interest or dividends properly or (iii) under

certain circumstances, fails to certify that it has not been notified by the IRS that it is subject to backup withholding for failure to report interest or dividend payments.

Backup withholding and information reporting do not apply with respect to payments made to certain exempt recipients, including a corporation (within the meaning of Code Section 7701(a)). The amount of any backup withholding imposed upon a payment to a United States holder will be allowed as a credit against that holder's United States federal income tax liability and may entitle that holder to a refund, provided that required information is furnished to the IRS.

In the case of a foreign holder, backup withholding and information reporting will generally not apply to payments of principal or interest made by us or our paying agent (absent actual knowledge that the holder is actually a United States holder) if the holder has provided the properly required certification under penalties of perjury that it is not a United States holder or has otherwise established an exemption. Failure to provide such certifications in accordance with the requirements of the Code and applicable Treasury Regulations could subject a holder to withholding even if such holder were otherwise entitled to an exemption from withholding.

Foreign holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the application of information reporting and backup withholding in their particular situations, the availability of an exemption therefrom, and the procedure for obtaining this exemption, if available, and the impact, if any, of the recent Treasury Regulations. Any amounts withheld from a payment to a foreign holder under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a credit against that holder's United States federal income tax liability and may entitle that holder to a refund, provided that required information is furnished to the Internal Revenue Service.

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We are not using any underwriters for this exchange offer, and we are bearing the expenses of the exchange.

Each broker-dealer that receives new notes for its own account pursuant to this exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the new notes. This prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of new notes received in exchange for old notes if the old notes were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. We have agreed that, starting on the date we issue the new notes and ending no later than the close of business on the date which is 180 days after the completion of this exchange offering, we will make this prospectus, as amended or supplemented, available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any resale.

We will not receive any proceeds from any sale of new notes by broker-dealers. New notes received by broker-dealers for their own account pursuant to this exchange offer may be sold from time to time in one or more transactions in the over-the-counter market, in negotiated transactions, through the writing of options on the new notes or a combination of these methods of resale, at market prices prevailing at the time of resale, at prices related to the prevailing market prices or negotiated prices. Any resale may be made directly to purchasers or to or through brokers or dealers who may receive compensation in the form of commissions or concessions from any broker-dealer and/or the purchasers of any new notes. Any broker-dealer that sells new notes that were received by it for its own account pursuant to this exchange offer and any broker or dealer that participates in a distribution of new notes may be deemed to be an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act and any profit of any resale of the new notes and any commissions or concessions received by any of these persons may be deemed to be underwriting compensation under the Securities Act. The letter of transmittal states that by acknowledging that it will deliver and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act.

For a period of up to 180 days after the completion of this exchange offer, we will promptly send additional copies of this prospectus and any amendment or supplement to this prospectus to any broker-dealer that requests these

documents in the letter of transmittal. We have agreed to pay all expenses incident to this exchange offer, other than commissions or concessions of any brokers or dealers, and will indemnify the holders of the old notes (including any broker-dealers) against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

LEGAL MATTERS

Alston & Bird LLP, our legal counsel, will pass upon various legal matters for us with respect to the new notes and the exchange offer.

EXPERTS

Our audited consolidated financial statements and schedules as of December 31, 2001 and 2000, and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2001 have been incorporated by reference into this prospectus and into the registration statement in reliance upon the report of KPMG LLP, independent auditors, incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of Dal-Tile International Inc. and subsidiaries, as of December 28, 2001 and December 29, 2000, and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 28, 2001 included in our Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 20, 2002, which has been incorporated herein by reference and which is referred to and made a part of this registration statement, have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent auditors, as set forth in their report thereon and incorporated by reference in reliance upon such report given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

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[LOGO] MOHAWK INDUSTRIES, INC.

Offer to Exchange \$300,000,000 of Its 6.50% Notes Due 2007, Series C and \$400,000,000 of Its 7.20% Notes Due 2012, Series D,
Registered under the Securities Act, for \$300,000,000 of Its
Outstanding Unregistered 6.50% Notes due 2007, Series A and \$400,000,000 of Its
Outstanding Unregistered 7.20% Notes due 2012, Series B

PROSPECTUS

, 2002

PART II. INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 20. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Under Delaware law, a corporation generally may indemnify directors and officers:

- . for actions taken in good faith and in a manner they reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation; and
- . with respect to any criminal proceeding, if the directors and officers had no reasonable cause to believe that their conduct was unlawful.

In addition, Delaware law provides that a corporation may advance to a director or officer expenses incurred in defending any action upon receipt of an undertaking by the director or officer to repay the amount advanced if it is ultimately determined that he or she is not entitled to indemnification.

The Mohawk bylaws provide that any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be a party to, or is involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, arbitrative or investigative, because that person is or was a director or officer, or is or was serving at the request of Mohawk as a director, officer, employee or agent of another

corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, will be indemnified and held harmless by Mohawk to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law. The indemnification rights conferred by Mohawk are not exclusive of any other right which persons seeking indemnification may be entitled under any statute, Mohawk's certificate of incorporation or bylaws, any agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise. Mohawk is authorized to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of its directors and officers.

In addition, Mohawk may pay expenses incurred by its directors and officers in defending a civil or criminal action, suit or proceeding because they are directors or officers in advance of the final disposition of the action, suit or proceeding. The payment of expenses will be made only if Mohawk receives an undertaking by or on behalf of a director or officer to repay all amounts advanced if it is ultimately determined that the director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified by Mohawk, as authorized by Mohawk's certificate of incorporation and bylaws.

Item 21. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

(a) The following exhibits are filed as part of this registration statement:

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit

- 4.1 Indenture, dated as of April 2, 2002, between Mohawk Industries, Inc. and Wachovia Bank, National Association, as trustee.
- 4.2 Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of April 2, 2002, by and among Mohawk Industries, Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co., First Union Securities, Inc. and SunTrust Capital Markets, Inc.
- 4.3 Form of 6.50% Note Due 2007, Series C and Form of 7.20% Note Due 2012, Series D (included in Exhibit 4.1).
- 5.1 Opinion of Alston & Bird LLP.

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Exhibit No.	Description	of Exhibit

- 12.1 Statements re Computation of Ratios.
- 23.1 Consent of Alston & Bird LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
- 23.2 Consent of KPMG LLP.
- 23.3 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP.
- 24.1 Power of Attorney for the directors and officers of Mohawk Industries, Inc. (included on page II-4 hereof).
- 25.1 Statement of Eligibility of Trustee on Form T-1.

Item 22. Undertakings

A. Rule 415 Offering

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, an effective amendment to this registration statement: (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933; (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that

which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

B. Subsequent Documents Incorporated By Reference

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for the purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

$\hbox{C.}\quad \hbox{Indemnification of Officers, Directors and Controlling Persons}$

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers, and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer, or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit, or

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proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer, or controlling person of the registrant in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

D. Information Requests

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes to respond to requests for information that is incorporated by reference into the prospectus pursuant to Items 4, 10(b), 11, or 13 of Form S-4, within one business day of receipt of such request, and to send the incorporated documents by first class mail or other equally prompt means. The undertaking above includes information contained in documents filed subsequent to the effective date of the registration statement through the date of responding to the request.

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes to supply by means of a post-effective amendment all information concerning a transaction, and the company being acquired involved therein, that was not the subject of and included in the registration statement when it became effective.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Calhoun, State of Georgia on this 19th day of April, 2002.

MOHAWK INDUSTRIES, INC.

By: /s/ JEFFREY S. LORBERBAUM

Jeffrey S. Lorberbaum

President and Chief Executive

Officer

We, the undersigned directors and officers of Mohawk Industries, Inc. do hereby constitute and appoint Jeffrey S. Lorberbaum and John D. Swift, and each of them, our true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for us and in our name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments including post effective amendments to this Registration Statement including any registration statement filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and we do hereby ratify and confirm all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or their substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons on behalf of the registrant in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Name	Title	Date
	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	April 19, 2002
	Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	April 19, 2002
/s/ DAVID L. KOLB	Director	April 19, 2002
David L. Kolb		
/s/ LEO BENATAR	Director	April 19, 2002
Leo Benatar		
/s/ BRUCE C. BRUCKMANN	Director	April 19, 2002
Bruce C. Bruckmann		
/s/ JOHN F. FIEDLER	Director	April 19, 2002
John F. Fiedler		
/s/ LARRY W. MCCURDY	Director	April 19, 2002
Larry W. McCurdy		

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Name Title Date

/s/ W. CHRISTOPHER WELLBORN	Director	April	19,	2002
W. Christopher Wellborn				
/s/ ROBERT N. POKELWALDT	Director	April	19,	2002
Robert N. Pokelwaldt				
/s/ SYLVESTER H. SHARPE	Director	April	16,	2002
Sylvester H. Sharpe				

MOHAWK INDUSTRIES, INC. as Issuer,

6.50% Notes due 2007

7.20% Notes dues 2012

INDENTURE

Dated as of April 2, 2002

Wachovia Bank, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

as Trustee

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INDENTURE, dated as of April 2, 2002, by and between Mohawk Industries, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and Wachovia Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee").

Each party hereto agrees as follows for the benefit of each other party and for the equal and ratable benefit of the Holders of the Company's 6.50% Series A Notes due 2007 (the "Series A Notes") and the Holders of the Company's 7.20% Series B Notes due 2012 (the "Series B Notes") and the classes of 6.50% Series C Notes due 2007 (the "Series C Notes") and 7.20% Series D Notes due 2012 (the "Series D Notes") to be respectively exchanged therefor:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS AND INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

SECTION 1.1. DEFINITIONS

"144A Global Note" means one or more Global Notes bearing the Private Placement Legend that will be issued in an aggregate amount of denominations equal in total to the outstanding principal amount of the Notes sold in reliance on Rule 144A.

"501 Global Note" means one or more Global Notes bearing the Private Placement Legend that will be issued in an aggregate amount of denominations equal in total to the outstanding principal amount of the Notes sold to Institutional Accredited Investors.

"Acceleration Notice" shall have the meaning specified in Section 6.2.

"Additional Notes" means additional Notes having identical terms and conditions to a series of Initial Notes that may be issued pursuant to this

Indenture after the Issue Date, other than pursuant to an Exchange Offer or otherwise in exchange for or in replacement of outstanding Notes.

"Affiliate" means any Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with the Company. For purposes of this definition, the term "control" means the power to direct the management and policies of a Person, directly or through one or more intermediaries, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract, or otherwise; provided, that with respect to ownership interest in the Company and its Subsidiaries, a Beneficial Owner of 10% or more of the total voting power normally entitled to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees, as applicable, shall for such purposes be deemed to constitute control.

"Agent" means any Registrar, Paying Agent or co-Registrar.

"Applicable Procedures" means, with respect to any transfer or exchange of or for beneficial interests in any Global Note, the rules and procedures of the Depositary, Euroclear and Clearstream that apply to such transfer or exchange at the relevant time.

"Attributable Debt" means, on the date of any determination, the present value of the obligation of the lessee for Net Rental Payments during the remaining term of the lease included in a Sale and Lease-Back Transaction, including any period for which such lease has been extended or may, at the option of the lessor, be extended. Such present value shall be calculated using a discount rate equal to the interest rate set forth or implicit in the terms of such lease or, if not practicable to determine such rate, the weighted average interest rate per annum borne by the Notes, in either case compounded semiannually.

"Authentication Order" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.2.

"Bankruptcy Law" means Title 11, U.S. Code, or any similar Federal, state or foreign law for the relief of debtors.

"Beneficial Owner" or "beneficial owner" for purposes of the definition of Affiliate has the meaning attributed to it in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act (as in effect on the Issue Date), whether or not applicable.

"Board of Directors" means, with respect to any Person, the board of directors of such Person or any committee of the Board of Directors of such Person authorized, with respect to any particular matter, to exercise the power of the board of directors of such Person.

"Board Resolution" means, with respect to any Person, a duly adopted resolution of the Board of Directors of such Person.

"Broker-Dealer" means any broker-dealer that receives Exchange Notes for its own account in the Exchange Offer in exchange for Notes that were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making or other trading activities.

"Business Day" means each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday which is not a day on which banking institutions in New York, New York are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close.

"Cash" or "cash" means such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of public or private debts.

"Clearstream" means Clearstream Banking S.A., or its successors.

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

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"Company" means the party named as such in this Indenture until a successor replaces it pursuant to this Indenture, and thereafter means such successor.

"Consolidated Net Tangible Assets" means, on the date of any determination, the aggregate amount of assets, less applicable reserves and other properly deductible items, after deducting from that net amount:

- (a) all current liabilities; and
- (b) all goodwill, trademarks, trade names, patents, unamortized debt-discount and other like intangibles.

in each case as set forth on the most recently available consolidated balance sheet of the Company and the Consolidated Subsidiaries, in accordance with GAAP.

"Consolidated Subsidiary" means a Subsidiary of the Company, except a Subsidiary of the Company that neither transacts any substantial portion of its business nor regularly maintains any substantial portion of its fixed assets within the United States, whose financial statements are consolidated with those of the Company in accordance with GAAP.

"Corporate Trust Office" means the principal office of the Trustee at which at any time its corporate trust business shall be administered, which office at the date hereof is located at 12 East 49/th/ Street, 37/th/ Floor, New York, New York 10017, Attention: Corporate Trust Administration, or such other address as the Trustee may designate from time to time by notice to the Holders and the Company, or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee (or such other address as a successor Trustee may designate from time to time by notice to the Holders and the Company), in either case which shall be located in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York.

"Covenant Defeasance" shall have the meaning specified in Section 8.3.

"Custodian" means any receiver, trustee, assignee, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official under any Bankruptcy Law.

"Debt" means, at any time, all obligations of the Company and each Consolidated Subsidiary, to the extent such obligations would appear as a liability upon the consolidated balance sheet of the Company and the Consolidated Subsidiaries, in accordance with GAAP, (1) for borrowed money, (2) evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or other similar instruments, and (3) in respect of any letters of credit supporting any Debt of others, and all quarantees by the Company or any Consolidated Subsidiary of Debt of others.

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"Default" means any event that is or with the passage of time or the giving of notice or both would be an Event of Default.

"Defaulted Interest" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.12.

"Definitive Notes" means one or more certificated Notes due 2007 or Notes due 2012 registered in the name of the Holder thereof and issued in accordance with Section 2.6 hereof, in the form of Exhibit A/1 and Exhibit A/2, respectively, except that such Note shall not include the information called for by footnotes 3, 4 and 8 thereof.

"Depositary" means, with respect to the Notes issuable or issued in whole or in part in global form, the person specified in Section 2.3 as the Depositary with respect to the Notes, until a successor shall have been appointed and become such pursuant to the applicable provision of this Indenture, and, thereafter, "Depositary" shall mean or include such successor.

"Distribution Compliance Period" means the 40-day restricted period, as defined in Rule 903(b)(3) under the Securities Act.

"DTC" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.3.

"Euroclear" means Euroclear Bank S.A/N.V., or its successor, as operator of the Euroclear system.

"Event of Default" shall have the meaning specified in Section 6.1.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder.

"Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement" means the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of the Issue Date, by and among the Company and the other parties named on the signature pages thereof, as such agreement may be amended, modified or supplemented from time to time.

"Exchange Notes" means, collectively, the Series C Notes issued in exchange for Series A Notes and the Series D Notes issued in exchange for Series B Notes, in each case pursuant to an Exchange Offer, or, where the context so requires, the Series C Notes or the Series D Notes, individually.

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

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"Exchange Offer Registration Statement" shall have the meaning set forth in the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.

"Funded Debt" means (1) all Debt for money borrowed having a maturity of more than 12 months from the date as of which the determination is made or having a maturity of 12 months or less but by its terms being renewable or extendible beyond 12 months from such date at the option of the borrower (excluding any amount thereof included in current liabilities) and (2) all rental obligations payable more than 12 months from such date under leases that are capitalized in accordance with GAAP (such rental obligations to be included as Funded Debt at the amount so capitalized).

"GAAP" means United States generally accepted accounting principles as in effect on the Issue Date as set forth in (1) the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, (2) statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board, (3) such other statements by such other entity as approved by a significant segment of the accounting profession in the United States and (4) the rules and regulations of the SEC governing the inclusion of financial statements (including pro forma financial statements) in periodic reports required to be filed pursuant to Section 13 of the Exchange Act, including opinions and pronouncements in staff accounting bulletins and similar written statements from the accounting staff of the SEC. All ratios and computations based on GAAP contained in this Indenture shall be computed in conformity with GAAP.

"Global Notes" means one or more Notes due 2007 or Notes due 2012 in the form of Exhibit A/1 and Exhibit A/2, respectively, that includes the information referred to in footnotes 3, 4 and 8 to the form of such Note, issued under this Indenture, that is deposited with or on behalf of and registered in the name of the Depositary or its nominee.

"Global Note Legend" means the legend set forth in Section 2.6(g)(2), which is required to be placed on all Global Notes issued under this Indenture.

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

"incur" means to, directly or indirectly, issue, assume, guaranty, incur, become directly or indirectly liable with respect to (including as a result of an acquisition (by way of merger, consolidation or otherwise)), or otherwise become responsible for, contingently or otherwise.

"Indenture" means this Indenture, as amended or supplemented from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof.

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"Indirect Participant" means any entity that, with respect to DTC, clears through or maintains a direct or indirect, custodial relationship with a Participant.

"Initial Notes" means, collectively, the Series A Notes and the Series B Notes, each, as supplemented from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof, issued under this Indenture that contain the information referred to in

footnotes 6 and 7 to the form of Note with respect thereto attached hereto as Exhibit A/1 and Exhibit A/2, respectively, or, where the context so requires, the Series A Notes or the Series B Notes, individually.

"Initial Purchasers" means the purchasers named in Schedule I to the Purchase Agreement.

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

"Interest Payment Date" means the stated due date of an installment of interest on the Notes.

"Issue Date" means the date of first issuance of the Notes under this Indenture.

"Legal Defeasance" shall have the meaning specified in Section 8.2.

"Legal Holiday" shall have the meaning specified in Section 10.7.

"Lien" means any mortgage, pledge, hypothecation, encumbrance, security interest, statutory or other lien, or preference, priority or other security or similar agreement or preferential arrangement of any kind or nature whatsoever (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing).

"Maturity Date" means, when used with respect to any Note, the date specified on such Note as the fixed date on which the final installment of principal of such Note is due and payable (in the absence of any acceleration thereof pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture regarding acceleration of Debt).

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

"Net Proceeds" means, with respect to a Sale and Lease-Back Transaction, the aggregate amount of cash or cash equivalents received by the Company or a Consolidated Subsidiary, less the sum of all payments, fees, commissions and expenses incurred in connection with such Sale and Lease-Back Transaction, and less the amount (estimated reasonably and in good faith by the Company) of income, franchise, sales and other

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applicable taxes required to be paid by the Company or any Consolidated Subsidiary in connection with such Sale and Lease-Back Transaction in the taxable year that such Sale and Lease-Back Transaction is consummated or in the immediately succeeding taxable year, the computation of which shall take into account the reduction in tax liability resulting from any available operating losses and net operating loss carryovers, tax credits and tax credit carryforwards, and similar tax attributes.

"Net Rental Payments" means, under any lease of any period, the total amount of rent payable by the lessee after excluding amounts required to be paid on account of maintenance and repairs, insurance, taxes, assessments, water rates and similar charges.

"Notes" means, collectively (i) the Initial Notes, (ii) the Exchange Notes, when and if issued as provided in the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, and (iii) the Additional Notes, or, where the context so requires, a series of Notes, individually.

"Notes due 2007" means the Series A Notes and the Series C Notes, collectively.

"Notes due 2012" means the Series B Notes and the Series D Notes, collectively.

"Officer" means the Chief Executive Officer, the President, any Vice President, the Chief Financial Officer, the Treasurer, the Controller, or the Secretary of the Company.

"Officers' Certificate" means a certificate signed by two Officers or

by an Officer and an Assistant Secretary of the Company and otherwise complying with the requirements of Sections 10.4 and 10.5.

"Opinion of Counsel" means a written opinion from legal counsel who is reasonably acceptable to the Trustee complying with the requirements of Sections 10.4 and 10.5.

"Participant" means, with respect to the Depositary, Euroclear or Clearstream, a Person who has an account with the Depositary, Euroclear or Clearstream, respectively (and, with respect to The Depository Trust Company, shall include Euroclear and Clearstream).

"Paying Agent" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.3.

"Person" or "person" means any corporation, individual, limited liability company, joint stock company, joint venture, partnership, unincorporated association, governmental regulatory entity, country, state or political subdivision thereof, trust, municipality or other entity.

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"Private Placement Legend" means the legend set forth in Section 2.6(g)(1) to be placed on all Notes issued under this Indenture except where specifically stated otherwise by the provisions of this Indenture.

"principal" of any Debt means the principal amount of such Debt as of any date of determination.

"Principal Property" means any mill, manufacturing plant, warehouse or other similar facility or any parcel of real estate or group of contiguous parcels of real estate owned or leased by the Company or any Consolidated Subsidiary on the Issue Date or is thereafter acquired or leased by the Company or any Consolidated Subsidiary and that is located within the United States and the gross book value, without deduction of any depreciation reserves, of which on the date as of which the determination is being made exceeds 1% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets.

"Purchase Agreement" means the Purchase Agreement, dated March 25, 2002, by and among the Company and the Initial Purchasers, as such agreement may be amended, modified or supplemented from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

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

"Record Date" means a record date specified in the Notes whether or not such record date is a Business Day, or, if applicable, as specified in Section 2.12.

"Redemption Date," when used with respect to any Notes due 2007 or any Notes due 2012 to be redeemed, means the date fixed for such redemption pursuant to Article III of this Indenture and Section 5 in the form of Note with respect thereto attached hereto as Exhibit A/1 and Exhibit A/2, respectively.

"Redemption Price," when used with respect to any Note due 2007 or any Note due 2012 to be redeemed, means the redemption price for such redemption pursuant to Section 5 in the form of Note with respect thereto attached hereto as Exhibit A/1 and Exhibit A/2, respectively.

"Reg S Permanent Global Note" means one or more permanent Global Notes bearing the Private Placement Legend, that will be issued in an aggregate amount of denominations equal in total to the outstanding principal amount of the Reg S Temporary Global Note upon expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period.

"Reg S Temporary Global Note" means one or more temporary Global Notes bearing the Private Placement Legend and the Reg S Temporary Global Note Legend, $\,$

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issued in an aggregate amount of denominations equal in total to the outstanding principal amount of the Notes initially sold in reliance on Rule 903 of Regulation S.

"Reg S Temporary Global Note Legend" means the legend set forth in Section $2.6\,(g)\,(3)$, which is required to be placed on all Reg S Temporary Global Notes issued under this Indenture.

"Registrar" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.3.

"Regulation S" means Regulation S promulgated under the Securities Act, as it may be amended from time to time, and any successor provision thereto.

"Regulation S-X" means Regulation S-X promulgated under the Securities Act, as it may be amended from time to time, and any successor provision thereto.

"Regulation S Global Note" means a Reg S Temporary Global Note or a Reg S Permanent Global Note, as the case may be.

"Restricted Definitive Note" means one or more Definitive Notes bearing the Private Placement Legend, issued under this Indenture.

"Restricted Global Note" means one or more Global Notes bearing the Private Placement Legend, issued under this Indenture; provided, that in no case shall an Exchange Note issued in accordance with this Indenture and the terms of the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement be a Restricted Global Note.

"Restricted Note" means a Note, unless or until it has been (i) effectively registered under the Securities Act and disposed of in accordance with the registration statement covering it or (ii) distributed to the public pursuant to Rule 144 (or any similar provision then in force) under the Securities Act; provided, that in no case shall an Exchange Note issued in accordance with this Indenture and the terms and provisions of the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement be a Restricted Note.

"Rule 144A" means Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act, as it may be amended from time to time, and any successor provision thereto.

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

"Sale and Lease-Back Transaction" means any arrangement whereby the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has sold or transferred, or will sell or transfer, property and has or will take back a lease pursuant to which the rental payments are calculated to amortize the purchase price of the property substantially over the useful life of such property.

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"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder.

"Securities Custodian" means the Trustee, as custodian with respect to the Notes in global form, or any successor entity thereto.

"Shelf Registration Statement" shall have the meaning set forth in the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.

"Special Interest " means all special interest then owing pursuant to the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.

"Special Record Date" for payment of any Defaulted Interest means a date fixed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 2.12.

"Stated Maturity," when used with respect to (i) any Notes due 2007, means April 15, 2007, and (ii) any Notes due 2012, means April 15, 2012.

"Subsidiary" means a corporation, a majority of the outstanding voting stock of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company and/or by one or more of its other Subsidiaries, a partnership in which the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company is, at the time, a general partner, and any other entity in which the Company and/or one of its Subsidiaries, directly or indirectly, has a majority ownership interest.

"TIA" means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, (15 U.S. Code (S) (S) 77aaa-77bbbb) as in effect on the date of the execution of this Indenture, except as provided in Section 9.3.

"Transfer Restricted Notes" means Global Notes and Definitive Notes that bear or are required to bear the Private Placement Legend, issued under this Indenture.

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

"Trust Officer" means, when used with respect to the Trustee, any officer within the corporate trust department of the Trustee, including any vice president, assistant vice president, assistant secretary, assistant treasurer, trust officer or any other officer of the Trustee who customarily performs functions similar to those performed by the Persons who at the time shall be such officers, respectively, or to whom any corporate trust matter

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is referred because of such person's knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

"Unrestricted Definitive Note" means one or more Definitive Notes that do not bear and are not required to bear the Private Placement Legend, issued under this Indenture.

"Unrestricted Global Note" means one or more permanent Global Notes representing a series of Notes that does not bear and is not required to bear the Private Placement Legend, issued under this Indenture.

"U.S. Government Obligations" means direct non-callable obligations of, or noncallable obligations guaranteed by, the United States of America for the payment of which obligation or guarantee the full faith and credit of the United States of America is pledged.

SECTION 1.2. INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF TIA

Whenever this Indenture refers to a provision of the TIA, such provision is incorporated by reference in and made a part of this Indenture. The following TIA terms used in this Indenture have the following meanings:

"Commission" means the SEC.

"indenture securities" means the Notes.

"indenture securityholder" means a Holder or a $\operatorname{Securityholder}$.

"indenture to be qualified" means this Indenture.

"indenture trustee" or "institutional trustee" means the

Trustee.

"obligor" on the indenture securities means the Company and any other obligor on the Notes.

All other terms used in this Indenture that are defined by the TIA, defined by TIA reference to another statute or defined by SEC rule and not otherwise defined herein have the TIA meanings assigned to them thereby.

SECTION 1.3. RULES OF CONSTRUCTION

Unless the context otherwise requires:

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- (1) a term has the meaning assigned to it;
- (2) an accounting term not otherwise defined has the meaning

assigned to it in accordance with GAAP;

- (3) "or" is not exclusive;
- (4) "including" means including, without limitation;
- $\mbox{(5)}$ words in the singular include the plural, and words in the plural include the singular;
 - (6) provisions apply to successive events and transactions;
- (7) "herein," "hereof" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or other subdivision; and
- (8) references to Sections or Articles means reference to such Section or Article in this Indenture, unless stated otherwise.

ARTICLE II

THE SECURITIES

SECTION 2.1. FORM AND DATING; SERIES

(a) General. The Notes due 2007 and the related Trustee's certificate -----

of authentication shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A/1. The Notes due 2012 and the related Trustee's certificate of authentication shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A/2. The Notes may have notations, legends or endorsements required by law, stock exchange rule or usage. Each Note shall be dated the date of its authentication. The Notes shall be in denominations of \$1,000\$ and integral multiples thereof.

The Notes may be issued in the series and on the terms set forth therein and in this Indenture. The terms and provisions contained in the Notes shall constitute, and are hereby expressly made, a part of this Indenture, and the Company and the Trustee, by their execution and delivery of this Indenture, expressly agree to such terms and provisions and to be bound thereby. However, to the extent any provision of any Note conflicts with the express provisions of this Indenture, the provisions of this Indenture shall govern and be controlling.

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(b) Global Notes. Notes due 2007 and Notes due 2012 issued in global

form shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A/1 and Exhibit A/2, respectively (including the Global Note Legend thereon and the "Schedule of Exchanges of Interests in the Global Note" attached thereto). Notes due 2007 and Notes due 2012 issued in definitive form shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A/1 and Exhibit A/2, respectively (but without the Global Note Legend thereon and without the "Schedule of Exchanges of Interests in the Global Note" attached thereto). Each Global Note shall represent such of the outstanding Notes of a particular series as shall be specified therein and each shall provide that it shall represent the aggregate principal amount of such outstanding Notes from time to time endorsed thereon and that the aggregate principal amount of such outstanding Notes represented thereby may from time to time be reduced or increased, as appropriate, to reflect exchanges and redemptions. Any endorsement of a Global Note to reflect the amount of any increase or decrease in the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Notes of the series represented thereby shall be made by the Trustee or the Securities Custodian, at the direction of the Trustee, in accordance with instructions given by the Holder thereof as required by Section 2.6 hereof.

(c) Euroclear and Clearstream Procedures Applicable. The provisions

of the "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" and "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear" and the "General Terms and Conditions of Clearstream Banking" and "Customer Handbook" of Clearstream in effect at the relevant time shall be applicable to transfers of beneficial interests in the Regulation S Global Notes that are held by Participants through Euroclear or Clearstream Bank.

SECTION 2.2. EXECUTION AND AUTHENTICATION

Two Officers shall sign the Notes for the Company by manual or facsimile signature. In the case of Definitive Notes, such signatures may be imprinted or otherwise reproduced on such Notes. If an Officer whose signature is on a Note no longer holds that office at the time a Note is authenticated, the Note shall nevertheless be valid. A Note shall not be valid until authenticated by the manual or facsimile signature of the Trustee. The signature shall be conclusive evidence that the Note has been authenticated under this Indenture. The Trustee shall, upon a written order of the Company signed by an Officer (an "Authentication Order"), authenticate Notes for issuance up to the aggregate principal amount stated in such Authentication Order. The aggregate principal amount of Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is unlimited; provided, that Notes authenticated for issuance on the Issue Date shall not exceed \$700,000,000 in aggregate principal amount. The Trustee may appoint an authenticating agent acceptable to the Company to authenticate Notes. An authenticating agent may authenticate Notes whenever the Trustee may do so. Each reference in this Indenture to authentication by the Trustee includes authentication by such agent. An authenticating agent has the same rights as an Agent to deal with Holders or an Affiliate of the Company.

SECTION 2.3. REGISTRAR, PAYING AGENT AND DEPOSITARY

The Company shall maintain an office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, where Notes may be presented for registration of transfer or for exchange ("Registrar") and an office or agency where Notes may be presented for payment ("Paying Agent"). The Registrar shall keep a register of each series of Notes and of their transfer and exchange. The Company may appoint one or more co-registrars and one or more additional paying agents. The term "Registrar" includes any co-registrar and the term "Paying Agent" includes any additional paying agent. The Company may change any Paying Agent or Registrar without notice to any Holder. The Company shall notify the Trustee in writing of the name and address of any Agent not a party to this Indenture. If the Company fails to appoint or maintain an entity other than the Trustee as either Registrar or Paying Agent, the Trustee shall act as such. The Company or any of its Subsidiaries may act as Paying Agent or Registrar. The Company initially appoints The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") to act as Depositary with respect to the Global Notes. The Company initially appoints the Trustee to act as Registrar and Paying Agent and to act as Securities Custodian with respect to the Global Notes.

SECTION 2.4. PAYING AGENT TO HOLD MONEY IN TRUST

The Company shall require each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to agree in writing that the Paying Agent will hold in trust for the benefit of Holders of a series of Notes or the Trustee all money held by the Paying Agent for the payment of principal, premium or Special Interest, if any, or interest on such series of Notes and will notify the Trustee of any default by the Company in making any such payment. While any such default continues, the Trustee may require a Paying Agent to pay all money held by it to the Trustee. The Company at any time may require a Paying Agent to pay all money held by it to the Trustee. Upon payment over to the Trustee, the Paying Agent (if other than the Company or a Subsidiary) shall have no further liability for the money. If the Company or a Subsidiary acts as Paying Agent, it shall segregate and hold in a separate trust fund for the benefit of the Holders of a series of Notes all money held by it as Paying Agent with respect to such series of Notes. Upon any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings relating to the Company, the Trustee shall serve as Paying Agent for the Notes.

SECTION 2.5. HOLDER LISTS

The Trustee shall preserve, in as current a form as is reasonably practicable, the most recent list available to it of the names and addresses of all Holders of each series of Notes, by series, and shall otherwise comply with TIA (S)312(a). If the Trustee is not the Registrar, the Company shall furnish, or shall cause the Registrar (if

other times as the Trustee may request in writing, a list in such form and as of such date as the Trustee may reasonably require of the names and addresses of the Holders of such series, and the Company shall otherwise comply with TIA (S) 312(a).

SECTION 2.6. TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE

All of the provisions of this Section 2.6 shall apply to each series of Notes individually.

(a) Transfer and Exchange of Global Notes. A Global Note may

not be transferred except as a whole by the Depositary to a nominee of the Depositary, by a nominee of the Depositary to the Depositary or to another nominee of the Depositary, or by the Depositary or any such nominee to a successor Depositary or a nominee of such successor Depositary. All Global Notes will be exchanged by the Company for Definitive Notes if (i) the Company delivers to the Trustee notice from the Depositary that (x) the Depositary is unwilling or unable to continue to act as Depositary for the Global Notes and the Company thereupon fails to appoint a successor Depositary within 90 days or (y) the Depositary is no longer a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act, (ii) the Company, in its sole discretion, determines that the Global Notes (in whole but not in part) should be exchanged for Definitive Notes and delivers a written notice to such effect to the Trustee or (iii) upon request of the Trustee or Holders of a majority of the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Notes if there shall have occurred and be continuing a Default or Event of Default with respect to the Notes; provided, that the Reg S Temporary Global Note shall be exchanged by the Company for Definitive Notes prior to the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period only as set forth in Section 2.6(c)(4). Upon the occurrence of any of the preceding events in (i), (ii) or (iii) above, Definitive Notes shall be issued in such names as the Depositary shall instruct the Trustee. Global Notes also may be exchanged or replaced, in whole or in part, as provided in Sections 2.7 and 2.10 hereof. Every Note authenticated and delivered in exchange for, or in lieu of, a Global Note or any portion thereof, pursuant to this Section 2.6 or Section 2.7 or 2.10 hereof, shall be authenticated and delivered in the form of, and shall be, a Global Note. A Global Note may not be exchanged for another Note other than as provided in this Section 2.6(a), however, beneficial interests in a Global Note may be transferred and exchanged as provided in Section 2.6(b), (c) or (f) hereof.

(b) Transfer and Exchange of Beneficial Interests in the Global

Notes. The transfer and exchange of beneficial interests in the Global Notes $\overline{}$

shall be effected through the Depositary, in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture and the Applicable Procedures. Beneficial interests in the Restricted Global Notes shall be subject to restrictions on transfer comparable to those set forth herein to the extent required by the

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Securities Act. Transfers of beneficial interests in the Global Notes also shall require compliance with either subparagraph (1) or (2) below, as applicable, as well as one or more of the other following subparagraphs, as applicable:

(1) Transfer of Beneficial Interests in the Same Global Note.

Beneficial interests in any Restricted Global Note may be transferred to Persons who take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in the same Restricted Global Note in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Private Placement Legend; provided, however, that prior to the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, transfers of beneficial interests in the Reg S Temporary Global Note may not be made to a U.S. person (as such term is defined in Regulation S) or for the account or benefit of a U.S. person (other than an Initial Purchaser), except as permitted by Regulation S. Beneficial interests in any Unrestricted Global Note may be transferred to Persons who take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note. No written orders or instructions shall be required to be delivered to the Registrar to effect the transfers described in this Section 2.6(b)(1), but the Company or the Trustee may request an opinion of counsel.

(2) All Other Transfers and Exchanges of Beneficial Interests

in Global Notes (including for Definitive Notes). In connection with all

transfers and exchanges of beneficial interests that are not subject to Section 2.6(b)(1) above, the transferor of such beneficial interest must deliver to the Registrar either (A) (1) an order from a Participant or an Indirect Participant given to the Depositary in accordance with the Applicable Procedures directing the Depositary to credit or cause to be credited a beneficial interest in another Global Note in an amount equal to the beneficial interest to be transferred or exchanged and (2) instructions given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures containing information regarding the Participant account to be credited with such increase or (B) (1) an order from a Participant or an Indirect Participant given to the Depositary in accordance with the Applicable Procedures directing the Depositary to cause to be issued a Definitive Note in an amount equal to the beneficial interest to be transferred or exchanged and (2) instructions given by the Depositary to the Registrar containing information regarding the Person in whose name such Definitive Note shall be registered to effect the transfer or exchange referred to in (B)(1) above; provided, that Definitive Notes shall be issued upon the transfer or exchange of beneficial interests in the Reg S Temporary Global Note prior to the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period only as set forth in Section 2.6(c)(4). Upon consummation of an Exchange Offer by the Company in accordance with Section 2.6(f) hereof, the requirements of this Section 2.6(b)(2) shall be deemed to have been satisfied upon receipt by the Registrar of the instructions contained in the Letter of Transmittal delivered by the Holder of such beneficial interests in the

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Restricted Global Notes. Upon satisfaction of all of the requirements for transfer or exchange of beneficial interests in Global Notes contained in this Indenture and the Notes or otherwise applicable under the Securities Act, the Trustee shall adjust the principal amount of the relevant Global Note(s) pursuant to Section 2.6(h) hereof.

(3) Transfer of Beneficial Interests to Another Restricted
Global Note. A beneficial interest in any Restricted Global Note may

be transferred to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in another Restricted Global Note if the transfer complies with the requirements of Section 2.6(b)(2) above and the Registrar receives the following:

- (A) if the transferee will take delivery in the form of a beneficial interest in the 144A Global Note, then the transferor must deliver a certificate in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (1) thereof;
- (B) if the transferee will take delivery in the form of a beneficial interest in the 501 Global Note, then the transferor must deliver a certificate in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3) (d) thereof; or
- (C) if the transferee will take delivery in the form of a beneficial interest in the Reg S Temporary Global Note or the Reg S Permanent Global Note, then the transferor must deliver a certificate in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (2) thereof.
- (4) Transfer and Exchange of Beneficial Interests in a

 Restricted Global Note for Beneficial Interests in an Unrestricted

 Global Note. A beneficial interest in any Restricted Global Note

may be exchanged by any holder thereof for a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note or transferred to a Person who takes

delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in an the requirements of Section $2.6\,(b)\,(2)$ above and:

(A) such exchange or transfer is effected pursuant to the Exchange Offer in accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and Section 2.6(f) hereof, and the holder of the beneficial interest to be transferred, in the case of an exchange, or the transferee, in the case of a transfer, certifies in the applicable Letter of Transmittal that it is not (1) a Broker-Dealer, (2) a Person participating in the distribution of

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the Exchange Notes or (3) a Person who is an affiliate (as defined in Rule 144) of the Company;

- (B) such transfer is effected pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement in accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(c) thereof, is delivered by the transferor;
- (C) such transfer is effected by a Broker-Dealer pursuant to the Exchange Offer Registration Statement in accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(c) thereof, is delivered by the transferor; or
- the Registrar receives the following: (1) if the holder of such beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note proposes to exchange such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note, a certificate from such holder in the form of Exhibit C hereto, including the certifications in item (1)(a) thereof; or (2) if the holder of such beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note proposes to transfer such beneficial interest to a Person who shall take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note, a certificate from such holder in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (4) thereof; and, in each such case set forth in this subparagraph (D), an Opinion of Counsel in form, and from legal counsel, reasonably acceptable to the Registrar and the Company to the effect that such exchange or transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act and that the restrictions on transfer contained herein and in the Private Placement Legend are no longer required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act.

If any such transfer is effected pursuant to subparagraph (B) or (D) above at a time when an Unrestricted Global Note has not yet been issued, the Company shall issue and, upon receipt of an Authentication Order in accordance with Section 2.2 hereof, the Trustee shall authenticate one or more Unrestricted Global Notes in an aggregate principal amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of beneficial interests transferred pursuant to subparagraph (B) or (D) above. Beneficial interests in an Unrestricted Global Note cannot be exchanged for, or transferred to Persons who take delivery thereof in the form of, a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note.

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(c) Transfer and Exchange of Beneficial Interests for

Definitive Notes. Transfer and exchange of beneficial interests in the Global -----

Notes for Definitive Notes shall be made subject to compliance with this Section 2.6(c), and the requesting Holder shall provide any certifications, documents and information, as applicable, required pursuant to the following provisions of this Section 2.6(c). Upon receipt of such applicable documentation, the Trustee shall cause the aggregate principal amount of the applicable Restricted Global

Note or Unrestricted Global Note, as applicable, to be reduced accordingly pursuant to Section 2.6 (h) hereof, and the Company shall execute and, upon receipt of an Authentication Order pursuant to Section 2.2, the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Person designated in the instructions a Restricted Definitive Note or an Unrestricted Definitive Note, as applicable, in the appropriate principal amount. Any Definitive Note issued in exchange for a beneficial interest in a Global Note pursuant to this Section 2.6(c) shall be registered in such name or names and in such authorized denomination or denominations as the Holder of such beneficial interest shall instruct the Registrar through instructions from the Depositary and the Participant or Indirect Participant. The Trustee shall deliver such Definitive Notes to the Persons in whose names such Definitive Notes are so registered.

(1) Beneficial Interests in Restricted Global Notes

to Restricted Definitive Notes. If any holder of a beneficial interest

in a Restricted Global Note proposes to exchange such beneficial interest for a Restricted Definitive Note or to transfer such beneficial interest to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a Restricted Definitive Note, then, upon receipt by the Registrar of the following documentation:

- (A) if the holder of such beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note proposes to exchange such beneficial interest for a Restricted Definitive Note, a certificate from such holder in the form of Exhibit C hereto, including the certifications in item (2)(a) thereof;
- (B) if such beneficial interest is being transferred to a QIB in accordance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (1) thereof;
- (C) if such beneficial interest is being transferred to a Non-U.S. Person (as such term is defined in Regulation S) in an offshore transaction in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (2) thereof;

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- (D) if such beneficial interest is being transferred to an Institutional Accredited Investor in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act other than those listed in subparagraphs (B) and (C) above, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications, certificates and Opinion of Counsel required by item (3)(d) thereof, if applicable; or
- (E) if such beneficial interest is being transferred to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certification in item (3)(b) thereof.

Any Restricted Definitive Note issued in exchange for a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note pursuant to this Section 2.6(c) (1) shall bear the Private Placement Legend and shall be subject to all restrictions on transfer contained therein.

(2) Beneficial Interests in Restricted Global Notes to

Unrestricted Definitive Notes. A holder of a beneficial interest in a

Restricted Global Note may exchange such beneficial interest for an Unrestricted Definitive Note or may transfer such beneficial interest to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of an Unrestricted Definitive Note only if:

(A) such exchange or transfer is effected pursuant to the Exchange Offer in accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and Section 2.6(f) hereof, and the holder of such beneficial interest, in the case of an exchange, or the transferee, in the case of a

transfer, certifies in the applicable Letter of Transmittal that it is not (1) a Broker-Dealer, (2) a Person participating in the distribution of the Exchange Notes or (3) a Person who is an affiliate (as defined in Rule 144) of the Company;

- (B) such transfer is effected pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement in accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(c) thereof, is delivered by the transferor;
- (C) such transfer is effected by a Broker-Dealer pursuant to the Exchange Offer Registration Statement in accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(c) thereof, is delivered by the transferor; or

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(D) the Registrar receives the following: (1) if the holder of such beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note proposes to exchange such beneficial interest for an Unrestricted Definitive Note, a certificate from such holder in the form of Exhibit C hereto, including the certifications in item (1)(b) thereof; or (2) if the holder of such beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note proposes to transfer such beneficial interest to a Person who shall take delivery thereof in the form of an Unrestricted Definitive Note, a certificate from such holder in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (4) thereof; and, in each such case set forth in this subparagraph (D), an Opinion of Counsel in form, and from legal counsel, reasonably acceptable to the Registrar $\,$ and the Company to the effect that such exchange or transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act and that the restrictions on transfer contained herein and in the Private Placement Legend are no longer required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities

Beneficial interests in an Unrestricted Global Note cannot be exchanged for, or transferred to Persons who take delivery thereof in the form of, a Restricted Definitive Note.

(3) Beneficial Interests in Unrestricted Global Notes to

Unrestricted Definitive Notes. If any holder of a beneficial interest in

an Unrestricted Global Note proposes to exchange such beneficial interest for an Unrestricted Definitive Note or to transfer such beneficial interest to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of an Unrestricted Definitive Note, then such holder shall satisfy the applicable conditions set forth in Section 2.6(b)(2) hereof. Any Unrestricted Definitive Note issued in exchange for a beneficial interest pursuant to this Section 2.6(c)(3) shall not bear the Private Placement Legend.

(4) Transfer or Exchange of Reg S Temporary Global Notes.

Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Section 2.6, a beneficial interest in the Reg S Temporary Global Note may not be (A) exchanged for a Definitive Note prior to (x) the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period (unless such exchange is approved by the Company, does not require an investment decision on the part of the Holder thereof and does not violate the provisions of Regulation S) and (y) the receipt by the Registrar of any certificates identified by the Company or its counsel to be required pursuant to Rule 903(b)(3)(ii)(B) under the Securities Act or (B) transferred to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a Definitive Note prior to the events set forth in clause (A) above or unless the transfer is pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act other than Rule 903 or Rule 904.

(d) Transfer and Exchange of Definitive Notes for Beneficial

Interests. Transfer and exchange of Definitive Notes for beneficial interests in

the Global Notes shall be made subject to compliance with this Section 2.6(d), and the requesting Holder shall provide any certifications, documents and information, as applicable, required pursuant to the following provisions of this Section 2.6(d). Upon receipt from such Holder of such applicable documentation and the surrender to the Registrar of the Definitive Notes duly endorsed or accompanied by a written instruction of transfer in form satisfactory to the Registrar, duly executed by such Holder or by its attorney, duly authorized in writing, the Registrar shall register the transfer or exchange of the Definitive Notes. The Trustee shall cancel such Definitive Notes so surrendered and cause the aggregate principal amount of the applicable Restricted Global Note or Unrestricted Global Note, as applicable, to be increased accordingly pursuant to Section 2.6(h) hereof.

(1) Restricted Definitive Notes to Beneficial Interests

in Restricted Global Notes. If any Holder of a Restricted Definitive

Note proposes to exchange such Note for a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note or to transfer such Restricted Definitive Notes to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note, then, upon receipt by the Registrar of the following documentation:

- (A) if the Holder of such Restricted Definitive Note proposes to exchange such Note for a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note, a certificate from such Holder in the form of Exhibit C hereto, including the certifications in item (2) (b) thereof;
- (B) if such Restricted Definitive Note is being transferred to a QIB in accordance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (1) thereof;
- (C) if such Restricted Definitive Note is being transferred to a Non-U.S. Person in an offshore transaction in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (2) thereof; or
- (D) if such Restricted Definitive Note is being transferred to an Institutional Accredited Investor in accordance with Regulation D under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(d) thereof;

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the Trustee shall cancel the Restricted Definitive Note and increase or cause to be increased the aggregate principal amount of, in the case of clause (A) above, the appropriate Restricted Global Note, in the case of clause (B) above, the 144A Global Note, in the case of clause (C) above, the Regulation S Global Note and in the case of clause (D) above, the 501 Global Note.

(2) Restricted Definitive Notes to Beneficial Interests in

Unrestricted Global Notes. A Holder of a Restricted Definitive Note may

exchange such Note for a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note or transfer such Restricted Definitive Note to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note only if:

(A) such exchange or transfer is effected pursuant to the Exchange Offer in accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and Section 2.6(f) hereof, and the Holder, in the case of an exchange, or the transferee, in the case of a transfer, certifies in the applicable Letter of Transmittal that it is not (1)

a Broker-Dealer, (2) a Person participating in the distribution of the Exchange Notes or (3) a Person who is an affiliate (as defined in Rule 144) of the Company;

- (B) such transfer is effected pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement in accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3) (c) thereof, is delivered by the transferor;
- (C) such transfer is effected by a Broker-Dealer pursuant to the Exchange Offer Registration Statement in accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(c) thereof, is delivered by the transferor; or
- (D) the Registrar receives the following: (1) if the Holder of such Restricted Definitive Notes proposes to exchange such Notes for a beneficial interest in the Unrestricted Global Note, a certificate from such Holder in the form of Exhibit C hereto, including the certifications in item (1)(c) thereof; or (2) if the Holder of such Restricted Definitive Notes proposes to transfer such Notes to a Person who shall take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in the Unrestricted Global Note, a certificate from such Holder in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (4) thereof; and, in each such case set forth in this subparagraph (D), an Opinion of Counsel in form, and from legal counsel,

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reasonably acceptable to the Registrar and the Company to the effect that such exchange or transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act and that the restrictions on transfer contained herein and in the Private Placement Legend are no longer required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act.

(3) Unrestricted Definitive Notes to Beneficial

Interests in Unrestricted Global Notes. A Holder of an Unrestricted

Definitive Note may exchange such Note for a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note or transfer such Definitive Notes to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note at any time.

If any such exchange or transfer from a Definitive Note to a beneficial interest is effected pursuant to subparagraphs (2)(B), (2)(D) or (3) of this Section 2.6(d) at a time when an Unrestricted Global Note has not yet been issued, the Company shall issue and, upon receipt of an Authentication Order in accordance with Section 2.2 hereof, the Trustee shall authenticate one or more Unrestricted Global Notes in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of Definitive Notes so transferred.

(e) Transfer and Exchange of Definitive Notes for Definitive

Notes. Upon request by a Holder of Definitive Notes and such Holder's compliance

with the provisions of this Section 2.6(e), the Registrar shall register the transfer or exchange of Definitive Notes. Prior to such registration of transfer or exchange, the requesting Holder shall present or surrender to the Registrar the Definitive Notes duly endorsed or accompanied by a written instruction of transfer in form satisfactory to the Registrar duly executed by such Holder or by its attorney, duly authorized in writing. The Trustee shall cancel any such Definitive Notes so surrendered, and the Company shall execute and, upon receipt of an Authentication Order pursuant to Section 2.2, the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Person designated in the instructions a Restricted Definitive Note or an Unrestricted Definitive Note, as applicable, in the appropriate principal amount. Any Definitive Note issued pursuant to this Section 2.6(c) shall be registered in such name or names and in such authorized

denomination or denominations as the Holder of such beneficial interest shall instruct the Registrar through instructions from the Depositary and the Participant or Indirect Participant. The Trustee shall deliver such Definitive Notes to the Persons in whose names such Definitive Notes are so registered. In addition, the requesting Holder shall provide any additional certifications, documents and information, as applicable, required pursuant to the following provisions of this Section $2.6\,(\mathrm{e})$.

(1) Restricted Definitive Notes to Restricted Definitive

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Persons who take delivery thereof in the form of a Restricted Definitive Note if the Registrar receives the following:

- (A) if the transfer will be made to a QIB pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act, then the transferor must deliver a certificate in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (1) thereof;
- (B) if the transfer will be made pursuant to Rule 903 or Rule 904, then the transferor must deliver a certificate in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (2) thereof;
- (C) if such beneficial interest is being transferred to an Institutional Accredited Investor in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act other than those listed in subparagraphs (A) and (B) above, then the transferor must deliver a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications, certificates and Opinion of Counsel required by item (3)(d) thereof, if applicable; or
- (D) if such beneficial interest is being transferred to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certification in item (3) (b) thereof, must be delivered by the transferor.
 - (2) Restricted Definitive Notes to Unrestricted

Definitive Notes. Any Restricted Definitive Note may be exchanged by the

Holder thereof for an Unrestricted Definitive Note or transferred to a Person or Persons who take delivery thereof in the form of an Unrestricted Definitive Note if:

- (A) such exchange or transfer is effected pursuant to the Exchange Offer in accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and Section 2.6(f) hereof, and the Holder, in the case of an exchange, or the transferee, in the case of a transfer, certifies in the applicable Letter of Transmittal that it is not (1) a Broker-Dealer, (2) a Person participating in the distribution of the Exchange Notes or (3) a Person who is an affiliate (as defined in Rule 144) of the Company;
- (B) any such transfer is effected pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement in accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B

- (C) any such transfer is effected by a Broker-Dealer pursuant to the Exchange Offer Registration Statement in accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(c) thereof, is delivered by the transferor; or
- (D) the Registrar receives the following: (1) if the Holder of such Restricted Definitive Notes proposes to exchange such Notes for an Unrestricted Definitive Note, a certificate from such Holder in the form of Exhibit C hereto, including the certifications in item (1)(d) thereof; or (2) if the Holder of such Restricted Definitive Notes proposes to transfer such Notes to a Person who shall take delivery thereof in the form of an Unrestricted Definitive Note, a certificate from such Holder in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (4) thereof; and, in each such case set forth in this subparagraph (D), an Opinion of Counsel in form, and from legal counsel, reasonably acceptable to the Registrar and the Company to the effect that such exchange or transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act and that the restrictions on transfer contained herein and in the Private Placement Legend are no longer required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act.

(3) Unrestricted Definitive Notes to Unrestricted Definitive

Notes. A Holder of Unrestricted Definitive Notes may transfer such Notes to $\overline{}$

- a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of an Unrestricted Definitive Note. Upon receipt of a request to register such a transfer, the Registrar shall register the Unrestricted Definitive Notes pursuant to the instructions from the Holder thereof.
 - (f) Exchange Offer. Upon the occurrence of the Exchange Offer in

accordance with the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, the Company shall issue and, upon receipt of an Authentication Order in accordance with Section 2.2 and an Opinion of Counsel for the Company as to certain matters discussed in this Section 2.6(f), the Trustee shall authenticate (i) one or more Unrestricted Global Notes in an aggregate principal amount equal to the sum of (A) the principal amount of the beneficial interests in the Restricted Global Notes exchanged or transferred for beneficial interests in Unrestricted Global Notes in connection with the Exchange Offer pursuant to Section 2.6(b)(4) and (B) the principal amount of Restricted Definitive Notes exchanged or transferred for beneficial interests in Unrestricted Global Notes in connection with the Exchange Offer pursuant to Section 2.6(d)(2), in each case tendered for acceptance by Persons that certify in the applicable Letters of Transmittal that (x) they are not Broker-

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Dealers, (y) they are not participating in a distribution of the Exchange Notes and (z) they are not affiliates (as defined in Rule 144) of the Company, and accepted for exchange in the Exchange Offer, and (ii) Unrestricted Definitive Notes in an aggregate principal amount equal to the sum of (A) the principal amount of the Restricted Definitive Notes exchanged or transferred for Unrestricted Definitive Notes in connection with the Exchange Offer pursuant to Section 2.6(e)(2) and (B) Restricted Global Notes exchanged or transferred for Unrestricted Definitive Notes in connection with the Exchange Offer pursuant to Section 2.6(c)(2), in each case tendered for acceptance by Persons that certify in the applicable Letters of Transmittal that (x) they are not Broker-Dealers, (y) they are not participating in a distribution of the Exchange Notes and (z)they are not affiliates (as defined in Rule 144) of the Company, and accepted for exchange in the Exchange Offer. Concurrently with the issuance of such Notes, the Trustee shall cancel any Definitive Notes so surrendered and shall cause the aggregate principal amount of the applicable Restricted Global Notes to be reduced accordingly, and the Company shall execute and, upon receipt of an Authentication Order pursuant to Section 2.2, the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Persons designated by the Holders of Definitive Notes so accepted Definitive Notes in the appropriate principal amount.

The Opinion of Counsel for the Company referenced above shall state that the issuance and sale of the Exchange Notes by the Company have been duly

authorized and, when executed by the Company and authenticated by the Trustee in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture and delivered in exchange for the applicable Initial Notes in accordance with this Indenture and the Exchange Offer, the Exchange Notes will be entitled to the benefits of this Indenture and will be valid and binding obligations of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by (x) bankruptcy, fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, liquidation, conservatorship, and similar laws, and limitations imposed under judicial decisions related to or affecting creditors' rights and remedies generally and (y) general equitable principles, regardless of whether the issue of enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law, and principles limiting the availability of the remedy of specific performance.

(g) Legends. The following legends shall appear on the face of all ----

Global Notes and Definitive Notes issued under this Indenture unless specifically stated otherwise in the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

- (1) Private Placement Legend.
- (A) Except as permitted by subparagraph (B) below, each Global Note and each Definitive Note (and all Notes issued in exchange therefor or substitution thereof) shall bear the legend in substantially the following form:

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"THE NOTE EVIDENCED HEREBY HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT (A) BY THE INITIAL INVESTOR (1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A, (2) IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (3) PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED BY RULE 144 THEREUNDER (IF AVAILABLE), OR (4) PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, AND (B) BY SUBSEQUENT INVESTORS, AS SET FORTH IN (A) ABOVE, AND, IN ADDITION, TO AN INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT, IN EACH CASE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES."

- (B) Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Global Note or Definitive Note issued pursuant to subparagraphs (b)(4), (c)(2), (c)(3), (d)(2), (d)(3), (e)(2), (e)(3) or (f) to this Section 2.6 (and all Notes issued in exchange therefor or substitution thereof) shall not bear the Private Placement Legend.

"THIS GLOBAL NOTE IS HELD BY THE DEPOSITARY (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE GOVERNING THIS NOTE) OR ITS NOMINEE IN CUSTODY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS HEREOF, AND IS NOT TRANSFERABLE TO ANY PERSON UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES EXCEPT THAT (I) THE TRUSTEE MAY MAKE SUCH NOTATIONS HEREON AS MAY BE REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.6 OF THE INDENTURE, (II) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE EXCHANGED IN WHOLE BUT NOT IN PART PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.6(a) OF THE INDENTURE, (III) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE DELIVERED TO THE TRUSTEE FOR CANCELLATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.11 OF THE INDENTURE AND (IV) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO

"UNLESS AND UNTIL IT IS EXCHANGED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FOR NOTES IN DEFINITIVE FORM, THIS NOTE MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT AS A WHOLE BY THE DEPOSITARY TO A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY OR BY A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY TO THE DEPOSITARY OR TO ANOTHER NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY OR BY THE DEPOSITARY OR ANY SUCH NOMINEE TO A SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE OF SUCH SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY. UNLESS THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY (55 WATER STREET, NEW YORK, NEW YORK) ("DTC"), TO THE COMPANY OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT, AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR SUCH OTHER NAME AS MAY BE REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS MAY BE REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN."

(1) Reg S Temporary Global Note Legend. To the extent required by

the Depositary, each Reg S Temporary Global Note shall bear a legend in substantially the following form:

"THE RIGHTS ATTACHING TO THIS REGULATION S TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE, AND THE CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURES GOVERNING ITS EXCHANGE FOR DEFINITIVE NOTES, ARE AS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE (AS DEFINED HEREIN). NEITHER THE HOLDER NOR THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THIS REGULATION S TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE CASH PAYMENTS OF INTEREST DURING THE PERIOD WHICH SUCH HOLDER HOLDS THIS NOTE. NOTHING IN THIS LEGEND SHALL BE DEEMED TO PREVENT INTEREST FROM ACCRUING ON THIS NOTE."

(h) Cancellation and/or Adjustment of Global Notes. At such time as

all beneficial interests in a particular Global Note have been exchanged for Definitive Notes or a particular Global Note has been redeemed, repurchased or cancelled in whole and not in part, each such Global Note shall be returned to or retained and cancelled by the

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Trustee in accordance with Section 2.11 hereof. At any time prior to such cancellation, if any beneficial interest in a Global Note is exchanged for or transferred to a Person who will take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in another Global Note or for Definitive Notes, the principal amount of Notes represented by such Global Note shall be reduced accordingly and an endorsement may be made on such Global Note by the Trustee or by the Depositary at the direction of the Trustee to reflect such reduction; and if the beneficial interest is being exchanged for or transferred to a Person who will take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in another Global Note, such other Global Note shall be increased accordingly and an endorsement may be made on such Global Note by the Trustee or by the Depositary at the direction of the Trustee to reflect such increase.

- (i) General Provisions Relating to Transfers and Exchanges.
- (1) To permit registrations of transfers and exchanges, the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate Global Notes and Definitive Notes upon receipt of an Authentication Order.
- (2) No service charge shall be made to a holder of a beneficial interest in a Global Note or to a Holder of a Definitive Note for any registration of transfer or exchange, but the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any transfer tax or similar governmental charge payable in connection therewith (other than any such transfer taxes or similar governmental charge payable upon exchange or transfer pursuant to Sections 2.10 and 3.7 hereof).
- (3) The Registrar shall not be required to register the transfer of or exchange any Note selected for redemption in whole or in part, except the unredeemed portion of any Note being redeemed in part.

- (4) All Global Notes and Definitive Notes issued upon any registration of transfer or exchange of Global Notes or Definitive Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Company, evidencing the same Debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Global Notes or Definitive Notes surrendered upon such registration of transfer or exchange.
- (5) The Company shall not be required (A) to issue, to register the transfer of or to exchange any Notes during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the day of any selection of Notes for redemption under Section 3.3 hereof and ending at the close of business on the day of selection, (B) to register the transfer of or to exchange any Note so selected for redemption in whole or in part, except the unredeemed portion of any Note being redeemed in

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- part or (C) to register the transfer of or to exchange a Note between a Record Date and the next succeeding Interest Payment Date.
- (6) Prior to due presentment for the registration of a transfer of any Note, the Trustee, any Agent and the Company may deem and treat the Person in whose name any Note is registered as the absolute owner of such Note for the purpose of receiving payment of principal of and interest on such Notes and for all other purposes, and none of the Trustee, any Agent or the Company shall be affected by notice to the contrary.
- (7) The Trustee shall authenticate Global Notes and Definitive Notes in accordance with the provisions of Section $2.2\ hereof.$
- (8) All certifications, certificates and Opinions of Counsel required to be submitted to the Registrar pursuant to this Section 2.6 to effect a registration of transfer or exchange may be submitted by facsimile.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, as to any certifications and certificates delivered to the Registrar pursuant to this Section 2.6, the Registrar's duties shall be limited to confirming that any such certifications and certificates delivered to it are in the form of Exhibits B, C and D attached hereto. The Registrar shall not be responsible for confirming the truth or accuracy of representations made in any such certifications or certificates.

SECTION 2.7. REPLACEMENT NOTES

If any mutilated Note is surrendered to the Trustee or the Company and the Trustee and the Company receive evidence (which evidence may be from the Trustee) to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, the Company shall issue and the Trustee, upon receipt of an Authentication Order, shall authenticate a replacement Note of the same series if the Trustee's requirements are met. If required by the Trustee or the Company, an indemnity bond must be supplied by the Holder that is sufficient in the judgment of the Trustee and the Company to protect the Company, the Trustee, any Agent and any authenticating agent from any loss that any of them may suffer if a Note is replaced. The Company may charge for its expenses in replacing a Note. Every replacement Note of a series is an additional obligation of the Company and shall be entitled to all of the benefits of this Indenture with respect to such series equally and proportionately with all other Notes of such series duly issued hereunder.

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SECTION 2.8. OUTSTANDING NOTES

The Notes of a series outstanding at any time are all the Notes of such series authenticated by the Trustee (including any Note represented by a Global Note) except for those cancelled by it or at its direction, those delivered to it for cancellation, those reductions in the interest in a Global Note effected by the Trustee in accordance with the provisions hereof, and those described in this Section as not outstanding. Except as set forth in Section 2.9 hereof, a Note does not cease to be outstanding because the Company or an

Affiliate of the Company holds the Note. If a Note is replaced pursuant to Section 2.7 hereof, such Note ceases to be outstanding unless the Trustee receives proof satisfactory to it that the replaced Note is held by a bona fide purchaser. If the principal amount of any Note is considered paid under Section 4.1 hereof, it ceases to be outstanding and interest on it ceases to accrue. If the Paying Agent (other than the Company, a Subsidiary or an Affiliate of any thereof) holds, on a Redemption Date or the Maturity Date, money sufficient to pay a series of Notes payable on that date, then on and after that date such series of Notes shall be deemed to be no longer outstanding and shall cease to accrue interest.

SECTION 2.9. TREASURY NOTES

In determining whether the Holders of the required principal amount of a series of Notes have concurred in any direction, waiver or consent, Notes of such series owned by the Company, or by any Affiliate, shall be considered as though not outstanding, except that for the purposes of determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any such direction, waiver or consent, only Notes of such series that a Trust Officer of the Trustee actually knows are so owned shall be so disregarded.

SECTION 2.10. TEMPORARY NOTES

Until certificates representing a series of Notes are ready for delivery, the Company may prepare, and the Trustee, upon receipt of an Authentication Order, shall authenticate, temporary Notes of that series. Temporary Notes of a series shall be substantially in the form of Definitive Notes of such series but may have variations that the Company considers appropriate for such temporary Notes and as shall be reasonably acceptable to the Trustee. Without unreasonable delay, the Company shall prepare, and the Trustee shall authenticate, Definitive Notes a series in exchange for temporary Notes of such series. Holders of temporary Notes of a series shall be entitled to all of the benefits of this Indenture with respect to such series.

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SECTION 2.11. CANCELLATION

The Company at any time may deliver Notes to the Trustee for cancellation. The Registrar and Paying Agent shall forward to the Trustee any Notes surrendered to them for registration of transfer, exchange or payment. The Trustee, or, at the direction of the Trustee, the Registrar or the Paying Agent (other than the Company or an Affiliate of the Company), and no one else, shall cancel all Notes surrendered for registration of transfer, exchange, payment, replacement or cancellation and shall dispose of cancelled Notes in accordance with its procedures for the disposition of cancelled securities in effect as of the date of such disposition (subject to the record retention requirement of the Exchange Act). Certification of the disposition of all cancelled Notes shall be delivered to the Company. The Company may not issue new Notes of a series to replace Notes of such series that it has paid or that have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation.

SECTION 2.12. DEFAULTED INTEREST

Any interest on any Note of a series which is payable, but is not punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date for such series of Notes, plus, to the extent lawful, any interest payable on the defaulted interest at the rate and in the manner provided in Section 4.1 hereof and in the applicable Note (herein called "Defaulted Interest"), shall forthwith cease to be payable to the registered Holders of such series of Notes on the relevant Record Date, and such Defaulted Interest may be paid by the Company, at its election in each case, as provided in clause (1) or (2) below:

(1) The Company may elect to make payment of any Defaulted Interest to the Persons in whose names Notes of such series are registered at the close of business on a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest, which shall be fixed in the following manner. The Company shall notify the Trustee and the Paying Agent in writing of the amount of Defaulted Interest proposed to be paid on each such Note and the date of the proposed payment, and at the same time the Company shall deposit with the Paying Agent an amount of cash equal to the aggregate amount proposed to be paid in respect of such Defaulted Interest or shall make arrangements reasonably satisfactory to the Paying Agent for such

deposit prior to the date of the proposed payment, such cash when deposited to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to such Defaulted Interest as provided in this clause (1). Thereupon the Paying Agent shall fix a "Special Record Date" for the payment of such Defaulted Interest which shall be not more than 15 days and not less than 10 days prior to the date of the proposed payment and not less than 10 days after the receipt by the Paying Agent of the notice of the proposed payment. The Paying Agent shall promptly notify the Company and the Trustee of such Special Record Date and, in the name and at the

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expense of the Company, shall cause notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor to be mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of such series at its address as it appears in the Note register maintained by the Registrar with respect to such series not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date. Notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor having been mailed as aforesaid, such Defaulted Interest shall be paid to the persons in whose names the Notes of such series (or their respective predecessor Notes) are registered on such Special Record Date and shall no longer be payable pursuant to the following clause (2).

(2) The Company may make payment of any Defaulted Interest in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which the Notes of the affected series may be listed, and upon such notice as may be required by such exchange, if, after notice given by the Company to the Trustee and the Paying Agent of the proposed payment pursuant to this clause, such manner shall be deemed practicable by the Trustee and the Paying Agent.

Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Section, each Note delivered under this Indenture upon registration of transfer of or in exchange for or in lieu of any other Note of the same series shall carry the rights to interest accrued and unpaid, and to accrue, which were carried by such other Note.

SECTION 2.13. CUSIP NUMBERS

The Company in issuing the Notes may use "CUSIP" numbers (if then generally in use), and, if so, the Trustee shall use "CUSIP" numbers in notices of redemption as a convenience to Holders; provided, that any such notice may state that no representation is made as to the correctness of such numbers either as printed on the Notes or as contained in any notice of a redemption and that reliance may be placed only on the other identification numbers printed on the Notes, and any such redemption shall not be affected by any defect in or omission of such numbers. The Company will promptly notify the Trustee of any change in the "CUSIP" numbers.

SECTION 2.14. ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL NOTES

The Company may, subject to applicable law, issue Additional Notes under this Indenture. The Notes of a series issued on the Issue Date and any Additional Notes subsequently issued with respect to such series shall be treated as a single class for all purposes under this Indenture.

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ARTICLE III

REDEMPTION

SECTION 3.1. OPTIONAL REDEMPTION

(a) Each series of Notes shall be redeemable for cash at the option of the Company, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, upon not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days prior notice mailed by first class mail to each Holder of the applicable series at its last registered address, at the Redemption Price.

(b) Any redemption pursuant to this Section 3.1 shall be made pursuant to the provisions of Sections 3.2 through 3.7 hereof and Section 5 of the applicable Note.

SECTION 3.2. NOTICES TO TRUSTEE

If the Company elects to redeem a series of Notes pursuant to Section 5 of such Notes, it shall notify the Trustee and the Paying Agent in writing of the Redemption Date and the principal amount of such Notes to be redeemed and whether it wants the Paying Agent to give notice of redemption to the Holders of such series.

If the Company elects to reduce the principal amount of such Notes to be redeemed pursuant to Section 5 of such Notes by crediting against any such redemption Notes of such series it has not previously delivered to the Trustee and the Paying Agent for cancellation, it shall so notify the Trustee, in the form of an Officers' Certificate, and the Paying Agent of the amount of the reduction and deliver such Notes with such notice.

The Company shall give each notice to the Trustee and the Paying Agent provided for in this Section 3.2 at least 15 days before the date on which the notice of redemption is to be given (unless a shorter notice shall be satisfactory to the Trustee and the Paying Agent). Any such notice may be cancelled at any time prior to notice of such redemption being mailed to any Holder of the applicable series and shall thereby be void and of no effect.

SECTION 3.3. SELECTION OF NOTES TO BE REDEEMED

If less than all of the Notes of a series are to be redeemed at any time, the Trustee shall select such Notes or portions thereof to be redeemed among the Holders of such Notes in compliance with the requirements of the principal national securities exchange, if any, on which such Notes are listed or, if such Notes are not so listed, on a pro rata basis, by lot or in accordance with any other method the Trustee considers fair and appropriate.

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The Trustee shall make the selection from the series of Notes outstanding and not previously called for redemption and shall promptly notify the Company and the Paying Agent in writing of such Notes selected for redemption and, in the case of any such Note selected for partial redemption, the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. Notes in denominations of \$1,000 may be redeemed only in whole. The Trustee may select for redemption portions (equal to \$1,000 or any integral multiple thereof) of the principal of Notes that have denominations larger than \$1,000. Provisions of this Indenture that apply to a series of Notes called for redemption also apply to portions of such Notes called for redemption.

SECTION 3.4. NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

At least 30 days, but not more than 60 days, prior to the Redemption Date with respect to a series of Notes, the Company shall mail a notice of redemption by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the Trustee, the Paying Agent and each Holder of such series of Notes whose Notes are to be redeemed. At the Company's request delivered at least 15 days prior to the date on which such notice is to be given (unless a shorter period shall be acceptable to the Paying Agent), the Paying Agent shall give the notice of redemption in the Company's name and at the Company's expense. Each notice for redemption shall identify the series of Notes to be redeemed and shall state, with respect to such series:

- (1) the Redemption Date;
- (2) the Redemption Price, including Special Interest, if any, to be paid upon such redemption;
 - (3) the name and address of the Paying Agent;
- (4) that Notes called for redemption must be surrendered to the Paying Agent at the address specified in such notice to collect the Redemption Price;
- (5) that, unless (a) the Company defaults in its obligation to deposit with the Paying Agent cash in an amount sufficient to fund the

Redemption Price of all Notes to be redeemed on the Redemption Date in accordance with Section 3.6 hereof or (b) such redemption payment is prohibited, interest (and Special Interest, if any) on such Notes called for redemption ceases to accrue on and after the Redemption Date and the only remaining right of the Holders of such Notes is to receive payment of the Redemption Price (including Special Interest, if any) to the Redemption Date, upon surrender to the Paying Agent of such Notes called for redemption and to be redeemed;

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- (6) if any Note is being redeemed in part, the portion of the principal amount, equal to \$1,000 or any integral multiple thereof, of such Note to be redeemed and that, after the Redemption Date, and upon surrender of such Note, a new Note or Notes in aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof shall be issued;
- (7) if less than all the Notes are to be redeemed, the identification of the particular Notes (or portion thereof) to be redeemed, as well as the aggregate principal amount of such Notes to be redeemed and the aggregate principal amount of Notes to be outstanding after such partial redemption;
 - (8) the CUSIP number of the Notes to be redeemed; and
- (9) that the notice is being sent pursuant to this Section 3.4 and pursuant to the optional redemption provisions of Section 5 of the Notes.

SECTION 3.5. EFFECT OF NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

Once notice of redemption is mailed in accordance with Section 3.4 hereof, Notes of a series called for redemption become due and payable on the Redemption Date and at the Redemption Price (including Special Interest, if any) for such series. Upon surrender to the Trustee or Paying Agent, such Notes called for redemption shall be paid at such Redemption Price (and Special Interest, if any); provided, that if the Redemption Date is on or after an interest Record Date on which the Holders of record of such series have a right to receive the corresponding interest due, and Special Interest, if any, and is on or before the associated Interest Payment Date, any accrued and unpaid interest and Special Interest, if any, due on such Interest Payment Date shall be paid to the Person in whose name such Note is registered at the close of business on such Record Date on the corresponding Interest Payment Date; and provided, further, that if a Redemption Date is a Legal Holiday, payment shall be made on the next succeeding Business Day and no interest shall accrue for the period from such Redemption Date to such succeeding Business Day.

SECTION 3.6. DEPOSIT OF REDEMPTION PRICE

On or prior to the Redemption Date, the Company shall deposit with the Paying Agent (other than the Company or an Affiliate of the Company) cash sufficient to pay the Redemption Price of all Notes of such series to be redeemed on such Redemption Date (other than such Notes or portions thereof called for redemption on that date that have been delivered by the Company to the Trustee for cancellation). The Paying Agent shall promptly return to the Company any cash so deposited which is not required for that purpose upon the written request of the Company.

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If the Company complies with the preceding paragraph and payment of a series of Notes called for redemption is not prohibited for any reason, interest (and Special Interest, if any) on such Notes to be redeemed shall cease to accrue on the applicable Redemption Date, whether or not such Notes are presented for payment. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if any Note surrendered for redemption in the manner provided in the Notes shall not be so paid upon surrender for redemption because of the failure of the Company to comply with the preceding paragraph, interest (and Special Interest, if any) shall continue to accrue and be paid from the Redemption Date until such payment is made on the unpaid principal, and, to the extent lawful, on any interest not paid on such unpaid principal, in each case at the rate and in the manner

provided in Section 4.1 hereof and in the applicable Note.

SECTION 3.7. NOTES REDEEMED IN PART

Upon surrender of a Note of a series that is to be redeemed in part, the Company shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Holder, without service charge to the Holder, a new Note or Notes of the same series equal in principal amount to the unredeemed portion of the Note of such series surrendered.

SECTION 3.8. NO MANDATORY REDEMPTION

The Company shall not be required to make mandatory redemption payments with respect to the Notes. The Notes shall not have the benefit of any sinking fund.

ARTICLE IV

COVENANTS

SECTION 4.1. PAYMENT OF NOTES

The Company shall pay the principal of and interest (and Special Interest, if any) on each series of Notes on the dates and in the manner provided herein and in the applicable Note. An installment of principal of or interest (or Special Interest, if any) on a series of Notes shall be considered paid on the date it is due if the Trustee or Paying Agent (other than the Company or an Affiliate of the Company) holds for the benefit of the Holders of such series (on or before 10:00 a.m. New York City time to the extent necessary to provide the funds to the Depositary in accordance with the Depositary's procedures) on that date cash deposited and designated for and sufficient to pay the installment.

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The Company shall pay interest on overdue principal and on overdue installments of interest (and Special Interest, if any) at the rate specified in the Notes of such series compounded semi-annually, to the extent lawful.

SECTION 4.2. MAINTENANCE OF OFFICE OR AGENCY

The Company shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where Notes may be presented or surrendered for payment, where Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange and where notices and demands to or upon the Company in respect of the Notes and this Indenture may be served. The Company shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee and the Paying Agent of the location, and any change in the location, of such office or agency. If at any time the Company shall fail to maintain any such required office or agency or shall fail to furnish the Trustee and the Paying Agent with the address thereof, such presentations, surrenders, notices and demands may be made or served at the address of the Trustee set forth in Section 10.2 hereof.

The Company may also from time to time designate one or more other offices or agencies where the Notes may be presented or surrendered for any or all such purposes and may from time to time rescind such designations; provided, however, that no such designation or rescission shall in any manner relieve the Company of its obligation to maintain an office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, for such purposes. The Company shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee and the Paying Agent of any such designation or rescission and of any change in the location of any such other office or agency. The Company hereby initially designates the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee as such office.

SECTION 4.3. CORPORATE EXISTENCE

Except as otherwise permitted by Article V, the Company shall do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve and keep in full force and effect its corporate existence in accordance with its organizational documents and the material rights (charter and statutory) and material corporate franchises of the Company; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to preserve any such right or franchise if (a) the Company shall determine that the preservation thereof is no longer desirable in the conduct of

the business of the Company and (b) the loss thereof is not materially adverse to the $\operatorname{Holders}$.

SECTION 4.4. PAYMENT OF TAXES AND OTHER CLAIMS

The Company shall pay or discharge or cause to be paid or discharged, before the same shall become delinquent, (a) all taxes, assessments and governmental

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charges (including withholding taxes and any penalties, interest and additions to taxes) levied or imposed upon the Company or any of its properties and assets and (b) all lawful claims, whether for labor, materials, supplies or services, which have become due and payable and which by law have or may become a Lien upon the property and assets of the Company, except where the failure to so pay or discharge would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the current or future financial position, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company and its Subsidiaries; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to pay or discharge or cause to be paid or discharged any such tax, assessment, charge or claim whose amount, applicability or validity is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and for which disputed amounts adequate reserves have been established in accordance with GAAP.

SECTION 4.5. MAINTENANCE OF PROPERTIES

The Company shall cause all properties used or useful in the conduct of its business and the business of each of its Subsidiaries to be maintained and kept in good condition, repair and working order (reasonable wear and tear excepted) and supplied with all necessary equipment and shall cause to be made all necessary repairs, renewals, replacements, betterments and improvements thereof, all as in their reasonable judgment may be necessary, so that the business carried on in connection therewith may be properly conducted at all times, except where the failure to do so would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the current or future financial position, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company and its Subsidiaries; provided, however, that nothing in this Section 4.5 shall prevent the Company from discontinuing any operation or maintenance of any of such properties, or disposing of any of them, if such discontinuance or disposal is (i) in the judgment of the Board of Directors of the Company, desirable in the conduct of the business of the Company and (ii) not materially adverse to the Holders.

SECTION 4.6. COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE; NOTICE OF DEFAULT

(a) The Company shall deliver to the Trustee within 120 days after the end of its fiscal year an Officers' Certificate, one of the signers of which shall be the principal executive, principal financial or principal accounting officer of the Company, complying with TIA (S) 314(a)(4) and stating that a review of its activities during the preceding fiscal year has been made under the supervision of the signing Officers with a view to determining whether the Company has kept, observed, performed and fulfilled its obligations under this Indenture (without regard to notice requirements or grace periods) and further stating, as to each such Officer signing such certificate, whether or not the signer knows of any failure by the Company to comply with any conditions or covenants in this Indenture and, if such signer does know of such a failure to comply, the certificate

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shall describe such failure with particularity. The Officers' Certificate shall also notify the Trustee should the relevant fiscal year end on any date other than the current fiscal year end date.

(b) The Company shall, so long as any of the Notes of a series are outstanding, deliver to the Trustee, promptly upon becoming aware of any Default or Event of Default with respect to such series, an Officers' Certificate specifying such Default or Event of Default and what action the Company is taking or proposes to take with respect thereto. The Trustee shall not be deemed to have knowledge of any Default, any Event of Default or any such fact unless

one of its Trust Officers receives written notice thereof from the Company or any of the Holders.

SECTION 4.7. REPORTS

Whether or not the Company is subject to the reporting requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, the Company shall furnish to the Trustee, to each Holder and to prospective purchasers of Notes identified to the Company by an Initial Purchaser, within 5 days after the Company is or would have been (if it were subject to such reporting obligations) required to file such with the SEC, annual and quarterly financial statements substantially equivalent to financial statements that would have been included in reports filed with the SEC, if the Company were subject to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, including, with respect to annual information only, a report thereon by the Company's certified independent public accountants as such would be required in such reports to the SEC, and, in each case, together with a management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations which would be so required and, unless the SEC will not accept such reports, file with the SEC the annual, quarterly and other reports which the Company is or would have been required to file with the SEC.

Delivery of such reports, information and documents to the Trustee is for informational purposes only, and the Trustee's receipt of such shall not constitute constructive notice of any information contained therein or determinable from information contained therein, including the Company's compliance with any of its covenants hereunder (as to which the Trustee is entitled to rely exclusively on Officers' Certificates).

For so long as any Transfer Restricted Notes remain outstanding with respect to a series of Notes, the Company shall make available (which shall include filings by EDGAR) to all Holders of such series and to securities analysts and prospective investors, upon their request, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

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SECTION 4.8. WAIVER OF STAY, EXTENSION OR USURY LAWS

The Company covenants (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) that it shall not at any time insist upon, plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any usury law or other law which would prohibit or forgive the Company from paying all or any portion of the principal of, premium of, or interest (or Special Interest, if any) on any series of Notes as contemplated herein, wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, or which may affect the covenants or the performance of this Indenture; and (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) the Company hereby expressly waives all benefit or advantage of any such law and covenants that it shall not hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee, but shall suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law had been enacted.

SECTION 4.9. LIMITATION ON LIENS

- (a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Consolidated Subsidiary to, incur any Debt secured by a Lien on any Principal Property or any shares of capital stock of any Consolidated Subsidiary (in each case, whether now owned or hereafter acquired) without making effective provision that the Notes shall be secured equally and ratably with (or prior to) such secured Debt, unless, after giving effect to such incurrence transaction and any simultaneous permanent repayment of any secured Debt (applying Article 11 of Regulation S-X to such transaction and repayment as and to the extent applicable), the aggregate amount of all Debt secured by a Lien on any Principal Property or on any shares of capital stock of any Consolidated Subsidiary, together with all Attributable Debt of the Company and its Consolidated Subsidiaries in respect of Sale and Lease-Back Transactions involving Principal Properties, would not exceed 10% of the Consolidated Net Tangible Assets of the Company and the Consolidated Subsidiaries. The aggregate amount of all secured Debt referred to in the preceding sentence shall exclude existing secured Debt that has been secured equally and ratably with the Notes.
- (b) The restriction set forth in paragraph (a) above shall not apply to, and there shall be excluded from secured Debt in any computation under the restriction in (a) above or under the restriction in Section 4.10(a)(1), Debt

(1) Liens on any property existing at the time of acquisition thereof; provided that (A) any such Lien was (i) in existence prior to the date of such acquisition, (ii) was not incurred in anticipation thereof and (iii) does not extend to any other property, and (B) the principal amount of Debt secured by each such Lien does not exceed the cost to the Company or such Consolidated Subsidiary of the property subject to the Lien, as determined in accordance with GAAP;

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- (2) Liens in favor of the Company or a Consolidated Subsidiary;
- (3) Liens in favor of governmental bodies to secure progress or advance payments pursuant to any contract or provision of any statute;
- (4) Liens created or incurred in connection with an industrial revenue bond, industrial development bond, pollution control bond or similar financing arrangement between the Company or a Consolidated Subsidiary and any federal, state or municipal government or other governmental body or quasi-governmental agency;
- (5) Liens on property to secure all or part of the cost of acquiring, substantially repairing or altering, constructing, developing or substantially improving the property, or to secure Debt incurred for any such purpose; provided that (A) any such Lien relates solely to the property subject to the Lien and (B) the principal amount of Debt secured by each such Lien (i) was incurred concurrently with, or within 18 months of, such acquisition, repair, alteration, construction, development or improvement and (ii) does not exceed the cost to the Company or such Consolidated Subsidiary of the property subject to the Lien, as determined in accordance with GAAP; and
- (6) any extension, renewal or replacement of any Lien referred to above; provided, that (A) such extension, renewal or replacement Lien (i) will be limited to the same property that secured the Lien so extended, renewed or replaced and (ii) will not exceed the principal amount of Debt so secured at the time of such extension, renewal or replacement and (B) such principal amount of Debt so secured shall continue to be included in the computation in paragraph (a) of this Section 4.9 and in Section 4.10(a)(1) to the extent so included at the time of such extension, renewal or replacement.

For purposes of this Section 4.9, an "acquisition" of property (including real, personal or intangible property or shares of capital stock or Debt) shall include any transaction or series of transactions by which the Company or a Consolidated Subsidiary acquires, directly or indirectly, an interest, or an additional interest (to the extent thereof), in such property, including an acquisition through merger or consolidation with, or an acquisition of an interest in, a Person owning an interest in such property.

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SECTION 4.10. LIMITATION ON SALE AND LEASE-BACK TRANSACTION

- (a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Consolidated Subsidiaries to, enter into any Sale and Lease-Back Transaction with respect to any Principal Property unless:
 - (1) after giving effect thereto, the aggregate amount of all Attributable Debt with respect to Sale and Lease-Back Transactions plus the aggregate amount of Debt secured by Liens incurred without equally and ratably securing the Notes pursuant to Section 4.9 would not exceed 10% of the Consolidated Net Tangible Assets of the Company and the Consolidated Subsidiaries; or
 - (2) within 180 days of such Sale and Lease-Back Transaction, the Company or such Consolidated Subsidiary applies to (A) the prepayment or retirement, and in either case, the permanent reduction, of Funded Debt of the Company or any Consolidated Subsidiary (including that in the case of a

revolver or similar arrangement that makes credit available, such commitment is so permanently reduced by such amount); provided, however, that the amount to be applied to the prepayment or retirement of such Funded Debt of the Company or of a Consolidated Subsidiary shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of any Notes (or other notes or debentures constituting such Funded Debt) delivered within such 180-day period to the Trustee or other applicable trustee for retirement and cancellation; and provided further, however, that, notwithstanding the foregoing, no prepayment or retirement referred to in this clause (A) may be effected by payment at maturity or pursuant to any mandatory sinking fund payment or any other mandatory prepayment or retirement provision, or (B) the purchase of other property that will constitute Principal Property having a fair market value, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, at least equal to the fair market value of the Principal Property leased in such Sale and Lease-Back transaction, an amount not less than the greater of:

- (i) the Net Proceeds of the Sale and Lease-Back Transaction; or $% \left\{ 1,2,\ldots ,2,3,\ldots \right\}$
- (ii) the fair market value (which shall be determined in a manner approved by the Board of Directors of the Company) of the Principal Property so leased at the time of such transaction;
- (b) The restriction set forth in paragraph (a) above shall not apply to any Sale and Lease-Back Transaction, and there shall be excluded from Attributable Debt

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in any computation described in this Section 4.10 or in Section 4.9(a) with respect to any such transaction:

- (1) solely between the Company and a Consolidated Subsidiary or solely between Consolidated Subsidiaries;
- (2) financed through an industrial revenue bond, industrial development bond, pollution control bond or similar financing arrangement between the Company or a Consolidated Subsidiary and an federal, state or municipal government or other governmental body or quasi-governmental agency; or
- $\,$ (3) in which the applicable lease is for a period, including renewal rights, of three years or less.

ARTICLE V

SUCCESSOR CORPORATION

SECTION 5.1. LIMITATION ON MERGER, SALE OR CONSOLIDATION

The Company shall not consolidate or merge with or into, or transfer or lease its assets substantially as an entirety, whether in a single transaction or a series of related transactions, to another Person or group of affiliated Persons, unless:

- (1) either (a) the Company is the surviving entity or (b) the resulting, surviving or transferee entity formed by such consolidation or into which the Company is merged or which acquires or leases the Company's assets is a corporation, partnership, trust or limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia and expressly assumes by supplemental indenture (in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) all of the Company's obligations in connection with the Notes and this Indenture and the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement;
- (2) no Default or Event of Default exists or will occur immediately after giving effect to such transaction (applying Article 11 of Regulation S-X to such transaction as and to the extent applicable); and
- (3) the Company delivers to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel meeting the requirements of Sections 10.4 and 10.5 hereof.

For purposes of the foregoing, the transfer (by lease, assignment, sale or otherwise) of the properties and assets, substantially as an entirety, of one or more Subsidiaries of the Company, the Company's interest in which constitutes the Company's properties and assets substantially as an entirety, shall be deemed to be the transfer of the Company's properties and assets substantially as an entirety.

SECTION 5.2. SUCCESSOR CORPORATION SUBSTITUTED

Upon any consolidation or merger or any transfer or lease of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company in accordance with Section 5.1, the surviving entity formed by such consolidation or into which the Company is merged or to which such transfer or lease is made shall succeed to and (except in the case of a lease) be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Company under this Indenture with the same effect as if such surviving entity had been named herein as the Company, and (except in the case of a lease) when a surviving entity duly assumes all of the obligations of the Company pursuant hereto and pursuant to the Notes, the Company shall be released from such obligations (except with respect to any obligations that arise from, or are related to, such transaction).

ARTICLE VI

EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

SECTION 6.1. EVENTS OF DEFAULT

"Event of Default" with respect to Notes of any series, wherever used herein, means any one of the following events (whatever reason for such Event of Default and whether it shall be caused voluntarily or involuntarily or effected, without limitation, by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body):

- (i) the Company's failure to pay any installment of interest (or Special Interest, if any) on the Notes of such series as and when the same becomes due and payable and the continuance of any such failure for 30 days;
- (ii) the Company's failure to pay all or any part of the principal of, or premium, if any, on the Notes of such series when and as the same becomes due and payable at maturity, redemption, by acceleration or otherwise;

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- (iii) the Company's failure to observe or perform any other covenant or agreement contained in the Notes of such series or this Indenture with respect to such series and, the continuance of such failure for a period of 60 days after written notice is given to the Company by the Trustee or to the Company and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Notes of such series outstanding;
- (iv) a decree, judgment, or order by a court of competent jurisdiction shall have been entered adjudicating the Company as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization of the Company under any bankruptcy or similar law, and such decree or order shall have continued undischarged and unstayed for a period of 60 days; or a decree, judgment or order of a court of competent jurisdiction appointing a receiver, liquidator, trustee, or assignee in bankruptcy or insolvency for the Company, or any substantial part of the property of the Company, or for the winding up or liquidation of the affairs of the Company, shall have been entered, and such decree, judgment, or order shall have remained in force undischarged and unstayed for a period of 60 days; and
- $% \left(v\right) =0$ the Company shall institute proceedings to be adjudicated a voluntary bankrupt, or shall consent to the filing of a

bankruptcy proceeding against it, or shall file a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization under any bankruptcy or similar law or similar statute, or shall consent to the filing of any such petition, or shall consent to the appointment of a custodian, receiver, liquidator, trustee, or assignee in bankruptcy or insolvency of it or any substantial part of its assets or property, or shall make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or shall admit in writing its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or take any corporate action in furtherance of any of the foregoing.

SECTION 6.2. ACCELERATION OF MATURITY DATE; RESCISSION AND ANNULMENT

If an Event of Default with respect to a series of Notes occurs and is continuing (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 6.1(iv) or Section 6.1(v)), then in every such case, unless the principal of all of the Notes of such series shall have already become due and payable, either the Trustee or the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of such series of Notes then outstanding, by notice in writing to the Company specifying the respective Event of Default (and to the Trustee if given by Holders) (an "Acceleration Notice"), may declare all principal, determined as set forth

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below, and accrued interest (and Special Interest, if any) thereon to be due and payable immediately. If an Event of Default specified in Section 6.1(iv) or Section 6.1(v) occurs, all principal and accrued interest (and Special Interest, if any) thereon will be immediately due and payable on all outstanding Notes without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Holders.

The Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes of a series, by written notice to the Trustee, may rescind and annul any acceleration and its consequences with respect to such series of Notes so long as (a) such rescission occurs before a judgment or decree is entered based on such acceleration and (b) all existing Events of Default, other than the non-payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest or Special Interest, if any, on such series of Notes that have become due solely because of the acceleration, have been cured or waived as provided in Section 6.12.

SECTION 6.3. COLLECTION OF DEBT AND SUITS FOR ENFORCEMENT BY TRUSTEE

The Company covenants that if an Event of Default in payment of principal, premium or interest specified in clause (i) or (ii) of Section 6.1 hereof occurs and is continuing with respect to a series of Notes, the Company shall, upon demand of the Trustee, pay to it, for the benefit of the Holders of such series of Notes, the whole amount then due and payable on such Notes for principal, premium (if any), and interest (and Special Interest, if any), and, to the extent that payment of such interest shall be legally enforceable, interest on any overdue principal (and premium, if any), and on any overdue interest (and Special Interest, if any), at the rate borne by such Notes, and, in addition thereto, such further amount as shall be sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including compensation to, and expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and its agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Trustee under Section 7.7.

If the Company fails to pay such amounts forthwith upon such demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as trustee of an express trust in favor of the Holders of such series, may institute a judicial proceeding for the collection of the sums so due and unpaid, may prosecute such proceeding to judgment or final decree and may enforce the same against the Company or any other obligor upon the Notes of such series and collect the moneys adjudged or decreed to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the property of the Company or any other obligor upon such Notes, wherever situated.

If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may in its discretion proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Holders of such series by such appropriate judicial proceedings as the Trustee shall deem most effective to $\frac{1}{2}$

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covenant or agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted herein, or to enforce any other proper remedy.

SECTION 6.4. TRUSTEE MAY FILE PROOFS OF CLAIM

In case of the pendency of any receivership, insolvency, liquidation, bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, composition or other judicial proceeding relative to the Company or any other obligor upon a series of Notes or the property of the Company or of such other obligor or their creditors, the Trustee (irrespective of whether the principal of such Notes shall then be due and payable as therein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether the Trustee shall have made any demand on the Company for the payment of overdue principal, premium, if any, or interest (and Special Interest, if any)) shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such proceeding or otherwise to take any and all actions under the TIA, including:

- (1) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of principal (and premium, if any) and interest (and Special Interest, if any) owing and unpaid in respect of such Notes and to file such other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and its agent and counsel and all other amounts due the Trustee under Section 7.7) and of the Holders of such series of Notes allowed in such judicial proceeding, and
- (2) to collect and receive any moneys or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same;

and any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Holder of a series to make such payments to the Trustee and, in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of such payments directly to such Holders, to pay to the Trustee any amount due it for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Trustee under Section 7.7 hereof.

Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Holder of a series of Notes any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting such series of Notes or the rights of any Holder thereof or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any such Holder in any such such proceeding.

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SECTION 6.5. TRUSTEE MAY ENFORCE CLAIMS WITHOUT POSSESSION OF NOTES

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or the Notes with respect to a series of Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of such Notes or the production thereof in any proceeding relating thereto, and any such proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust in favor of the Holders of such Notes, and any recovery of judgment shall, after provision for the payment of compensation to, and expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and its agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Trustee under Section 7.7, be for the ratable benefit of such Holders of such Notes in respect of which such judgment has been recovered.

SECTION 6.6. PRIORITIES

Any money collected by the Trustee pursuant to this Article VI shall be applied in the following order, at the date or dates fixed by the Trustee and, in case of the distribution of such money on account of principal, premium (if any), or interest (or Special Interest, if any), upon presentation of a series of Notes and the notation thereon of the payment if only partially paid and upon surrender thereof if fully paid:

 $\,$ FIRST: To the Trustee in payment of all amounts due pursuant to Section 7.7 hereof;

SECOND: To the Holders of such series in payment of the amounts then due and unpaid for principal of, premium (if any), and interest (and Special

Interest, if any) on, such Notes in respect of which or for the benefit of which such money has been collected, ratably, without preference or priority of any kind, according to the amounts due and payable on such Notes for principal, premium (if any), and interest (and Special Interest, if any), respectively; and

THIRD: To the Company or such other Person as may be lawfully entitled thereto, the remainder, if any, each as their respective interests may appear.

The Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, fix a record date and payment date for any payment to the Holders under this Section 6.6.

SECTION 6.7. LIMITATION ON SUITS

No Holder of any series of Notes shall have any right to institute, or to order or direct the Trustee to institute, any proceeding, judicial or otherwise, with respect

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to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy hereunder with respect to such series of Notes, unless:

- (A) such Holder has previously given written notice to the Trustee of a continuing Event of Default with respect to such series of Notes; $\,$
- (B) the Holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of then outstanding Notes of such series shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute proceedings in respect of such Event of Default in its own name as Trustee hereunder;
- (C) such Holder or Holders have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred or reasonably probable to be incurred in compliance with such request;
- (D) the Trustee for 60 days after its receipt of such notice, request and offer of indemnity has failed to institute any such proceeding; and $\,$
- (E) no direction inconsistent with such written request has been given to the Trustee during such $60\text{-}\mathrm{day}$ period by the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes of such series;

it being understood and intended that no one or more Holders of a series of Notes shall have any right in any manner whatsoever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect, disturb or prejudice the rights of any other Holders of such series, or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other such Holders or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner herein provided and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders of such series.

SECTION 6.8. UNCONDITIONAL RIGHT OF HOLDERS TO RECEIVE PRINCIPAL, PREMIUM AND INTEREST

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Holder of any Note shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of, and premium (if any), and interest (and Special Interest, if any) on, such Note on the Maturity Dates of such payments as expressed in such Note (in the case of redemption, the Redemption Price on the applicable Redemption Date) and to institute suit

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for the enforcement of any such payment after such respective dates, and such rights shall not be impaired without the consent of such Holder.

SECTION 6.9. RIGHTS AND REMEDIES CUMULATIVE

payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes in Section 2.7 hereof, no right or remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Trustee or to the Holders is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every right and remedy shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right or remedy.

SECTION 6.10. DELAY OR OMISSION NOT WAIVER

No delay or omission by the Trustee or by any Holder of any Note of a series to exercise any right or remedy arising upon any Event of Default with respect to such series shall impair the exercise of any such right or remedy or constitute a waiver of any such Event of Default. Every right and remedy given by this Article VI or by law to the Trustee or to the Holders of any series may be exercised from time to time, and as often as may be deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by such Holders, as the case may be.

SECTION 6.11. CONTROL BY HOLDERS

The Holder or Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of then outstanding Notes of a series shall have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Trustee with respect to such series, provided, that

- (1) such direction shall not be in conflict with any applicable rule of law or with this Indenture;
- (2) the Trustee shall not determine that the action so directed would be unjustly prejudicial to the Holders not taking part in such direction; and
- (3) the Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee which is not inconsistent with such direction.

SECTION 6.12. WAIVER OF EXISTING OR PAST DEFAULT

Subject to Section 6.8, the Holder or Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes of a series may, on behalf of all

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Holders of such series, waive any existing or past Default with respect to such series of Notes and its consequences under this Indenture, except a continuing Default with respect to such series:

- (A) in the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest (or Special Interest, if any) on, any Note of such series as specified in clauses (i) and (ii) of Section 6.1 hereof and not yet cured; or
- (B) with respect to any covenant or provision hereof which, under Article IX, cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the Holder of each outstanding Note of such series affected.

Upon any such waiver, such Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured for every purpose of this Indenture, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default with respect to such series or impair the exercise of any right arising therefrom.

SECTION 6.13. UNDERTAKING FOR COSTS

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Note of a series by his acceptance thereof shall be deemed to have agreed, that in any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture with respect to such series, or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken, suffered or omitted to be taken by it as Trustee with respect to such series, any court may in its discretion require the filing by any party litigant in such suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of such suit, and that such court may in

its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses, against any party litigant in such suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by such party litigant; but the provisions of this Section 6.13 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Company, to any suit instituted by the Trustee, to any suit instituted by any Holder of such series, or group of Holders of such series, holding in the aggregate more than 10% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes of such series, or to any suit instituted by any Holder of such series for enforcement of the payment of principal of, or premium (if any), or interest (or Special Interest, if any) on, any Note of such series on or after the respective Maturity Date expressed in such Note (including, in the case of redemption, on or after the Redemption Date).

SECTION 6.14. RESTORATION OF RIGHTS AND REMEDIES

If the Trustee or any Holder has instituted any proceeding to enforce any right or remedy under this Indenture with respect to a series of Notes and such proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to

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the Trustee or to such Holder, then and in every case, subject to any determination in such proceeding, the Company, the Trustee and all Holders of such series of Notes shall be restored severally and respectively to their former positions hereunder and thereafter all rights and remedies of the Trustee and the Holders shall continue as though no such proceeding had been instituted.

ARTICLE VII

TRUSTEE

The Trustee hereby accepts the trust imposed upon it by this Indenture and covenants and agrees to perform the same, as herein expressed, subject to the terms hereof.

SECTION 7.1. DUTIES OF TRUSTEE

- (a) If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing with respect to a series of Notes, the Trustee shall exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture with respect to such series of Notes and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise as a prudent Person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his or her own affairs.
- (b) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default with respect to a series of Notes:
 - (1) the Trustee need perform only those duties as are specifically set forth in this Indenture and no others; no covenants or obligations shall be implied in or read into this Indenture which are adverse to the Trustee; and any rights of the Trustee to take any action that is permitted, but not required, to be taken by this Indenture shall not be construed as an obligation or duty to do so; and
 - (2) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; provided, however, in the case of any such certificates or opinions which by any provision hereof are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee, the Trustee shall examine the certificates and opinions to determine whether or not they conform to the requirements of this Indenture (but need not confirm or investigate the accuracy of mathematical calculations or other facts stated therein).

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negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:

- (1) this paragraph does not limit the effect of paragraph (b) of this Section 7.1:
- (2) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it is proved that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts; and
- (3) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in accordance with a direction received by it pursuant to Section 6.11 hereof.
- (d) No provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder or to take or omit to take any action under this Indenture or at the request, order or direction of the Holders or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it.
- (e) Every provision of this Indenture that in any way relates to the Trustee is subject to paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (f) and (g) of this Section 7.1.
- (f) The Trustee shall not be liable for interest on any assets received by it except as the Trustee may agree in writing with the Company (including without limitation to the extent the Trustee receives funds prior to the interest payment date in order to comply with the provisions of Section 4.1). Assets held in trust by the Trustee need not be segregated from other assets except to the extent required by law.
- (g) The Trustee shall not be required to give any bond or surety with respect to the performance of its duties or the exercise of its powers under this Indenture.

SECTION 7.2. RIGHTS OF TRUSTEE

Subject to Section 7.1 hereof, with respect to a series of Notes:

- (a) The Trustee may conclusively rely on any document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper Person. The Trustee need not investigate any fact or matter stated in such document.
- (b) Before the Trustee acts or refrains from acting, it may consult with counsel and may require an Officers' Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, which shall

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conform to Sections 10.4 and 10.5 hereof. The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in reliance on such certificate or advice of counsel.

- (c) The Trustee may act through its attorneys and agents and shall not be responsible for the misconduct or negligence of any agent appointed with due care.
- (d) The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it or its agent takes or omits to take in good faith which it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers conferred upon it by this Indenture.
- (e) The Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, debenture or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may make such further inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit.
- (f) The Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request, order or direction of any of the Holders, pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture,

unless such Holders shall have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses and liabilities which may be incurred therein or thereby.

- (g) Unless otherwise specifically provided for in this Indenture, any demand, request, direction or notice from the Company shall be sufficient if signed by an Officer of the Company, as applicable.
- (h) The Trustee shall have no duty to inquire as to the performance of the Company's covenants in Article IV hereof or as to the performance by any Agent of its duties hereunder. In addition, the Trustee shall not be deemed to have knowledge of any Default or Event of Default except (i) any Event of Default occurring pursuant to Sections 6.1(i), 6.1(ii) and 4.1 hereof, or (ii) any Default or Event of Default of which the Trustee shall have received written notification or obtained actual knowledge, and, with respect to this clause (ii), in the absence of any such notice or any such actual knowledge, the Trustee may conclusively assume that no Default or Event of Default exists.
- (i) Whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee shall deem it desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering or omitting any action hereunder, the Trustee (unless other evidence be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely upon an Officers' Certificate, an Opinion of Counsel, or both.

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(j) The Trustee may request that the Issuer or the Company deliver an Officers' Certificate setting forth the names of individuals and/or titles of officers authorized at such time to take specified actions pursuant to this Indenture, which Officers' Certificate may be signed by any person authorized to sign an Officers' Certificate, including any person specified as so authorized in any such certificate previously delivered and not superseded.

SECTION 7.3. INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS OF TRUSTEE

The Trustee in its individual or any other capacity may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with the Company, any of its Subsidiaries, or their respective Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee. Any Agent may do the same with like rights. However, the Trustee must comply with Sections 7.10 and 7.11 hereof.

SECTION 7.4. TRUSTEE'S DISCLAIMER

The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or adequacy of this Indenture or the Notes, and it shall not be accountable for the Company's use of the proceeds from the Notes, and it shall not be responsible for any statement in the Notes (other than the Trustee's certificate of authentication) or in any offering memorandum or other disclosure materials distributed with respect to the Notes (other than information provided by the Trustee concerning the Trustee), or for the use or application of any funds received by a Paying Agent other than the Trustee.

SECTION 7.5. NOTICE OF DEFAULT

If a Default or an Event of Default occurs and is continuing with respect to a series of Notes and if it is known to the Trustee, the Trustee shall mail to each Securityholder of such series notice of the uncured Default or Event of Default within 90 days after such Default or Event of Default occurs.

SECTION 7.6. REPORTS BY TRUSTEE TO HOLDERS

Within 60 days after each March 15 beginning with the March 15 following the date of this Indenture, the Trustee shall, if required by law, mail to each Securityholder a brief report dated as of such March 15 that complies with TIA (S) 313(a). The Trustee also shall comply with TIA (S) (S) 313(b) and 313(c).

The Company shall promptly notify the Trustee in writing if the Notes of any series become listed on any stock exchange or automated quotation system or of any delisting thereof.

A copy of each report at the time of its mailing to Securityholders shall be mailed to the Company and filed with the SEC and each stock exchange, if any, on which any Notes are listed.

SECTION 7.7. COMPENSATION AND INDEMNITY

The Company agrees to pay to the Trustee (in its capacity as such) from time to time such compensation for its services as the Company and the Trustee shall from time to time agree in writing. The Trustee's compensation shall not be limited by any law on compensation of a trustee of an express trust. The Company shall reimburse the Trustee upon request for all reasonable disbursements, expenses and advances incurred or made by it in accordance with this Indenture. Such expenses shall include the reasonable compensation, disbursements and expenses of the Trustee's agents, accountants, experts and counsel.

The Company agrees to indemnify each of the Trustee (in its capacity as Trustee) and each predecessor Trustee and each of its officers, directors, attorneys-in-fact and agents for, and hold it harmless against, any claim, demand, expense (including but not limited to reasonable compensation, disbursements and expenses of the Trustee's agents and counsel), loss or liability incurred by it without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on the part of the Trustee, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance and the administration of this trust and its rights or duties hereunder, including the reasonable costs and expenses of defending itself against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of its powers or duties hereunder. The Trustee shall notify the Company promptly of any claim asserted against the Trustee for which it may seek indemnity; provided, however, that any failure to so notify the Company shall not relieve the Company of its indemnity obligations hereunder. The Company shall defend the claim and the Trustee shall provide reasonable cooperation at the Company's expense in the defense. The Trustee may have separate counsel and the Company shall pay the reasonable fees and expenses of such counsel; provided, that the Company will not be required to pay such fees and expenses if they assume the Trustee's defense and if the Trustee is advised by its counsel that there is no conflict of interest between the Company and the Trustee in connection with such defense. The Company need not pay for any settlement made without their written consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Company need not reimburse any expense or indemnify against any loss or liability to the extent incurred by the Trustee through its negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct.

When the Trustee incurs expenses or renders services after an Event of Default specified in Section 6.1(iv) or (v) of this Indenture occurs, the expenses and the compensation for the services are intended to constitute expenses of administration under any Bankruptcy Law.

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The Company's obligations under this Section 7.7 shall survive the resignation or removal of the Trustee, the discharge of the Company's obligations pursuant to Article VIII of this Indenture and any rejection or termination of this Indenture under any Bankruptcy Law.

SECTION 7.8. REPLACEMENT OF TRUSTEE

The Trustee may resign by so notifying the Company in writing. The Holder or Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes of a series may remove the Trustee with respect to such series by so notifying the Company and the Trustee in writing and may appoint a successor trustee with the Company's consent. The Company may remove the Trustee with respect to any series of Notes if:

- (a) the Trustee fails to comply with Section 7.10 hereof;
- (b) the Trustee is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent;
- (c) a receiver, Custodian or other public officer takes charge of the Trustee or its property; or
 - (d) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting.

If the Trustee resigns or is removed or if a vacancy exists in the office of Trustee for any reason with respect to a series of Notes, the Company shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. Within one year after the successor Trustee takes office, the Holder or Holders of a majority in principal amount of such series of Notes may appoint a successor Trustee to replace the successor Trustee appointed by the Company.

A successor Trustee shall deliver a written acceptance of its appointment to the retiring Trustee and to the Company. Immediately after that and, provided that all sums owing to the retiring Trustee provided for in Section 7.7 hereof have been paid, the retiring Trustee shall transfer all property held by it as trustee to the successor Trustee, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective, and the successor Trustee shall have all the rights, powers and duties of the Trustee under this Indenture. A successor Trustee shall mail notice of its succession to each Holder of the affected series.

If a successor Trustee does not take office within 60 days after the retiring Trustee resigns or is removed with respect to a series of Notes, the retiring Trustee (at the Company's cost and expense), the Company or the Holder or Holders of at least 10% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes of such series may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

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If the Trustee fails to comply with Section 7.10 hereof, any Securityholder may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

Notwithstanding replacement of the Trustee pursuant to this Section 7.8, the Company's obligations under Section 7.7 hereof shall continue for the benefit of the retiring Trustee.

SECTION 7.9. SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE BY MERGER, ETC.

If the Trustee consolidates with, merges or converts into, or transfers all or substantially all of its corporate trust business to, another corporation, the resulting, surviving or transferee corporation without any further act shall, if such resulting, surviving or transferee corporation is otherwise eligible hereunder, be the successor Trustee.

SECTION 7.10. ELIGIBILITY; DISQUALIFICATION

The Trustee shall at all times satisfy the requirements of TIA (S) $310\,(a)\,(1)$, (2) and (5). The Trustee shall have a combined capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000, as set forth in its most recent published annual report of condition. The Trustee shall comply with TIA (S) $310\,(b)$.

SECTION 7.11. PREFERENTIAL COLLECTION OF CLAIMS AGAINST COMPANY.

The Trustee shall comply with TIA (S) 311(a), excluding any creditor relationship listed in TIA (S) 311(b). A Trustee who has resigned or been removed shall be subject to TIA (S) 311(a) to the extent indicated.

ARTICLE VIII

LEGAL DEFEASANCE AND COVENANT DEFEASANCE

SECTION 8.1. OPTION TO EFFECT LEGAL DEFEASANCE OR COVENANT DEFEASANCE

The Company may elect to have Section 8.2, at the Company's option and at any time, or Section 8.3, at the Company's option and at any time, of this Indenture applied to all outstanding Notes of any series upon compliance with the conditions set forth below in this Article VIII.

Upon the Company's exercise under Section 8.1 hereof of the option applicable to this Section 8.2 with respect to any series of Notes, the Company shall be deemed to have been discharged from its obligations with respect to all outstanding Notes of such series on the date the conditions set forth below are satisfied (hereinafter, "Legal Defeasance"). For this purpose, such Legal Defeasance means that the Company shall be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire indebtedness represented by such series of Notes, and this Indenture shall cease to be of further effect as to all such outstanding Notes, except as to be deemed to be "outstanding" only for the purposes of the Sections of this Indenture referred to in (a) and (b) below, and the Company shall be deemed to have satisfied all other of its obligations under such Notes and this Indenture with respect to such series of Notes (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Company, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging the same), except for the following which shall survive until otherwise terminated or discharged hereunder: (a) the rights of Holders of outstanding Notes of such series to receive payments in respect of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest (and Special Interest, if any) on such Notes when such payments are due from the trust described in Section 8.5, (b) the Company's obligations with respect to such Notes under Sections 2.3, 2.4, 2.6, 2.7, 2.10, 4.2, 8.5, 8.6 and 8.7 hereof, and (c) the rights, powers, trusts, duties and immunities of the Trustee hereunder, and the Company's obligations in connection therewith. Subject to compliance with this Article VIII, the Company may exercise its option under this Section 8.2 notwithstanding the prior exercise of its option under Section 8.3 hereof with respect to such Notes.

SECTION 8.3. COVENANT DEFEASANCE

Upon the Company's exercise under Section 8.1 hereof of the option applicable to this Section 8.3 with respect to any series of Notes, the Company shall be released from its obligations under the covenants contained in Sections 4.5, 4.7, 4.9, 4.10 and Article V hereof with respect to the outstanding Notes of such series on and after the date the conditions set forth below are satisfied (hereinafter, "Covenant Defeasance"), and such Notes shall thereafter be deemed not "outstanding" for the purposes of any direction, waiver, consent or declaration or act of Holders of such series (and the consequences of any thereof) in connection with such covenants, but shall continue to be deemed "outstanding" for all other purposes hereunder. For this purpose, such Covenant Defeasance means that, with respect to the outstanding Notes of such series, the Company shall not need to comply with and shall have no liability in respect of any term, condition or limitation set forth in any such covenant with respect to such series of Notes, whether directly or indirectly, by reason of any reference elsewhere herein to any such covenant or by reason of any reference in any such covenant to any other provision herein or in any other document and such omission to comply shall not constitute a Default or an Event of

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Default under Section 6.1(iii) with respect to such series of Notes, but, except as specified above, the remainder of this Indenture and such Notes shall be unaffected thereby.

SECTION 8.4. CONDITIONS TO LEGAL OR COVENANT DEFEASANCE

The following shall be the conditions to the application of either Section 8.2 or 8.3 hereof to the outstanding Notes of such series to be defeased:

(a) (i) The Company shall irrevocably deposit with the Trustee, in trust, for the benefit of the Holders of such Notes, U.S. legal tender, U.S. Government Obligations or a combination thereof, in such amounts as will be sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants, to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest (and Special Interest, if any) on such Notes on the stated date for payment thereof or on the redemption date of such principal or installment of principal of, premium, if any, or interest (and Special Interest, if any) on such Notes, and the Holders of such Notes must have a valid, perfected, exclusive security interest in such trust; (ii) in the case of Legal Defeasance, the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an opinion of counsel in the United States reasonably acceptable to the Trustee confirming that: (A) the Company has received from, or there has been published by the Internal Revenue Service, a ruling or (B) since the date of this Indenture, there has been a change in the applicable federal income tax law, in either case to the effect that, and based thereon such opinion of

counsel shall confirm that, the Holders of such Notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such Legal Defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Legal Defeasance had not occurred; (iii) in the case of Covenant Defeasance, the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an opinion of counsel in the United States reasonably acceptable to such Trustee confirming that the Holders of such Notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such Covenant Defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Covenant Defeasance had not occurred; (iv) no Default or Event of Default with respect to such series of Notes shall have occurred and be continuing on the date of such deposit or insofar as Events of Default from bankruptcy or insolvency events are concerned, at any time in the period ending on the 91st day after the date of deposit; (v) such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance shall not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under this Indenture or any other material agreement or instrument to which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is a party or by which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is bound; (vi) the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate stating that the deposit was not made by the Company with the intent of preferring the Holders of such Notes over any other creditors of the Company or with the intent of defeating, hindering, delaying or defrauding any other creditors of the Company or others; and (vii) the Company shall have delivered

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to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that the conditions precedent provided for in, in the case of the Officers' Certificate, (i) through (vi) and, in the case of the opinion of counsel, clauses (i) (with respect to the validity and perfection of the security interest), (ii), (iii) and (v) of this paragraph have been complied with and the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate, subject to such qualifications and exceptions as the Trustee deems appropriate, to the effect that, assuming no Holder of such Notes is an insider of the Company, the trust funds will not be subject to the effect of any applicable Federal bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally. The Defeasance will be effective on the earlier of (i) the 91st day after the date of deposit, and (ii) the day on which all the conditions above have been satisfied.

(b) If the funds deposited with the Trustee to effect Covenant Defeasance are insufficient to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest (and Special Interest, if any) on the series of Notes to be so defeased when due, then the obligations of the Company under this Indenture with respect to such notes will be revived and no such defeasance will be deemed to have occurred.

SECTION 8.5. DEPOSITED CASH AND U.S. GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS TO BE HELD IN TRUST; OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Subject to Section 8.6 hereof, all cash and U.S. Government Obligations (including the proceeds thereof) deposited with the Trustee (or other qualifying trustee, collectively for purposes of this Section 8.5, the "Paying Agent") pursuant to Section 8.4 hereof in respect of the outstanding Notes of the series to be defeased shall be held in trust and applied by the Paying Agent, in accordance with the provisions of such Notes and this Indenture, to the payment, either directly or through any other Paying Agent as the Trustee may determine, to the Holders of such Notes of all sums due and to become due thereon in respect of principal, premium, if any, and interest (and Special Interest, if any), but such money need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law.

The Company shall pay and indemnify the Trustee against any tax, fee or other charge imposed on or assessed against the U.S. Government Obligations deposited pursuant to Section 8.4 or the principal and interest received in respect thereof other than any such tax, fee or other charge which by law is for the account of the Holders of such outstanding Notes.

SECTION 8.6. REPAYMENT TO THE COMPANY

(a) Anything in this Article VIII to the contrary notwithstanding, the Trustee or the Paying Agent shall deliver or pay to the Company from time to

the request of the Company any cash or U.S. Government Obligations held by it as provided in Section 8.4 hereof which, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee (which may be the opinion delivered under Section 8.4(a) hereof), are in excess of the amount thereof that would then be required to be deposited to effect an equivalent Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance.

(b) Any cash and U.S. Government Obligations (including the proceeds thereof) deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent, or then held by the Company, in trust for the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest (and Special Interest, if any) on any series of Notes and remaining unclaimed for two years after such principal, and premium, if any, or interest (and Special Interest, if any) has become due and payable shall be paid to the Company on its request; and the Holder of such Note shall thereafter look only to the Company for payment thereof, and all liability of the Trustee or such Paying Agent with respect to such trust money shall thereupon cease; provided, however, that the Trustee or such Paying Agent, before being required to make any such repayment, may at the expense of the Company cause to be published once, in the New York Times and The Wall Street Journal (national edition), notice that such money remains unclaimed and that, after a date specified therein, which shall not be less than 30 days from the date of such notification or publication, any unclaimed balance of such money then remaining will be repaid to the Company.

SECTION 8.7. REINSTATEMENT

If the Trustee or Paying Agent is unable to apply any cash or U.S. Government Obligations in accordance with Section 8.2 or 8.3 hereof, as the case may be, of this Indenture by reason of any order or judgment of any court or governmental authority enjoining, restraining or otherwise prohibiting such application, then the Company's obligations under this Indenture with respect to such series of Notes affected and such Notes shall be revived and reinstated as though no deposit had occurred pursuant to Section 8.2 or 8.3 hereof until such time as the Trustee or Paying Agent is permitted to apply such money in accordance with Sections 8.2 and 8.3 hereof, as the case may be; provided, however, that, if the Company makes any payment of principal of, premium, if any, or interest (and Special Interest, if any) on any such Note following the reinstatement of its obligations, the Company shall be subrogated to the rights of the Holders of such Notes to receive such payment from the cash or U.S. Government Obligations held by the Trustee or Paying Agent.

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ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS, SUPPLEMENTS AND WAIVERS

SECTION 9.1. SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES WITHOUT CONSENT OF HOLDERS

Without the consent of any Holder, the Company, when authorized by Board Resolutions, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time, may enter into one or more indentures supplemental hereto, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to cure any ambiguity, defect, or inconsistency;
- (2) to add to the covenants of the Company such further covenants, restrictions or conditions for the benefit of the Holders, and to make the occurrence, or the occurrence and continuance, of a Default in any such additional covenants, restrictions or conditions a Default or an Event of Default permitting the enforcement of all or any of the several remedies provided in this Indenture as herein set forth; provided, however, that in respect of any such additional covenant, restriction or condition such supplemental indenture may provide for a particular period of grace after Default (which period may be shorter or longer than allowed in the case of other Defaults, but shall not exceed 90 days) or may provide for any

immediate enforcement upon such Default or may limit the remedies available to be exercised by the Trustee in its discretion upon such Default but may not limit the remedies available to be exercised by the Holders;

- (3) to provide for collateral for or guarantors of the Notes;
- (4) to evidence the succession of another Person to the Company, and the assumption by any such successor of the obligations of the Company, herein and in the Notes in accordance with Article $V_{\boldsymbol{i}}$
- (5) to modify, eliminate or add to the provisions of this Indenture to comply with the TIA;
- (6) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment hereunder by a successor Trustee with respect to the Notes;
- (7) in any other case where a supplemental indenture is required or permitted to be entered into pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture without the consent of any Holder; or

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(8) to provide for the issuance and authorization of the Exchange Notes.

SECTION 9.2. AMENDMENTS, SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES AND WAIVERS WITH CONSENT OF HOLDERS

Subject to Section 6.8 hereof, with the consent of the Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes of a series affected thereby (including consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange offer for such Notes), by written act of said Holders delivered to the Company and the Trustee, the Company, when authorized by Board Resolutions, and the Trustee may amend or supplement this Indenture or enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto for the purpose of adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of this Indenture or of modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of such series under this Indenture or the applicable Notes. Subject to Section 6.8, the Holder or Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of such series of Notes then outstanding may waive compliance by the Company with any provision of this Indenture or such Notes. Notwithstanding any of the above, however, no such amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver shall, without the consent of the Holder of each outstanding Note of the series affected thereby:

- (1) change the Stated Maturity on any Note of such series or reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate (or extend the time for payment) of interest thereon or any premium payable upon the redemption thereof at the Company's option, or change the city of payment where, or the coin or currency in which, any such Note or any premium or the interest thereon is payable, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the Stated Maturity thereof (or, in the case of redemption at the Company's option, on or after the Redemption Date); or
- (2) reduce the percentage in principal amount of the outstanding Notes of such series, the consent of whose Holders is required for any such amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver provided for in this Indenture;
- (3) modify any of the waiver provisions, except to increase any required percentage or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each outstanding Note of the series affected thereby; or
- (4) cause the Notes of such series to become subordinate in right of payment to any other Debt.

or waiver, but it shall be sufficient if such consent approves the substance thereof.

After an amendment, supplement or waiver under this Section becomes effective, the Company shall mail to the Holders affected thereby a notice briefly describing the amendment, supplement or waiver. Any failure of the Company to mail such notice, or any defect therein, shall not, however, in any way impair or affect the validity of any such supplemental indenture or waiver.

After an amendment, supplement or waiver under this Section 9.2 or under Section 9.4 hereof becomes effective, it shall bind each Holder.

In connection with any amendment, supplement or waiver under this Article IX, the Company may, but shall not be obligated to, offer to any Holder who consents to such amendment, supplement or waiver, or to all Holders, consideration for such Holder's consent to such amendment, supplement or waiver.

SECTION 9.3. COMPLIANCE WITH TIA

Every amendment, waiver or supplement of this Indenture or the Notes shall comply with the TIA as then in effect.

SECTION 9.4. REVOCATION AND EFFECT OF CONSENTS

Until an amendment, waiver or supplement becomes effective with respect to a series of Notes, a consent to it by a Holder of such series is a continuing consent by such Holder and every subsequent Holder of such Note or portion of such Note that evidences the same debt as the consenting Holder's Note, even if notation of the consent is not made on any such Note. However, any such Holder or subsequent Holder may revoke the consent as to such Note or portion of such Note by written notice to the Company or the Person designated by the Company as the Person to whom consents should be sent if such revocation is received by the Company or such Person before the date on which the Trustee receives an Officers' Certificate certifying that the Holders of the requisite principal amount of the Notes affected have consented (and not theretofore revoked such consent) to the amendment, supplement or waiver.

The Company may, but shall not be obligated to, fix a record date for the purpose of determining the Holders entitled to consent to any amendment, supplement or waiver, which record date shall be the date so fixed by the Company notwithstanding the provisions of the TIA. If a record date is fixed, then notwithstanding the last sentence of the immediately preceding paragraph, those Persons who were Holders at such record

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date, and only those Persons (or their duly designated proxies), shall be entitled to revoke any consent previously given, whether or not such Persons continue to be Holders after such record date.

After an amendment, supplement or waiver becomes effective, it shall bind every Securityholder of the affected series, unless it makes a change described in any of clauses (1) through (4) of Section 9.2 hereof, in which case, the amendment, supplement or waiver shall bind only each Holder of a Note of such series who has consented to it and every subsequent Holder of such Note or portion of such Note that evidences the same debt as the consenting Holder's Note; provided, that any such waiver shall not impair or affect the right of any Holder of such series to receive payment of principal and premium of and interest (and Special Interest, if any) on such Note, on or after the respective dates set for such amounts to become due and payable expressed in such Note, or to bring suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after such respective dates.

SECTION 9.5. NOTATION ON OR EXCHANGE OF NOTES

If an amendment, supplement or waiver changes the terms of a series of Notes, the Trustee may require such Holder of the Note of such series to deliver it to the Trustee or require such Holder to put an appropriate notation on such Note. The Trustee may place an appropriate notation on such Note about the changed terms and return it to such Holder. Alternatively, if the Company or the Trustee so determines, the Company in exchange for the affected Note shall issue and the Trustee shall authenticate a new Note of the same series that reflects the changed terms. Any failure to make the appropriate notation or to issue a

new Note shall not affect the validity of such amendment, supplement or waiver.

SECTION 9.6. TRUSTEE TO SIGN AMENDMENTS, ETC.

The Trustee shall execute any amendment, supplement or waiver authorized pursuant to this Article IX; provided, that the Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, execute any such amendment, supplement or waiver which affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture. The Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of any amendment, supplement or waiver authorized pursuant to this Article IX is authorized or permitted by this Indenture.

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ARTICLE X

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 10.1. TIA CONTROLS

If any provision of this Indenture limits, qualifies, or conflicts with the duties imposed by operation of the TIA, the imposed duties, upon qualification of this Indenture under the TIA, shall control.

SECTION 10.2. NOTICES

Any notices or other communications required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing, and shall be sufficiently given if made by hand delivery, by telex, by telecopier, recognized overnight courier or registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, and addressed as follows:

if to the Company:

Mohawk Industries, Inc. 160 So. Industrial Blvd. Calhoun, Georgia 30703 Attention: Frank Boykin Telecopy: (706) 625-3851

with a copy to:

Alston & Bird LLP One Atlantic Center 1201 West Peachtree Street Atlanta, Georgia 30309 Attention: Bryan E. Davis Telecopy: (404) 881-4777

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if to the Trustee:

Wachovia Bank, National Association 999 Peachtree Street NE Suite 1100 Atlanta, Georgia 30309 Attention: Corporate Trust Group Telecopy: (404) 827-7352

Any party by notice to each other party may designate additional or different addresses as shall be furnished in writing by such party. Any notice or communication to any party shall be deemed to have been given or made as of the date so delivered, if personally delivered; when answered back, if telexed; when receipt is acknowledged, if telecopied; the next Business Day after timely delivery to a recognized overnight courier, if sent by such courier guaranteeing next day delivery; and five Business Days after mailing if sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid (except that a notice of change of address shall not be deemed to have been given until actually received by the addressee).

Any notice or communication mailed to a Securityholder shall be mailed

to it by first class mail or other equivalent means at its address as it appears on the registration books of the Registrar and shall be sufficiently given to such Securityholder if so mailed within the time prescribed.

Failure to mail a notice or communication to a Securityholder or any defect in it shall not affect its sufficiency with respect to other Securityholders. If a notice or communication is mailed in the manner provided above, it is duly given, whether or not the addressee receives it.

SECTION 10.3. COMMUNICATIONS BY HOLDERS WITH OTHER HOLDERS

Securityholders of a series of Notes may communicate pursuant to TIA (S)312(b) with other Securityholders of such series with respect to their rights under this Indenture or the applicable Notes. The Company, the Trustee, the Registrar and any other Person shall have the protection of TIA (S)312(c).

SECTION 10.4. CERTIFICATE AND OPINION AS TO CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

Upon any request or application by the Company to the Trustee to take any action under this Indenture, the Company shall furnish to the Trustee:

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- (1) an Officers' Certificate (in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) stating that, in the opinion of the signers, all conditions precedent, if any, provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action have been met; and
- (2) an Opinion of Counsel (in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) stating that, in the opinion of such counsel, all such conditions precedent have been met.

SECTION 10.5. STATEMENTS REQUIRED IN CERTIFICATE OR OPINION

Each certificate or opinion with respect to compliance with a condition or covenant provided for in this Indenture shall include:

- (1) a statement that the Person making such certificate or opinion has read such covenant or condition;
- (2) a brief statement as to the nature and scope of the examination or investigation upon which the statements or opinions contained in such certificate or opinion are based;
- (3) a statement that, in the opinion of such Person, he has made such examination or investigation as is necessary to enable him to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such covenant or condition has been met; and
- (4) a statement as to whether or not, in the opinion of each such Person, such condition or covenant has been met; provided, however, that, with respect to matters of fact, an Opinion of Counsel may rely on an Officers' Certificate or certificates of public officials.

SECTION 10.6. RULES BY TRUSTEE, PAYING AGENT, REGISTRAR

The Trustee may make reasonable rules for action by or at a meeting of Securityholders. The Paying Agent or Registrar may make reasonable rules for its functions.

SECTION 10.7. LEGAL HOLIDAYS

A "Legal Holiday" is a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which banking institutions in New York, New York are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close. If a payment date is a Legal Holiday at such place, payment may be made at

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SECTION 10.8. GOVERNING LAW

THIS INDENTURE AND THE NOTES SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, AS APPLIED TO CONTRACTS MADE AND PERFORMED WITHIN THE STATE OF NEW YORK, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, SECTIONS 5-1401 AND 5-1402 OF THE NEW YORK GENERAL OBLIGATIONS LAW AND RULE 327(b) OF THE NEW YORK CIVIL PRACTICE LAWS AND RULES. THE COMPANY HEREBY IRREVOCABLY SUBMITS TO THE JURISDICTION OF ANY NEW YORK STATE COURT SITTING IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK OR ANY FEDERAL COURT SITTING IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK IN RESPECT OF ANY SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS INDENTURE AND THE NOTES, AND IRREVOCABLY ACCEPTS FOR ITSELF AND IN RESPECT OF ITS PROPERTY, GENERALLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY, JURISDICTION OF THE AFORESAID COURTS. THE COMPANY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT IT MAY EFFECTIVELY DO SO UNDER APPLICABLE LAW, ANY OBJECTION WHICH IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF THE VENUE OF ANY SUCH SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING BROUGHT IN ANY SUCH COURT AND ANY CLAIM THAT ANY SUCH SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING BROUGHT IN ANY SUCH COURT HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN AN INCONVENIENT FORUM. NOTHING HEREIN SHALL AFFECT THE RIGHT OF THE TRUSTEE OR ANY SECURITYHOLDER TO SERVE PROCESS IN ANY OTHER MANNER PERMITTED BY LAW OR TO COMMENCE LEGAL PROCEEDINGS OR OTHERWISE PROCEED AGAINST THE COMPANY IN ANY OTHER JURISDICTION.

SECTION 10.9. NO ADVERSE INTERPRETATION OF OTHER AGREEMENTS

This Indenture may not be used to interpret another indenture, loan or debt agreement of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries. Any such indenture, loan or debt agreement may not be used to interpret this Indenture.

SECTION 10.10. NO RECOURSE AGAINST OTHERS

No direct or indirect stockholder, employee, officer or director, as such, past, present or future, of the Company, or any successor entity, shall have any personal liability in respect of the obligations of the Company under this Indenture or the Notes solely by reason of his or its status as such stockholder, employee, officer or director.

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Each Securityholder by accepting a Note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for the issuance of the Notes.

SECTION 10.11. SUCCESSORS

All agreements of the Company in this Indenture and the Notes shall bind its successor. All agreements of the Trustee in this Indenture shall bind its successor.

SECTION 10.12. DUPLICATE ORIGINALS

All parties may sign any number of copies or counterparts of this Indenture. Each signed copy or counterpart shall be an original, but all of them together shall represent the same agreement.

SECTION 10.13. SEVERABILITY

In case any one or more of the provisions in this Indenture or in the Notes shall be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable, in any respect for any reason, the validity, legality and enforceability of any such provision in every other respect and of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby, it being intended that all of the provisions hereof shall be enforceable to the full extent permitted by law.

SECTION 10.14. TABLE OF CONTENTS, HEADINGS, ETC.

The Table of Contents, Cross-Reference Table and headings of the Articles and the Sections of this Indenture have been inserted for convenience of reference only, are not to be considered a part hereof and shall in no way modify or restrict any of the terms or provisions hereof.

SECTION 10.15. QUALIFICATION OF INDENTURE

The Company shall qualify this Indenture under the TIA in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and shall pay all costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees for the Company and the Trustee) incurred in connection therewith, including, but not limited to, costs and expenses of qualification of this Indenture and the Notes and printing this Indenture and the Notes. The Trustee shall be entitled to receive from the Company any such Officers' Certificates, Opinions of Counsel or other documentation as it may reasonably request in connection with any such qualification of this Indenture under the TIA.

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SECTION 10.16. REGISTRATION RIGHTS

Certain Holders of the Notes may be entitled to certain registration rights with respect to such Notes pursuant to, and subject to the terms of, the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.

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SIGNATURES

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Indenture to be duly executed as of the date first written above.

MOHAWK INDUSTRIES, INC. a Delaware corporation

By: /s/ John D. Swift

Name: John D. Swift

Title: Vice President -- Finance and Chief Financial Officer

WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Trustee

By: /s/ Eric J. Knoll

Name: Eric J. Knoll

Title: Assistant Vice President

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EXHIBIT A/1

[FORM OF NOTE]

MOHAWK INDUSTRIES, INC.

6.50% [SERIES A] [SERIES C]/1/ NOTE DUE 2007

CUSIP No.: _____

No.

Mohawk Industries, Inc., a Delaware corporation (hereinafter called the "Company", which term includes any successors under the Indenture hereinafter referred to), for value received, hereby promises to pay to ______, or registered assigns, the principal sum of ______ Dollars, on April 15, 2007.

Interest Payment Dates: April 15 and October 15; commencing October 15, 2002.

Record Dates: April 1 and October 1.

Reference is made to the further provisions of this Note on the reverse

side,	which	will,	for	all	purposes,	have	the	same	effect	as	if	set	forth	at	this
place.															

/1/ Series A Notes should be replaced with Series C Notes in the Exchange Offer.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this instrument to be duly executed.

MOHAWK INDUSTRIES, INC. a Delaware corporation

By:		
Name:		
Title:		

By:		
Name:		
Title:		

Dated: April 2, 2002

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[FORM OF TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION]

This is one of the Notes described in the within-mentioned Indenture.

WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Trustee

By:
Name:
Authorized Signatory

Dated: April 2, 2002

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(Back of Note)

6.50% [Series A] [Series C]/2/ Notes due 2007

[THIS GLOBAL NOTE IS HELD BY THE DEPOSITARY (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE GOVERNING THIS NOTE) OR ITS NOMINEE IN CUSTODY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS HEREOF, AND IS NOT TRANSFERABLE TO ANY PERSON UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES EXCEPT THAT (I) THE TRUSTEE MAY MAKE SUCH NOTATIONS HEREON AS MAY BE REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.6 OF THE INDENTURE, (II) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE EXCHANGED IN WHOLE BUT NOT IN PART PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.6(a) OF THE INDENTURE, (III) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE DELIVERED TO THE TRUSTEE FOR CANCELLATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.11 OF THE INDENTURE AND (IV) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO A SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY WITH THE PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE COMPANY.]/3/

[UNLESS AND UNTIL IT IS EXCHANGED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FOR NOTES IN DEFINITIVE FORM, THIS NOTE MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT AS A WHOLE BY THE DEPOSITARY TO A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY OR BY A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY TO THE DEPOSITARY OR ANOTHER NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY OR BY THE DEPOSITARY OR ANY SUCH NOMINEE TO A SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE OF SUCH SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY. UNLESS THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY (55 WATER STREET, NEW YORK, NEW YORK) ("DTC"), TO THE COMPANY OR ITS

AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT, AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR SUCH OTHER NAME AS MAY BE REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS MAY BE REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL

/2/ Series A Notes should be replaced with Series C Notes in the Exchange Offer.

/3/ To be included only on Global Notes deposited with DTC as Depositary.

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INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.]/4/

[THE RIGHTS ATTACHING TO THIS REGULATION S TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE AND THE CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURES GOVERNING ITS EXCHANGE FOR DEFINITIVE NOTES, ARE AS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE (AS DEFINED HEREIN). NEITHER THE HOLDER NOR THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THIS REGULATION S TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE CASH PAYMENTS OF INTEREST DURING THE PERIOD WHICH SUCH HOLDER HOLDS THIS NOTE. NOTHING IN THIS LEGEND SHALL BE DEEMED TO PREVENT INTEREST FROM ACCRUING ON THIS NOTE.]/5/

[THE NOTE EVIDENCED HEREBY HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT (A) BY THE INITIAL INVESTOR (1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A, (2) IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (3) PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED BY RULE 144 THEREUNDER (IF AVAILABLE), OR (4) PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, AND (B) BY SUBSEQUENT INVESTORS, AS SET FORTH IN (A) ABOVE, AND, IN ADDITION, TO AN INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT, IN EACH CASE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES.]/6/

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Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture referred to below unless otherwise indicated.

1. Interest. Mohawk Industries, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), promises to pay interest on the principal amount of this Note at 6.50% per annum from April 2, 2002 until maturity and shall pay the Special Interest, if any, payable pursuant to Section 2 of the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement referred to below.* The Company will pay interest and Special Interest, if any, semi-annually in arrears on April 15 and October 15 of each year, or if any such day is not a Business Day, on the next succeeding Business Day (each an "Interest Payment Date"). Interest on the Notes will accrue from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or provided for or, if no interest has been paid, from the Issue Date; provided, that if there is no existing Default in the payment of interest, and if this Note is authenticated between a Record Date (defined below) referred to on the face hereof and the next succeeding Interest Payment Date, interest shall accrue from such next succeeding Interest Payment Date; provided, further, that the first Interest Payment Date shall be October 15, 2002. The Company shall pay interest on

^{/4/} To be included only on Global Notes deposited with DTC as Depositary.

^{/5/} To be included only on Reg S Temporary Global Notes.

^{/6/} To be included only on Transfer Restricted Notes.

overdue principal and premium, if any, from time to time on demand at the rate then in effect; it shall pay interest on overdue installments of interest and Special Interest, if any, (without regard to any applicable grace periods) from time to time on demand at the same rate to the extent lawful. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

2. Method of Payment. The Company will pay interest on the Notes (except defaulted interest) and Special Interest, if any, to the Persons who are registered Holders of Notes at the close of business on the April 1 or October 1 next preceding the Interest Payment Date (each a "Record Date"), even if such Notes are cancelled after such Record Date and on or before such Interest Payment Date, except as provided in Section 2.12 of the Indenture (as defined below) with respect to defaulted interest. The Notes will be payable as to principal, premium, interest and Special Interest, if any, at the office or agency of the Company maintained in the Borough of Manhattan, The City and State of New York for such purpose, or, at the option of the Company, payment of interest and Special Interest, if any, may be made by check mailed to the Holders at their addresses set forth in the register of Holders, and provided, that payment by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account within the United States will be required with respect to principal of and interest, premium and Special Interest, if any, on all Global Notes. Such payment shall be in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts.

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- 3. Paying Agent and Registrar. Initially, Wachovia Bank, National Association, the Trustee under the Indenture, will act as Paying Agent and Registrar. The Company may change any Paying Agent or Registrar without notice to any Holder. The Company or any of its Subsidiaries may act in any such capacity.
- 4. Indenture. The Company issued the Notes under an Indenture dated as of April 2, 2002 ("Indenture") by and between the Company and the Trustee. The terms of the Notes include those stated in the Indenture and those made part of the Indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (15 U.S. Code ss.ss. 77aaa-77bbbb). The Notes are subject to all such terms, and Holders are referred to the Indenture and such Act for a statement of such terms.
 - 5. Optional Redemption.
- (a) The Notes will be redeemable for cash at the option of the Company, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, upon not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days prior notice mailed by first class mail to each Holder at its last registered address, at the Redemption Price. The Redemption Price shall be equal to the greater of the following amounts, plus, in each case, accrued and unpaid interest to the Redemption Date:
 - (i) 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed, or
 - (ii) as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, the sum of the present values of the remaining principal amount and scheduled payments of interest on the Notes to be redeemed, assuming for this purpose that the Notes remain outstanding until maturity (not including any portion of payments of interest accrued as of the Redemption Date), discounted to the Redemption Date in accordance with customary market practice on a semiannual basis at the Treasury Rate, plus 25 basis points.
- (b) The Redemption Price shall be calculated assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. For purposes of calculating the Redemption Price, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

"Comparable Treasury Issue" means the United States Treasury security selected by the Independent Investment Banker as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term of the Notes to be redeemed that would be used, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary market practice, in pricing new

 $^{^{\}star}$ References in this Form of Note to Special Interest shall apply only to Series A Notes.

issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of the Notes.

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"Comparable Treasury Price" means, with respect to any Redemption Date: (i) the average of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) on the third Business Day preceding the Redemption Date, as set forth in the daily statistical release (or any successor release) published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and designated "Composite 3:30 p.m. Quotations for U.S. Government Securities," or (ii) if such release (or any successor release) is not published or does not contain such prices on such Business Day: (A) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for that Redemption Date, after excluding the highest and lowest of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, or (B) if the Trustee obtains fewer than three Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations or received.

"Independent Investment Banker" means one of the Reference Treasury Dealers selected by the Trustee after consultation with the Company.

"Reference Treasury Dealer" means: (i) Goldman, Sachs & Co., (ii) First Union Securities, Inc., and (iii) SunTrust Capital Markets, Inc., and their respective successors, unless any of them ceases to be a primary U.S. Government securities dealer in New York, New York (a "Primary Treasury Dealer") after the date hereof, in which case the Company shall substitute another nationally recognized investment banking firm that is a Primary Treasury Dealer.

"Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations" means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any Redemption Date, the average, as determined by the Trustee, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Trustee by such Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third Business Day preceding that Redemption Date.

"Treasury Rate" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, the rate per year equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated on the third Business Day preceding the Redemption Date, assuming a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for that Redemption Date.

6. Notice of redemption will be mailed by first class mail at least 30 days but not more than 60 days before the Redemption Date to each Holder whose Notes are to be redeemed at its registered address. Notes in denominations larger than \$1,000 may be redeemed in part but only in integral multiples of \$1,000, unless all of the Notes held by a Holder are to be redeemed. On and after the Redemption Date, interest (and Special Interest, if any) ceases to accrue on Notes or portions thereof called for redemption unless the Company defaults in such payments due on the Redemption Date.

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- 7. Mandatory Redemption. The Company shall not be required to make mandatory redemption payments with respect to the Notes. The Notes shall not have the benefit of any sinking fund.
- 8. Denominations, Transfer, Exchange. The Notes are in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000. The transfer of Notes may be registered and Notes may be exchanged as provided in the Indenture. The Registrar and the Trustee may require a Holder, among other things, to furnish appropriate endorsements and transfer documents and the Company may require a Holder to pay any taxes and fees required by law or permitted by the Indenture. The Company need not exchange or register the transfer of any Note or portion of a Note selected for redemption, except for the unredeemed portion of any Note being redeemed in part. Also, it need not exchange or register the transfer of any Notes for a period of 15 days before a selection of Notes to be redeemed or during the period between a Record Date and the corresponding Interest Payment Date.

- 9. Persons Deemed Owners. The registered Holder of a Note may be treated as its owner for all purposes.
- 10. Amendment, Supplement and Waiver. Subject to certain exceptions, the Indenture or the Notes may be amended or supplemented with the consent of the Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes, and any existing Default or compliance with any provision of the Indenture or the Notes may be waived with the consent of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes. Without the consent of any Holder of a Note, the Indenture or the Notes may be amended or supplemented (a) to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency, (b) to add to the covenants of the Company such further covenants, restrictions or conditions for the benefit of the Holders, and to make the occurrence, or the occurrence and continuance, of a Default in any such additional covenants, restrictions or conditions a Default or an Event of Default permitting the enforcement of all or any of the several remedies provided in this Indenture as herein set forth; provided, however, that in respect of any such additional covenant, restriction or condition such supplemental indenture may provide for a particular period of grace after Default (which period may be shorter or longer than allowed in the case of other Defaults, but shall not exceed 90 days) or may provide for any immediate enforcement upon such Default or may limit the remedies available to be exercised by the Trustee in its discretion upon such Default but may not limit the remedies available to be exercised by the Holders; (c) to provide for collateral for or guarantors of the Notes; (d) to evidence the succession of another Person to the Company, and the assumption by any such successor of the obligations of the Company, herein and in the Indenture in accordance with the terms of the Indenture; (e) to modify, eliminate or add to the provisions of the Indenture to comply with the TIA; (f) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment of a successor Trustee with

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respect to the Notes; (g) in any other case where a supplemental indenture is required or permitted to be entered into pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture without the consent of any Holder; or (h) to provide for the issuance and authorization of the Exchange Notes.

- 11. Defaults and Remedies. The Indenture provides that each of the following constitutes an Event of Default:
 - (i) the Company's failure to pay any installment of interest (or Special Interest, if any) on the Notes as and when the same becomes due and payable and the continuance of any such failure for 30 days;
 - (ii) the Company's failure to pay all or any part of the principal of, or premium, if any, on the Notes when and as the same becomes due and payable at maturity, redemption, by acceleration or otherwise;
 - (iii) the Company's failure to observe or perform any other covenant or agreement contained in the Notes or the Indenture and the continuance of such failure for a period of 60 days after written notice is given to the Company by the Trustee or to the Company and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Notes outstanding;
 - (iv) a decree, judgment, or order by a court of competent jurisdiction shall have been entered adjudicating the Company as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization of the Company under any bankruptcy or similar law, and such decree or order shall have continued undischarged and unstayed for a period of 60 days; or a decree, judgment or order of a court of competent jurisdiction appointing a receiver, liquidator, trustee, or assignee in bankruptcy or insolvency for the Company, or any substantial part of the property of any such Person, or for the winding up or liquidation of the affairs of any such Person, shall have been entered, and such decree, judgment, or order shall have remained in force undischarged and unstayed for a period of 60 days; and
 - (v) the Company shall institute proceedings to be adjudicated a voluntary bankrupt, or shall consent to the filing of a bankruptcy proceeding against it, or shall file a petition or answer or consent

seeking reorganization under any bankruptcy or similar law or similar statute, or shall consent to the filing of any such petition, or shall consent to the appointment of a custodian, receiver, liquidator, trustee, or assignee in bankruptcy or insolvency of it or any substantial part of its assets or property, or shall make a general assignment for the benefit of

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creditors, or shall admit in writing its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or take any corporate action in furtherance of any of the foregoing.

- 12. Trustee Dealings with Company. The Trustee, in its individual or any other capacity, may make loans to, accept deposits from, and perform services for the Company or its Affiliates, and may otherwise deal with the Company or its Affiliates, as if it were not the Trustee.
- 13. No Recourse Against Others. No direct or indirect stockholder, employee, officer or director, as such, past, present or future, of the Company, or any successor entity, shall have any personal liability in respect of the obligations of the Company under the Notes or the Indenture solely by reason of his or its status as such stockholder, employee, officer or director. Each Securityholder by accepting a Note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for the issuance of the Notes.
- $\,$ 14. Authentication. This Note shall not be valid until authenticated by the manual or facsimile signature of the Trustee or an authenticating agent.
- 15. Abbreviations. Customary abbreviations may be used in the name of a Holder or an assignee, such as: TEN COM (= tenants in common), TEN ENT (= tenants by the entireties), JT TEN (= joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common), CUST (= Custodian), and U/G/M/A (= Uniform Gifts to Minors Act).
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- 17. CUSIP Numbers. Pursuant to a recommendation promulgated by the Committee on Uniform Security Identification Procedures, the Company has caused CUSIP numbers to be printed on the Notes, and the Trustee may use CUSIP numbers in notices of redemption as a convenience to Holders. No representation is made as to the accuracy of such numbers either as printed on the Notes or as contained in any notice of redemption and reliance may be placed only on the other identification numbers placed

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thereon, and any such redemption shall not be affected by any defect in or omission of such numbers.

18. Governing Law. THE INDENTURE AND THE NOTES SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, SECTIONS 5-1401 AND 5-1402 OF THE NEW YORK GENERAL OBLIGATIONS LAW AND RULE 327(b) OF THE NEW YORK CIVIL PRACTICE LAWS AND RULES.

The Company will furnish to any Holder upon written request and without charge a copy of the Indenture and/or the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement. Requests may be made to:

Mohawk Industries, Inc. 160 So. Industrial Blvd. Calhoun, Georgia 30703 Attention: Chief Financial Officer Telephone No.: (706) 625-3851

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Assignment Form

To assign the this Note to		n the form belo	w: (I) or (we)	assign and transfer
	(Insert a	ssignee's soc.	sec. or tax I.D	o. no.)
	(Print or typ	e assignee's na	me, address and	l zip code)
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Date:	Your Si	gnature:		
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Date of Exchange	Amount of decrease in Principal Amount of this Global Note	Amount of increase in Principal Amount of this Global Note	Principal Amount of this Global Note following such decrease or increase)	authorized officer of Trustee or Note

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[FORM OF NOTE]

MOHAWK INDUSTRIES, INC.

7.20% [SERIES B] [SERIES D]/1/ NOTE DUE 2012

	CUSIP No.:
No.	\$
Mohawk Industries, Inc., a Delaware "Company", which term includes any success referred to), for value received, hereby registered assigns, the principal sum of	promises to pay to , or
Interest Payment Dates: April 15 and Octo	ober 15; commencing October 15, 2002.
Record Dates: April 1 and October 1.	
Reference is made to the further provision which will, for all purposes, have the samplace.	
/1/ Series B Notes should be replaced wo	ith Series D Notes in the Exchange
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has executed.	Caused this instrument to be duly MOHAWK INDUSTRIES, INC. a Delaware corporation By: Name: Title:
	By: Name:
	Title:
Dated: April 2, 2002	
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[FORM OF TRUSTEE'S CERTI	FICATE OF AUTHENTICATION]
This is one of the Notes described	in the within-mentioned Indenture.
	WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Trustee
	Ву:
	Name: Authorized Signatory

Dated: April 2, 2002

(Back of Note)

7.20% [Series B] [Series D]/2/ Notes due 2012

[THIS GLOBAL NOTE IS HELD BY THE DEPOSITARY (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE GOVERNING THIS NOTE) OR ITS NOMINEE IN CUSTODY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS HEREOF, AND IS NOT TRANSFERABLE TO ANY PERSON UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES EXCEPT THAT (I) THE TRUSTEE MAY MAKE SUCH NOTATIONS HEREON AS MAY BE REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.6 OF THE INDENTURE, (II) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE EXCHANGED IN WHOLE BUT NOT IN PART PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.6(a) OF THE INDENTURE, (III) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE DELIVERED TO THE TRUSTEE FOR CANCELLATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.11 OF THE INDENTURE AND (IV) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO A SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY WITH THE PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE COMPANY.1/3/

[UNLESS AND UNTIL IT IS EXCHANGED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FOR NOTES IN DEFINITIVE FORM, THIS NOTE MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT AS A WHOLE BY THE DEPOSITARY TO A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY OR BY A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY TO THE DEPOSITARY OR ANOTHER NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY OR BY THE DEPOSITARY OR ANY SUCH NOMINEE TO A SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE OF SUCH SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY. UNLESS THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY (55 WATER STREET, NEW YORK, NEW YORK) ("DTC"), TO THE COMPANY OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT, AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR SUCH OTHER NAME AS MAY BE REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS MAY BE REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL

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INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.]/4/

[THE RIGHTS ATTACHING TO THIS REGULATION S TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE AND THE CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURES GOVERNING ITS EXCHANGE FOR DEFINITIVE NOTES, ARE AS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE (AS DEFINED HEREIN). NEITHER THE HOLDER NOR THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THIS REGULATION S TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE CASH PAYMENTS OF INTEREST DURING THE PERIOD WHICH SUCH HOLDER HOLDS THIS NOTE. NOTHING IN THIS LEGEND SHALL BE DEEMED TO PREVENT INTEREST FROM ACCRUING ON THIS NOTE.]/5/

[THE NOTE EVIDENCED HEREBY HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT (A) BY THE INITIAL INVESTOR (1) TO A PERSON WHOM THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A, (2) IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (3) PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED BY RULE 144 THEREUNDER (IF AVAILABLE), OR (4) PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, AND (B) BY SUBSEQUENT INVESTORS, AS SET FORTH IN (A) ABOVE, AND, IN ADDITION, TO AN INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT, IN EACH CASE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES.]/6/

^{/2/} Series B Notes should be replaced with Series D Notes in the Exchange Offer.

^{/3/} To be included only on Global Notes deposited with DTC as Depositary.

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^{/5/} To be included only on Reg S Temporary Glabal Notes.

/6/ To be included only on Transfer Restricted Notes.

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Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture referred to below unless otherwise indicated.

1. Interest. Mohawk Industries, Inc., a Delaware corporation

(the "Company"), promises to pay interest on the principal amount of this Note at 7.20% per annum from April 2, 2002 until maturity and shall pay the Special Interest, if any, payable pursuant to Section 2 of the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement referred to below.* The Company will pay interest and Special Interest, if any, semi-annually in arrears on April 15 and October 15 of each year, or if any such day is not a Business Day, on the next succeeding Business Day (each an "Interest Payment Date"). Interest on the Notes will accrue from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or provided for or, if no interest has been paid, from the Issue Date; provided, that if there is no existing Default in the payment of interest, and if this Note is authenticated between a Record Date (defined below) referred to on the face hereof and the next succeeding Interest Payment Date, interest shall accrue from such next succeeding Interest Payment Date; provided, further, that the first Interest Payment Date shall be October 15, 2002. The Company shall pay interest on overdue principal and premium, if any, from time to time on demand at the rate then in effect; it shall pay interest on overdue installments of interest and Special Interest, if any, (without regard to any applicable grace periods) from time to time on demand at the same rate to the extent lawful. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

2. Method of Payment. The Company will pay interest on the Notes (except defaulted interest) and Special Interest, if any, to the Persons who are registered Holders of Notes at the close of business on the April 1 or October 1 next preceding the Interest Payment Date (each a "Record Date"), even if such Notes are cancelled after such Record Date and on or before such Interest Payment Date, except as provided in Section 2.12 of the Indenture (as defined below) with respect to defaulted interest. The Notes will be payable as to principal, premium, interest and Special Interest, if any, at the office or agency of the Company maintained in the Borough of Manhattan, The City and State of New York for such purpose, or, at the option of the Company, payment of interest and Special Interest, if any, may be made by check mailed to the Holders at their addresses set forth in the register of Holders, and provided, that payment by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account within the United States will be required with respect to principal of and interest, premium and Special Interest, if any, on all Global Notes. Such payment shall be in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts.

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 $^{^{\}prime\prime}$ References in this Form of Note to Special Interest shall apply only to Series B Notes.

^{3.} Paying Agent and Registrar. Initially, Wachovia Bank, National Association, the Trustee under the Indenture, will act as Paying Agent and Registrar. The Company may change any Paying Agent or Registrar without notice to any Holder. The Company or any of its Subsidiaries may act in any such capacity.

^{4.} Indenture. The Company issued the Notes under an Indenture dated as of April 2, 2002 ("Indenture") by and between the Company and the Trustee. The terms of the Notes include those stated in the Indenture and those made part of the Indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (15 U.S. Code ss.ss. 77aaa-77bbbb). The Notes are subject to all such terms, and Holders are referred to the Indenture and such Act for a statement of such terms.

^{5.} Optional Redemption.

- (a) The Notes will be redeemable for cash at the option of the Company, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, upon not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days prior notice mailed by first class mail to each Holder at its last registered address, at the Redemption Price. The Redemption Price shall be equal to the greater of the following amounts, plus, in each case, accrued and unpaid interest to the Redemption Date:
 - (i) $$100\mbox{\ensuremath{\$}}$ of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed, or$
 - (ii) as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, the sum of the present values of the remaining principal amount and scheduled payments of interest on the Notes to be redeemed, assuming for this purpose that the Notes remain outstanding until maturity (not including any portion of payments of interest accrued as of the Redemption Date), discounted to the Redemption Date in accordance with customary market practice on a semiannual basis at the Treasury Rate, plus 25 basis points.
- (b) The Redemption Price shall be calculated assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. For purposes of calculating the Redemption Price, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

"Comparable Treasury Issue" means the United States Treasury security selected by the Independent Investment Banker as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term of the Notes to be redeemed that would be used, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary market practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of the Notes.

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"Comparable Treasury Price" means, with respect to any Redemption Date: (i) the average of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) on the third Business Day preceding the Redemption Date, as set forth in the daily statistical release (or any successor release) published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and designated "Composite 3:30 p.m. Quotations for U.S. Government Securities," or (ii) if such release (or any successor release) is not published or does not contain such prices on such Business Day: (A) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for that Redemption Date, after excluding the highest and lowest of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, or (B) if the Trustee obtains fewer than three Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations so received.

"Independent Investment Banker" means one of the Reference Treasury Dealers selected by the Trustee after consultation with the Company.

"Reference Treasury Dealer" means: (i) Goldman, Sachs & Co., (ii) First Union Securities, Inc., and (iii) SunTrust Capital Markets, Inc., and their respective successors, unless any of them ceases to be a primary U.S. Government securities dealer in New York, New York (a "Primary Treasury Dealer") after the date hereof, in which case the Company shall substitute another nationally recognized investment banking firm that is a Primary Treasury Dealer.

"Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations" means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any Redemption Date, the average, as determined by the Trustee, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Trustee by such Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third Business Day preceding that Redemption Date.

"Treasury Rate" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, the rate per year equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated on the third Business Day preceding the Redemption Date, assuming a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for that Redemption Date.

6. Notice of redemption will be mailed by first class mail at least 30 days but not more than 60 days before the Redemption Date to each Holder whose Notes are to be redeemed at its registered address. Notes in denominations larger than \$1,000 may be redeemed in part but only in integral multiples of \$1,000, unless all of the Notes held by a Holder are to be redeemed. On and

after the Redemption Date, interest (and Special Interest, if any) ceases to accrue on Notes or portions thereof called for redemption unless the Company defaults in such payments due on the Redemption Date.

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- 7. Mandatory Redemption. The Company shall not be required to make mandatory redemption payments with respect to the Notes. The Notes shall not have the benefit of any sinking fund.
- 8. Denominations, Transfer, Exchange. The Notes are in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000. The transfer of Notes may be registered and Notes may be exchanged as provided in the Indenture. The Registrar and the Trustee may require a Holder, among other things, to furnish appropriate endorsements and transfer documents and the Company may require a Holder to pay any taxes and fees required by law or permitted by the Indenture. The Company need not exchange or register the transfer of any Note or portion of a Note selected for redemption, except for the unredeemed portion of any Note being redeemed in part. Also, it need not exchange or register the transfer of any Notes for a period of 15 days before a selection of Notes to be redeemed or during the period between a Record Date and the corresponding Interest Payment Date.
- 9. Persons Deemed Owners. The registered Holder of a Note may be treated as its owner for all purposes.
- 10. Amendment, Supplement and Waiver. Subject to certain exceptions, the Indenture or the Notes may be amended or supplemented with the consent of the Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes, and any existing Default or compliance with any provision of the Indenture or the Notes may be waived with the consent of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes. Without the consent of any Holder of a Note, the Indenture or the Notes may be amended or supplemented (a) to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency, (b) to add to the covenants of the Company such further covenants, restrictions or conditions for the benefit of the Holders, and to make the occurrence, or the occurrence and continuance, of a Default in any such additional covenants, restrictions or conditions a Default or an Event of Default permitting the enforcement of all or any of the several remedies provided in this Indenture as herein set forth; provided, however, that in respect of any such additional covenant, restriction or condition such supplemental indenture may provide for a particular period of grace after Default (which period may be shorter or longer than allowed in the case of other Defaults, but shall not exceed 90 days) or may provide for any immediate enforcement upon such Default or may limit the remedies available to be exercised by the Trustee in its discretion upon such Default but may not limit the remedies available to be exercised by the Holders; (c) to provide for collateral for or guarantors of the Notes; (d) to evidence the succession of another Person to the Company, and the assumption by any such successor of the obligations of the Company, herein and in the Indenture in accordance with the terms of the Indenture; (e) to modify, eliminate or add to the provisions of the Indenture to comply with the TIA; (f) to

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evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment of a successor Trustee with respect to the Notes; (g) in any other case where a supplemental indenture is required or permitted to be entered into pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture without the consent of any Holder; or (h) to provide for the issuance and authorization of the Exchange Notes.

- 11. Defaults and Remedies. The Indenture provides that each of the following constitutes an Event of Default:
 - (i) the Company's failure to pay any installment of interest (or Special Interest, if any) on the Notes as and when the same becomes due and payable and the continuance of any such failure for 30 days;
 - (ii) the Company's failure to pay all or any part of the principal of, or premium, if any, on the Notes when and as the same becomes due and payable at maturity, redemption, by acceleration or otherwise;

- (iii) the Company's failure to observe or perform any other covenant or agreement contained in the Notes or the Indenture and the continuance of such failure for a period of 60 days after written notice is given to the Company by the Trustee or to the Company and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Notes outstanding;
- (iv) a decree, judgment, or order by a court of competent jurisdiction shall have been entered adjudicating the Company as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization of the Company under any bankruptcy or similar law, and such decree or order shall have continued undischarged and unstayed for a period of 60 days; or a decree, judgment or order of a court of competent jurisdiction appointing a receiver, liquidator, trustee, or assignee in bankruptcy or insolvency for the Company, or any substantial part of the property of any such Person, or for the winding up or liquidation of the affairs of any such Person, shall have been entered, and such decree, judgment, or order shall have remained in force undischarged and unstayed for a period of 60 days; and
- (v) the Company shall institute proceedings to be adjudicated a voluntary bankrupt, or shall consent to the filing of a bankruptcy proceeding against it, or shall file a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization under any bankruptcy or similar law or similar statute, or shall consent to the filing of any such petition, or shall consent to the appointment of a custodian, receiver, liquidator, trustee, or assignee in bankruptcy or insolvency of it or any substantial part of its assets or property, or shall make a general assignment for the benefit of

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creditors, or shall admit in writing its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or take any corporate action in furtherance of any of the foregoing.

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thereon, and any such redemption shall not be affected by any defect in or omission of such numbers.

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Mohawk Industries, Inc. 160 So. Industrial Blvd. Calhoun, Georgia 30703 Attention: Chief Financial Officer Telephone No.: (706) 625-3851

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Assignment Form

To assign this Note, fill in the form below: (I) or (we) assign and transfer this Note to
(Insert assignee's soc. sec. or tax I.D. no.)
(Print or type assignee's name, address and zip code)
and irrevocably appoint $\underline{}$ to transfer this Note on the books of the Company. The agent may substitute another to act for him.
Date: Your Signature:
(Sign exactly as your name appears on the face of this Note)
Signature Guarantee*

*NOTICE: The Signature must be guaranteed by an Institution which is a member of one of the following recognized signature Guarantee Programs: (i) The Securities Transfer Agent Medallion Program (STAMP); (ii) The New York Stock Exchange Medallion Program (MNSP); (iii) The Stock Exchange Medallion Program (SEMP); or (iv) in such other guarantee program acceptable to the Trustee.

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The following exchanges of a part of this Global Note for an interest in another Global Note or for a Definitive Note, or exchanges of a part of another Global Note or Definitive Note for an interest in this Global Note, have been made:

Date of Exchange

Amount of decrease in Amount of increase in Principal Amount of Principal Amount of this Global Note

this Global Note

Principal Amount of this Global Note following such decrease (or increase)

Signature of authorized officer of Trustee or Note Custodian

/8/ This should be included only if the Note is issued in global form.

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EXHIBIT B FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER

Mohawk Industries, Inc. 160 So. Industrial Blvd. Calhoun, Georgia 30703

Attention: Chief Financial Officer

Wachovia Bank, N.A 999 Peachtree Street NE GA 9094 Suite 1100 Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Attention: Corporate Trust Administration

Re: [6.50% Notes due 2007] [7.20% Notes due 2012]

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is hereby made to the Indenture, dated as of April 2, 2002 (the "Indenture"), by and between Mohawk Industries, Inc., as issuer (the "Company") and Wachovia Bank, National Association, as trustee. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the ____, (the "Transferor") owns and proposes to transfer the Indenture. Note[s] or interest[s] in such Note[s] specified in Annex A hereto, in the principal amount of \$_____ in such Note[s] or interest[s] (the (the "Transferee"), as further specified in Annex A "Transfer"), to hereto. In connection with the Transfer, the Transferor hereby certifies that:

[CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]

1. [] Check if Transferee will take delivery of a beneficial interest in the 144A Global Note or a Definitive Note Pursuant to Rule 144A. The Transfer is being effected pursuant to and in accordance with Rule 144A under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and, accordingly, the Transferor hereby further certifies that the beneficial interest or Definitive Note is being transferred to a Person that the Transferor reasonably believed and believes is purchasing the beneficial interest or Definitive Note for its own account, or for one or more accounts with respect to

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which such Person exercises sole investment discretion, and such Person and each such account is a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and such Transfer is in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any State of the United States. Upon consummation of the proposed Transfer in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the transferred beneficial interest or Definitive Note will be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the 144A Global Note and/or the Definitive Note and in the Indenture and the Securities Act.

2. [] Check if Transferee will take delivery of a beneficial interest in the

Regulation S Global Note or a Definitive Note pursuant to Regulation S. The Transfer is being effected pursuant to and in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 under the Securities Act and, accordingly, the Transferor hereby further certifies that (i) the Transfer is not being made to a person in the United States and (x) at the time the buy order was originated, the Transferee was outside the United States or such Transferor and any Person acting on its behalf reasonably believed and believes that the Transferee was outside the United States or (y) the transaction was executed in, on or through the facilities of a designated offshore securities market and neither such Transferor nor any Person acting on its behalf knows that the transaction was prearranged with a buyer in the United States, (ii) no directed selling efforts have been made in contravention of the requirements of Rule 903(b) or Rule 904(b) of Regulation S under the Securities Act, (iii) the transaction is not part of a plan or scheme to evade the registration requirements of the Securities Act and (iv) if the proposed Transfer is being made prior to the expiration of the Distribution Compliance Period, the Transfer is not being made to a U.S. Person or for the account or benefit of a U.S. Person (other than an Initial Purchaser) except as permitted by Regulation S and the interest transferred will be held immediately thereafter through Euroclear or Clearstream. Upon consummation of the proposed Transfer in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the transferred beneficial interest or Definitive Note will be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the Regulation S Global Note and/or the Definitive Note and in the Indenture and the Securities Act.

3. [] Check and complete if Transferee will take delivery of a beneficial interest in a Definitive Note pursuant to any provision of the Securities Act other than Rule 144A or Regulation S. The Transfer is being effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to beneficial interests in Restricted Global Notes and Restricted Definitive Notes and pursuant to and in accordance with the Securities Act and any applicable blue sky securities laws of any State of the United States, and accordingly the Transferor hereby further certifies that (check one):

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- (a) [] Such Transfer is being effected pursuant to and in accordance with Rule 144 under the Securities Act ; or
- (b) $[\]$ Such Transfer is being effected to the Company or a subsidiary thereof; or
- (c) [] Such Transfer is being effected pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act and in compliance with the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act; or
- (d) [] such Transfer is being effected to an Institutional Accredited Investor and pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act other than Rule 144A, Rule 144 or Rule 904, and the Transferor hereby further certifies that it is not an initial investor in the Notes, it has not engaged in any general solicitation within the meaning of Regulation D under the Securities Act, and the Transfer complies with the transfer restrictions applicable to beneficial interests in a Restricted Global Note or Restricted Definitive Note and the requirements of the exemption claimed, which certification is supported by (1) a certificate executed by the Transferee in a form of Exhibit D to the Indenture and (2) if such Transfer is in respect of a principal amount of Notes at the time of transfer of less than \$250,000, an Opinion of Counsel provided by the Transferor or the Transferee (a copy of which the Transferor has attached to this certification and provided to the Company, which has confirmed its acceptability), to the effect that such Transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act. Upon consummation of the proposed Transfer in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the Definitive Note will be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the Definitive Notes and in the Indenture and the Securities Act.
- 4. [] Check if Transferee will take delivery of a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note or of an Unrestricted Definitive Note.
 - (a) [] Check if Transfer is Pursuant to Rule 144. (i) The Transfer is being effected pursuant to and in accordance with Rule 144 under the

Securities Act and in compliance with the transfer restrictions contained in the Indenture and any applicable blue sky securities laws of any State of the United States and (ii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act. Upon consummation of the proposed Transfer in accordance with the terms of

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Indenture, the transferred beneficial interest or Definitive Note will no longer be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the Restricted Global Notes, on Restricted Definitive Notes and in the Indenture and the Securities Act.

- (b) [] Check if Transfer is Pursuant to Regulation S. (i) The Transfer is being effected pursuant to and in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 under the Securities Act and in compliance with the transfer restrictions contained in the Indenture and any applicable blue sky securities laws of any State of the United States and (ii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act. Upon consummation of the proposed Transfer in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the transferred beneficial interest or Definitive Note will no longer be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the Restricted Global Notes, on Restricted Definitive Notes and in the Indenture and the Securities Act.
- (c) [] Check if Transfer is Pursuant to Other Exemption. (i) The Transfer is being effected pursuant to and in compliance with an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act other than Rule 144, Rule 903 or Rule 904 and in compliance with the transfer restrictions contained in the Indenture and any applicable blue sky securities laws of any State of the United States and (ii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act. Upon consummation of the proposed Transfer in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the transferred beneficial interest or Definitive Note will not be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the Restricted Global Notes or Restricted Definitive Notes and in the Indenture.

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This certificate and the statements contained herein are made for your benefit and the benefit of the Company.

	Dated:
[Insert Name of Transferor]	
By:	
Name: Title:	
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ANNEX A TO CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER

1. The Transferor owns and proposes to transfer the following:

[CHECK ONE OF (a) OR (b)]

(a) [] a beneficial interest in the

		(i)	[]	144A Global Note (CUSIP 608190 AA 2), or	
		(ii)	[]	501 Global Note (CUSIP 608190 AC 2), or	
		(iii)	[]	Regulation S Global Note (CUSIPU60725 AA 3), or] [7.20 % Notes due 2012:	
		(i)	[]	144A Global Note (CUSIP 608190 AB 0), or	
		(ii)	[]	501 Global Note (CUSIP 608190 AD 6), or	
		(iii)	[]	Regulation S Global Note (CUSIP U60725 AB 1), or]	
	(b)	[]	a Restri	cted Definitive Note.	
2.	After t	he Tran	sfer the T	ransferee will hold:	
[CHECK O	NE]				
	(a)	[]	a benefi	cial interest in the	
			[6.50% N	otes due 2007:	
		(i)	[] 14	4A Global Note (CUSIP 608190 AA 2), or	
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	(ii)	[_]	501 Globa	l Note (CUSIP 608190 AC 2), or	
	(iii)	[_]	Regulatio	n S Global Note (CUSIP U60725 AA 3), or]	
	[7.20 % Notes due 2012:				
	(i)	[_]	144A Glob	al Note (CUSIP 608190 AB 0), or	
	(ii)	[_]	501 Globa	l Note (CUSIP 608190 AD 6), or	
	(iii)	[_]	Regulation	n S Global Note (CUSIP U60725 AB 1), or]	
	(iv)	[_]	Unrestric	ted Global Note (CUSIP); or	
(b)	[_]	a Rest	ricted Def	initive Note; or	
(c)	(c) [_] an Unrestricted Definitive Note,				
in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.					

[6.50% Notes due 2007:

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EXHIBIT C

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF EXCHANGE

Attention: Chief Financial Officer

Wachovia Bank, National Association 999 Peachtree Street NE GA 9094 Suite 1100 Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Attention: Corporate Trust Administration

Re: [6.50% Notes due 2007] [7.20% Notes due 2012]

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is hereby made to the Indenture, dated as of April 2, 2002 (the "Indenture"), by and between Mohawk Industries, Inc., as issuer (the "Company") and Wachovia Bank, National Association, as trustee. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Indenture.

_, (the "Owner") owns and proposes to exchange the Note[s] or interest[s] in such Note[s] specified herein, in the principal amount of \$_____ in such Note[s] or interest[s] (the "Exchange"). In connection with the Exchange, the Owner hereby certifies that:

Exchange of Restricted Definitive Notes or Beneficial 1. Interests in a Restricted Global Note for Unrestricted Definitive Notes or Beneficial Interests in an Unrestricted Global Note.

(a) [_] Check if Exchange is from beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note to beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note. In connection with the Exchange of the Owner's beneficial interest in a Restricted Global

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Note for a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note in an equal principal amount, the Owner hereby certifies (i) the beneficial interest is being acquired for the Owner's own account without transfer, (ii) such Exchange has been effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Restricted Global Notes and pursuant to and in accordance with the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), (iii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act and (iv) the beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note is being acquired in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any State of the United States.

- [] Check if Exchange is from beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note to Unrestricted Definitive Note. In connection with the Exchange of the Owner's beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note for an Unrestricted Definitive Note, the Owner hereby certifies (i) the Definitive Note is being acquired for the Owner's own account without transfer, (ii) such Exchange has been effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Restricted Global Notes and pursuant to and in accordance with the Securities Act, (iii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act and (iv) the Unrestricted Definitive Note is being acquired in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any State of the United States.
- (c) [] Check if Exchange is from Restricted Definitive Note to beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note. In connection with the Owner's Exchange of a Restricted Definitive Note for a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note, the Owner hereby certifies (i) the beneficial interest is being acquired for the Owner's own account without transfer, (ii) such Exchange has been effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to Restricted Definitive Notes and pursuant to and in accordance with the Securities Act, (iii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act and (iv) the beneficial interest is being acquired in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any State of the United States.

(d) [_] Check if Exchange is from Restricted Definitive Note to Unrestricted Definitive Note. In connection with the Owner's Exchange of a Restricted Definitive Note for an Unrestricted Definitive Note, the Owner hereby certifies (i) the Unrestricted Definitive Note is being acquired for the Owner's own account without transfer, (ii) such Exchange has been effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to Restricted Definitive Notes and pursuant to and in accordance
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with the Securities Act, (iii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act and (iv) the Unrestricted Definitive Note is being acquired in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any State of the United States.
2. Exchange of Restricted Definitive Notes or Beneficial Interests in Restricted Global Notes for Restricted Definitive Notes or Beneficial Interests in Restricted Global Notes.
(a) [_] Check if Exchange is from beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note to Restricted Definitive Note. In connection with the Exchange of the Owner's beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note for a Restricted Definitive Note with an equal principal amount, the Owner hereby certifies that (i) the Restricted Definitive Note is being acquired for the Owner's own account without transfer and (ii) such Exchange has been effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Restricted Global Notes and pursuant to and in accordance with the Securities Act, and in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any State of the United States. Upon consummation of the proposed Exchange in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the Restricted Definitive Note issued will continue to be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the Restricted Definitive Note and in the Indenture and the Securities Act.
(b) [_] Check if Exchange is from Restricted Definitive Note to beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note. In connection with the Exchange of the Owner's Restricted Definitive Note for a beneficial interest in the: [CHECK ONE] [_] 144A Global Note, [_] Reg S Global Note, or [_] Rule 501 Global Note with an equal principal amount, the Owner hereby certifies (i) the beneficial interest is being acquired for the Owner's own account without transfer and (ii) such Exchange has been effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Restricted Global Notes and pursuant to and in accordance with the Securities Act, and in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any State of the United States. Upon consummation of the proposed Exchange in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the beneficial interest issued will be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the relevant Restricted Global Note and in the Indenture and the Securities Act.
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This certificate and the statements contained herein are made for your benefit and the benefit of the Company.
[Insert Name of Owner]
By:
Name:

Title:

Dated:			
accu.			

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EXHIBIT D

FORM OF CERTIFICATE FROM ACQUIRING

INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR

Mohawk Industries, Inc. 160 So. Industrial Blvd. Calhoun, Georgia 30703 Attention: Chief Financial Officer

Wachovia Bank, National Association 999 Peachtree Street NE GA 9094 Suite 1100 Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Attention: Corporate Trust Administration

Re: [6.50% Notes due 2007] [7.20% Notes due 2012]

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is hereby made to the Indenture, dated as of April 2, 2002 (the "Indenture"), by and between Mohawk Industries, Inc., as issuer (the "Company") and Wachovia Bank, National Association, as trustee. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Indenture.

In connection with our proposed purchase of \S aggregate principal amount of: (a) a beneficial interest in a Global Note, or (b) a Definitive Note, we confirm that:

- 1. We understand that any subsequent transfer of the Notes or any interest therein is subject to certain restrictions and conditions set forth in the Indenture and the undersigned agrees to be bound by, and not to resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Notes or any interest therein except in compliance with, such restrictions and conditions and the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").
- 2. We understand that the offer and sale of the Notes have not been registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, and that the Notes may not be offered, sold, pledged or otherwise transferred except as permitted in the following sentence. We agree, on our own behalf and on behalf of any accounts for which we are acting as hereinafter stated, that we will not offer, sell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Notes, except (A) by the initial investor (1) to a person whom the seller reasonably believes is a qualified institutional buyer within the meaning of Rule 144A under the

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Securities Act purchasing for its own account or for a qualified institutional buyer in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A, (2) in an offshore transaction complying with Rule 903 or 904 of Regulation S under the Securities Act, (3) pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act provided by Rule 144 thereunder (if available) or (4) pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act, and (B) by subsequent investors, as set forth in (A) above, and, in addition, to an institutional

accredited investor in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, in each case, in accordance with all applicable securities laws of the United States and we further agree to notify any purchaser of the Notes from us of the resale restrictions referred to above.

- 3. We understand that, on any proposed resale of the Notes or beneficial interest therein, we will be required to furnish to you and the Company such certifications, legal opinions and other information as you and the Company may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed sale complies with the foregoing restrictions. We further understand that the Notes purchased by us will bear a legend to the foregoing effect. We further understand that any subsequent transfer by us of the Notes or beneficial interest therein acquired by us must be effected through one of the Initial Purchasers.
- 4. We are an institutional "accredited investor" (as defined in Rule $501(a)\,(1)$, (2), (3) or (7) of Regulation D under the Securities Act) and have such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of our investment in the Notes, and we and any accounts for which we are acting are each able to bear the economic risk of our or its investment.
- 5. We are acquiring the Notes or beneficial interest therein purchased by us for our own account or for one or more accounts (each of which is an institutional "accredited investor") as to each of which we exercise sole investment discretion.

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You and the Company are entitled to rely upon this letter and are irrevocably authorized to produce this letter or a copy hereof to any interested party in any administrative or legal proceedings or official inquiry with respect to the matters covered hereby.

	Dated:	
[Insert Name of Accredited Investor]		
By:		
Name:		
Title.		

Mohawk Industries, Inc.

6.50% Notes due 2007

7.20% Notes due 2012

Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement

April 2, 2002

Goldman, Sachs & Co., First Union Securities, Inc. SunTrust Capital Markets, Inc. c/o Goldman, Sachs & Co. 85 Broad Street New York, New York 10004

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Mohawk Industries, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), proposes to issue and sell to the Purchasers (as defined herein) upon the terms set forth in the Purchase Agreement (as defined herein) its 6.50% Notes due 2007 and its 7.20% Notes due 2012. As an inducement to the Purchasers to enter into the Purchase Agreement and in satisfaction of a condition to the obligations of the Purchasers thereunder, the Company agrees with the Purchasers for the benefit of holders (as defined herein) from time to time of the Registrable Securities (as defined herein) as follows:

1. Certain Definitions. For purposes of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, the following terms shall have the following respective meanings:

"Base Interest" shall mean the interest that would otherwise accrue on the Securities under the terms thereof and the Indenture, without giving effect to the provisions of this Agreement.

The term "broker-dealer" shall mean any broker or dealer registered with the Commission under the Exchange ${\sf Act.}$

"Closing Date" shall mean the date on which the Securities are initially issued.

"Commission" shall mean the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, or any other federal agency at the time administering the Exchange Act or the Securities Act, whichever is the relevant statute for the particular purpose.

"Effective Time," in the case of (i) an Exchange Registration, shall mean the time and date as of which the Commission declares the Exchange Registration Statement effective or as of which the Exchange Registration Statement otherwise becomes effective and (ii) a Shelf Registration, shall mean the time and date as of which the Commission declares the

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Shelf Registration Statement effective or as of which the Shelf Registration Statement otherwise becomes effective.

"Electing Holder" shall mean any holder of Registrable Securities that has returned a completed and signed Notice and Questionnaire to the Company in accordance with Section 3(d)(ii) or 3(d)(iii) hereof.

"Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or any successor thereto, as the same shall be amended from time to time.

"Exchange Offer" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section $2\,(a)$ hereof.

"Exchange Registration" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section $3\,\mathrm{(c)}$ hereof.

"Exchange Registration Statement" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section 2(a) hereof.

"Exchange Securities" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section $2\,(a)$ hereof.

The term "holder" shall mean each of the Purchasers and other persons who acquire Registrable Securities from time to time (including any successors or assigns), in each case for so long as such person owns any Registrable Securities.

"Indenture" shall mean the Indenture, dated as of April 2, 2002, between the Company and Wachovia Bank, National Association, as Trustee, as the same shall be amended from time to time.

"Notice and Questionnaire" means a Notice of Registration Statement and Selling Securityholder Questionnaire substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto.

The term "person" shall mean a corporation, association, partnership, organization, business, individual, government or political subdivision thereof or governmental agency.

"Purchase Agreement" shall mean the Purchase Agreement, dated as of March 25, 2002, between the Purchasers and the Company relating to the Securities.

"Purchasers" shall mean the Purchasers named in Schedule I to the Purchase Agreement.

"Registrable Securities" shall mean the Securities; provided, however, that a Security shall cease to be a Registrable Security when (i) in the circumstances contemplated by Section 2(a) hereof, the Security has been exchanged for an Exchange Security in an Exchange Offer as contemplated in Section 2(a) hereof (provided that any Exchange Security that, pursuant to the last two sentences of Section 2(a), is included in a prospectus for use in connection with resales by broker-dealers shall be deemed to be a Registrable Security with respect to Sections 5, 6 and 9 until resale of such Registrable Security has been effected within the 180-day period referred to in Section 2(a)); (ii) in the circumstances contemplated by Section 2(b) hereof, a Shelf Registration Statement registering such Security under the Securities Act has been declared or becomes effective and such Security has been sold or otherwise transferred by the holder thereof pursuant to and in a manner contemplated by such effective Shelf Registration Statement; (iii) such Security is sold pursuant to Rule 144 under circumstances in which any legend borne by such Security relating to restrictions on transferability thereof, under the Securities Act or otherwise, is

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removed by the Company or pursuant to the Indenture; (iv) such Security is eligible to be sold pursuant to paragraph (k) of Rule 144; or (v) such Security shall cease to be outstanding.

"Registration Default" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section $2\,\mbox{(c)}$ hereof.

"Registration Expenses" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section 4 hereof.

"Resale Period" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section $2\,(\mathrm{a})$ hereof.

"Restricted Holder" shall mean (i) a holder that is an affiliate of the Company within the meaning of Rule 405, (ii) a holder who acquires Exchange Securities outside the ordinary course of such holder's business, (iii) a holder who has arrangements or understandings with any person to participate in the Exchange Offer for the purpose of distributing Exchange Securities and (iv) a holder that is a broker-dealer, but only with respect to Exchange Securities received by such broker-dealer pursuant to an Exchange Offer in exchange for Registrable Securities acquired by the

broker-dealer directly from the Company.

"Rule 144," "Rule 405" and "Rule 415" shall mean, in each case, such rule promulgated under the Securities Act (or any successor provision), as the same shall be amended from time to time.

"Securities" shall mean, collectively, the 6.50% Notes due 2007 and the 7.20% Notes due 2012 of the Company to be issued and sold to the Purchasers, and securities issued in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof, respectively, pursuant to the Indenture, unless expressly stated herein to refer to either or each such series individually or the context so requires.

"Securities Act" shall mean the Securities Act of 1933, or any successor thereto, as the same shall be amended from time to time.

"Shelf Registration" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section $2\,\mathrm{(b)}$ hereof.

"Shelf Registration Statement" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section $2\,(b)$ hereof.

"Special Interest" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section $2\,\mathrm{(c)}$ hereof.

"Trust Indenture Act" shall mean the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, or any successor thereto, and the rules, regulations and forms promulgated thereunder, all as the same shall be amended from time to time.

Unless the context otherwise requires, any reference herein to a "Section" or "clause" refers to a Section or clause, as the case may be, of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, and the words "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Section or other subdivision.

- 2. Registration Under the Securities Act.
- (a) Except as set forth in Section 2(b) below, the Company agrees to file under the Securities Act, as soon as practicable, but no later than 90 days after the Closing Date, one

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or more registration statements relating to an offer to exchange (each such registration statement, the "Exchange Registration Statement", and each such offer, the "Exchange Offer") any and all of each series of the Securities for a like aggregate principal amount of debt securities issued by the Company, which debt securities are substantially identical to the respective series of the Securities (and are entitled to the benefits of a trust indenture which is substantially identical to the Indenture or is the Indenture and which has been qualified under the Trust Indenture Act), except that they have been registered pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act and do not contain provisions for the additional interest contemplated in Section 2(c) below (all such new debt securities hereinafter called "Exchange Securities"). The Company agrees to use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Exchange Registration Statement to become effective under the Securities Act as soon as practicable, but no later than 180 days after the Closing Date. The Exchange Offer will be registered under the Securities Act on the appropriate form and will comply with all applicable tender offer rules and regulations under the Exchange Act. The Company further agrees to use its reasonable best efforts to commence and complete the Exchange Offer promptly, but no later than 45 days after such registration statement has become effective, hold the Exchange Offer open for at least 30 days and exchange Exchange Securities for all Registrable Securities that have been properly tendered and not withdrawn on or prior to the expiration of the Exchange Offer. The Exchange Offer will be deemed to have been "completed" only if the debt securities received by holders other than Restricted Holders in the Exchange Offer for Registrable Securities are, upon receipt, transferable by each such holder without restriction under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and without material restrictions under the blue sky or securities laws of a substantial majority of the States of the

United States of America. The Exchange Offer shall be deemed to have been completed upon the earlier to occur of (i) the Company having exchanged the Exchange Securities for all outstanding Registrable Securities pursuant to the Exchange Offer and (ii) the Company having exchanged, pursuant to the Exchange Offer, Exchange Securities for all Registrable Securities that have been properly tendered and not withdrawn before the expiration of the Exchange Offer, which shall be on a date that is at least 30 days following the commencement of the Exchange Offer. The Company agrees (x) to include in the Exchange Registration Statement a prospectus for use in any resales by any holder of Exchange Securities that is a broker-dealer and (y) to keep such Exchange Registration Statement effective for a period (the "Resale Period") beginning when Exchange Securities are first issued in the Exchange Offer and ending upon the earlier of the expiration of the 180th day after the Exchange Offer has been completed or such time as such broker-dealers no longer own any Registrable Securities. With respect to such Exchange Registration Statement, such holders shall have the benefit of the rights of indemnification and contribution set forth in Sections 6(a), (c), (d) and (e) hereof.

(b) If, with respect to a series of Securities, (i) on or prior to the time the Exchange Offer is completed with respect to such series existing Commission interpretations are changed such that the debt securities received by holders other than Restricted Holders in the Exchange Offer for such Registrable Securities are not or would not be, upon receipt, transferable by each such holder without restriction under the Securities Act, (ii) such Exchange Offer has not been completed within 225 days following the Closing Date or (iii) such Exchange Offer is not available to any holder of such series of Securities, the Company shall, in lieu of (or, in the case of clause (iii), in addition to) conducting the Exchange Offer contemplated by Section 2(a), file under the Securities Act as soon as practicable, but no later than the later of 30 days after the time such obligation to file arises, a "shelf" registration statement providing for the registration of, and the sale on a continuous or delayed basis by the holders of, all of the Registrable Securities of such series,

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pursuant to Rule 415 or any similar rule that may be adopted by the Commission (such filing, the "Shelf Registration" and such registration statement, the "Shelf Registration Statement"). The Company agrees to use its reasonable best efforts (x) to cause the Shelf Registration Statement to become or be declared effective no later than 120 days after such Shelf Registration Statement is filed and to keep such Shelf Registration Statement continuously effective for a period ending on the earlier of the second anniversary of the Effective Time or such time as there are no longer any Registrable Securities outstanding, provided, however, that no holder shall be entitled to be named as a selling securityholder in the Shelf Registration Statement or to use the prospectus forming a part thereof for resales of Registrable Securities unless such holder is an Electing Holder, and (y) after the Effective Time of the Shelf Registration Statement, promptly upon the request of any holder of Registrable Securities that is not then an Electing Holder, to take any action reasonably necessary to enable such holder to use the prospectus forming a part thereof for resales of Registrable Securities, including, without limitation, any action necessary to identify such holder as a selling securityholder in the Shelf Registration Statement, provided, however, that nothing in this Clause (y) shall relieve any such holder of the obligation to return a completed and signed Notice and Questionnaire to the Company in accordance with Section 3(d)(iii) hereof. The Company further agrees to supplement or make amendments to the Shelf Registration Statement, as and when required by the rules, regulations or instructions applicable to the registration form used by the Company for such Shelf Registration Statement or by the Securities Act or rules and regulations thereunder for shelf registration, and the Company agrees to furnish to each Electing Holder copies of any such supplement or amendment prior to its being used or promptly following its filing with the Commission.

(c) In the event that with respect to a series of Securities (i) the Company has not filed the Exchange Registration Statement or Shelf Registration Statement on or before the date on which such registration statement is required to be filed pursuant to Section 2(a) or 2(b), respectively, or (ii) such Exchange Registration Statement or Shelf Registration Statement has not become effective or been declared effective

by the Commission on or before the date on which such registration statement is required to become or be declared effective pursuant to Section 2(a) or 2(b), respectively, or (iii) the Exchange Offer has not been completed within 45 days after the initial effective date of the Exchange Registration Statement relating to the Exchange Offer (if the Exchange Offer is then required to be made) or (iv) any Exchange Registration Statement or Shelf Registration Statement required by Section 2(a) or 2(b) hereof is filed and declared effective but shall thereafter either be withdrawn by the Company or shall become subject to an effective stop order issued pursuant to Section 8(d) of the Securities Act suspending the effectiveness of such registration statement (except as specifically permitted herein) without being succeeded immediately by an additional registration statement filed and declared effective (each such event referred to in clauses (i) through (iv), a "Registration Default" and each period during which a Registration Default has occurred and is continuing, a "Registration Default Period"), then, as liquidated damages for such Registration Default, subject to the provisions of Section 9(b), special interest ("Special Interest"), in addition to the Base Interest, shall accrue at a per annum rate of 0.25% for the remaining portion of the Registration Default Period on each series of Securities to which such Registration Default applies.

(d) The Company shall take all actions necessary or advisable to be taken by it to ensure that the transactions contemplated herein are effected as so contemplated.

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(e) Any reference herein to a registration statement as of any time shall be deemed to include any document incorporated, or deemed to be incorporated, therein by reference as of such time and any reference herein to any post-effective amendment to a registration statement as of any time shall be deemed to include any document incorporated, or deemed to be incorporated, therein by reference as of such time.

3. Registration Procedures.

If the Company files a registration statement pursuant to Section 2(a) or Section 2(b) with respect to a series of Securities, the following provisions shall apply with respect to such series individually and, if the Company files a registration statement pursuant to Section 2(a) or 2(b) with respect to all series of Securities, the following provisions shall apply to all Securities collectively:

- (a) At or before the Effective Time of the Exchange Offer or the Shelf Registration, as the case may be, the Company shall qualify the Indenture under the Trust Indenture ${\sf Act.}$
- (b) In the event that such qualification would require the appointment of a new trustee under the Indenture, the Company shall appoint a new trustee thereunder pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Indenture.
- (c) In connection with the Company's obligations with respect to the registration of Exchange Securities as contemplated by Section 2(a) (the "Exchange Registration"), if applicable, the Company shall, as soon as practicable (or as otherwise specified):
 - (i) prepare and file with the Commission, as soon as practicable but no later than 90 days after the Closing Date, an Exchange Registration Statement on any form which may be utilized by the Company and which shall permit the Exchange Offer and resales of Exchange Securities by broker-dealers during the Resale Period to be effected as contemplated by Section 2(a), and use its reasonable best efforts to cause such Exchange Registration Statement to become effective as soon as practicable thereafter, but no later than 180 days after the Closing Date;
 - (ii) as soon as practicable prepare and file with the Commission such amendments and supplements to such Exchange Registration Statement and the prospectus included therein as may be necessary to effect and maintain the effectiveness of such Exchange Registration Statement for the periods and purposes contemplated in Section 2(a) hereof and as may be required by the applicable rules and regulations

of the Commission and the instructions applicable to the form of such Exchange Registration Statement, and promptly provide each broker-dealer holding Exchange Securities with such number of copies of the prospectus included therein (as then amended or supplemented), in conformity in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, as such broker-dealer reasonably may request prior to the expiration of the Resale Period, for use in connection with resales of Exchange Securities;

(iii) promptly notify each broker-dealer that has requested or received copies of the prospectus included in such registration statement, and confirm such advice in writing, (A) when such Exchange Registration Statement or the prospectus included therein or any prospectus amendment or supplement or post-effective amendment has been filed, and, with respect to such Exchange Registration Statement or any

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post-effective amendment, when the same has become effective, (B) of any comments by the Commission and by the blue sky or securities commissioner or regulator of any state with respect thereto or any request by the Commission for amendments or supplements to such Exchange Registration Statement or prospectus or for additional information, (C) of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of such Exchange Registration Statement or the initiation or threatening of any proceedings for that purpose, (D) if at any time the representations and warranties of the Company contemplated by Section 5 cease to be true and correct in all material respects, (E) of the receipt by the Company of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Exchange Securities for sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose, or (F) at any time during the Resale Period when a prospectus is required to be delivered under the Securities Act, that such Exchange Registration Statement, prospectus, prospectus amendment or supplement or post-effective amendment does not conform in all material respects to the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder or contains an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing;

- (iv) in the event that the Company would be required, pursuant to Section 3(c)(iii)(F) above, to notify any broker-dealers holding Exchange Securities, as promptly as practicable prepare and furnish to each such holder a reasonable number of copies of a prospectus supplemented or amended so that, as thereafter delivered to purchasers of such Exchange Securities during the Resale Period, such prospectus shall conform in all material respects to the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder and shall not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing;
- (v) use its reasonable best efforts to obtain the withdrawal of any order suspending the effectiveness of such Exchange Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto at the earliest practicable date;
- (vi) use its reasonable best efforts to (A) register or qualify the Exchange Securities under the securities laws or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions as are contemplated by Section 2(a) no later than the commencement of the Exchange Offer, (B) keep such registrations or qualifications in effect and comply with such laws so as to permit the continuance of offers, sales and dealings therein in such jurisdictions until the expiration of the Resale Period and (C) take any and all other actions as may be reasonably necessary or advisable to enable each broker-dealer holding Exchange Securities to consummate the disposition thereof in such jurisdictions; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required for any such purpose to (1) qualify

as a foreign corporation in any jurisdiction wherein it would not otherwise be required to qualify but for the requirements of this Section 3(c)(vi), (2) consent to general service of process in any such jurisdiction or (3) make any changes to its certificate of incorporation or by-laws or any agreement between it and its stockholders;

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- (vii) use its reasonable best efforts to obtain the consent or approval of each governmental agency or authority, whether federal, state or local, which may be required to effect the Exchange Registration, the Exchange Offer and the offering and sale of Exchange Securities by broker-dealers during the Resale Period;
- (viii) provide a CUSIP number for all Exchange Securities, not later than the applicable Effective Time;
- (ix) comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Commission, and make generally available to its securityholders as soon as practicable but no later than eighteen months after the effective date of such Exchange Registration Statement, an earning statement of the Company and its subsidiaries complying with Section 11(a) of the Securities Act (including, at the option of the Company, Rule 158 thereunder).
- (d) In connection with the Company's obligations with respect to the Shelf Registration, if applicable, the Company shall, as soon as practicable (or as otherwise specified):
 - (i) prepare and file with the Commission, as soon as practicable but in any case within the time periods specified in Section 2(b), a Shelf Registration Statement on any form which may be utilized by the Company and which shall register all of the Registrable Securities for resale by the holders thereof in accordance with such method or methods of disposition as may be specified by such of the holders as, from time to time, may be Electing Holders and use its reasonable best efforts to cause such Shelf Registration Statement to become effective as soon as practicable but in any case within the time periods specified in Section 2(b);
 - (ii) not less than 30 calendar days prior to the Effective Time of the Shelf Registration Statement, mail the Notice and Questionnaire to the holders of Registrable Securities; no holder shall be entitled to be named as a selling securityholder in the Shelf Registration Statement as of the Effective Time, and no holder shall be entitled to use the prospectus forming a part thereof for resales of Registrable Securities at any time, unless such holder has returned a completed and signed Notice and Questionnaire to the Company by the deadline for response set forth therein; provided, however, holders of Registrable Securities shall have at least 28 calendar days from the date on which the Notice and Questionnaire is first mailed to such holders to return a completed and signed Notice and Questionnaire to the Company;
 - (iii) after the Effective Time of the Shelf Registration Statement, upon the request of any holder of Registrable Securities that is not then an Electing Holder, promptly send a Notice and Questionnaire to such holder; provided that the Company shall not be required to take any action to name such holder as a selling securityholder in the Shelf Registration Statement or to enable such holder to use the prospectus forming a part thereof for resales of Registrable Securities until such holder has returned a completed and signed Notice and Questionnaire to the Company;
 - (iv) as soon as practicable prepare and file with the Commission such amendments and supplements to such Shelf Registration Statement and the prospectus included therein as may be necessary to effect and maintain the effectiveness of such Shelf Registration Statement for the period specified in

Section 2(b) hereof and as may be required by the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission and the instructions applicable to the form of such Shelf Registration Statement, and furnish to the Electing Holders copies of any such supplement or amendment simultaneously with or prior to its being used or filed with the Commission;

- (v) comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the disposition of all of the Registrable Securities covered by such Shelf Registration Statement in accordance with the intended methods of disposition by the Electing Holders provided for in such Shelf Registration Statement;
- (vi) provide (A) the Electing Holders, (B) the underwriters (which term, for purposes of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, shall include a person deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of Section 2(a)(11) of the Securities Act), if any, thereof, (C) any sales or placement agent therefor, (D) counsel for any such underwriter or agent and (E) not more than one counsel for all the Electing Holders the opportunity to participate in the preparation of such Shelf Registration Statement, each prospectus included therein or filed with the Commission and each amendment or supplement thereto;
- (vii) for a reasonable period prior to the filing of such Shelf Registration Statement, and throughout the period specified in Section 2(b), make available at reasonable times at the Company's principal place of business or such other reasonable place for inspection by the persons referred to in Section 3(d)(vi) who shall certify to the Company that they have a current intention to sell the Registrable Securities pursuant to the Shelf Registration such financial and other information and books and records of the Company, and cause the officers, employees, counsel and independent certified public accountants of the Company to respond to such inquiries, as shall be reasonably necessary, in the judgment of the respective counsel referred to in such Section, to conduct a reasonable investigation within the meaning of Section 11 of the Securities Act; provided, however, that, prior to such inspection and inquiry, each such party shall be required to agree in writing to maintain in confidence and not to disclose to any other person any information or records reasonably designated by the Company as being confidential, until such time as (A) such information becomes a matter of public record (whether by virtue of its inclusion in such registration statement or otherwise), or (B) such person shall be required so to disclose such information pursuant to a subpoena or order of any court or other governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the matter (subject to the requirements of such order, and only after such person shall have given the Company prompt prior written notice of such requirement), or (C) in the judgment of the Company and the Electing Holders, such information is required to be set forth in such Shelf Registration Statement or the prospectus included therein or in an amendment to such Shelf Registration Statement or an amendment or supplement to such prospectus in order that such Shelf Registration Statement, prospectus, amendment or supplement, as the case may be, complies with applicable requirements of the federal securities laws and the rules and regulations of the Commission and does not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing;

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(viii) promptly notify each of the Electing Holders, any sales or placement agent therefor and any underwriter thereof (which notification may be made through any managing underwriter that is a representative of such underwriter for such purpose) and confirm such advice in writing, (A) when such Shelf Registration Statement or the prospectus included therein or any prospectus amendment or supplement or post-effective amendment has been filed, and, with respect to such Shelf Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment, when the same has become effective, (B) of any comments by the Commission and by the blue sky or securities commissioner or regulator of any state

with respect thereto or any request by the Commission for amendments or supplements to such Shelf Registration Statement or prospectus or for additional information, (C) of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of such Shelf Registration Statement or the initiation or threatening of any proceedings for that purpose, (D) if at any time the representations and warranties of the Company contemplated by Section 3(d)(xvii) or Section 5 cease to be true and correct in all material respects, (E) of the receipt by the Company of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose, or (F) if at any time when a prospectus is required to be delivered under the Securities Act, that such Shelf Registration Statement, prospectus, prospectus amendment or supplement or post-effective amendment does not conform in all material respects to the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder or contains an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing;

- (ix) use its reasonable best efforts to obtain the withdrawal of any order suspending the effectiveness of such registration statement or any post-effective amendment thereto at the earliest practicable date;
- if requested by any managing underwriter or underwriters, any placement or sales agent or any Electing Holder, promptly incorporate in a prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment such information as is required by the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission and as such managing underwriter or underwriters, such agent or such Electing Holder specifies should be included therein relating to the terms of the sale of such Registrable Securities, including information with respect to the principal amount of Registrable Securities being sold by such Electing Holder or agent or to any underwriters, the name and description of such Electing Holder, agent or underwriter, the offering price of such Registrable Securities and any discount, commission or other compensation payable in respect thereof, the purchase price being paid therefor by such underwriters and with respect to any other terms of the offering of the Registrable Securities to be sold by such Electing Holder or agent or to such underwriters; and make all required filings of such prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment promptly after notification of the matters to be incorporated in such prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment;
- (xi) furnish to each Electing Holder, each placement or sales agent, if any, therefor, each underwriter, if any, thereof and the respective counsel referred to in Section 3(d) (vi) an executed copy (or, in the case of an Electing Holder, a conformed

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copy) of such Shelf Registration Statement, each such amendment and supplement thereto (in each case including all exhibits thereto (in the case of an Electing Holder of Registrable Securities, upon request) and documents incorporated by reference therein) and such number of copies of such Shelf Registration Statement (excluding exhibits thereto and documents incorporated by reference therein unless specifically so requested by such Electing Holder, agent or underwriter, as the case may be) and of the prospectus included in such Shelf Registration Statement (including each preliminary prospectus and any summary prospectus), in conformity in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, and such other documents, as such Electing Holder, agent, if any, and underwriter, if any, may reasonably request in order to facilitate the offering and disposition of the Registrable Securities owned by such Electing Holder, offered or sold by such agent or underwritten by such underwriter and to permit such Electing Holder, agent and underwriter to satisfy the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act; and the Company hereby consents to the use of such prospectus (including such preliminary and summary prospectus) and any amendment or supplement thereto by each such Electing Holder and by any such agent and underwriter, in each case in the form most recently provided to such person by the Company, in connection with the offering and sale of the Registrable Securities covered by the prospectus (including such preliminary and summary prospectus) or any supplement or amendment thereto;

(xii) use reasonable best efforts to (A) register or qualify the Registrable Securities to be included in such Shelf Registration Statement under such securities laws or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions as any Electing Holder and each placement or sales agent, if any, therefor and underwriter, if any, thereof shall reasonably request, (B) keep such registrations or qualifications in effect and comply with such laws so as to permit the continuance of offers, sales and dealings therein in such jurisdictions during the period the Shelf Registration is required to remain effective under Section 2(b) above and for so long as may be necessary to enable any such Electing Holder, agent or underwriter to complete its distribution of Securities pursuant to such Shelf Registration Statement and (C) take any and all other actions as may be reasonably necessary or advisable to enable each such Electing Holder, agent, if any, and underwriter, if any, to consummate the disposition in such jurisdictions of such Registrable Securities; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required for any such purpose to (1) qualify as a foreign corporation in any jurisdiction wherein it would not otherwise be required to qualify but for the requirements of this Section 3(d)(xii), (2) consent to general service of process in any such jurisdiction or (3) make any changes to its certificate of incorporation or by-laws or any agreement between it and its stockholders;

(xiii) use its reasonable best efforts to obtain the consent or approval of each governmental agency or authority, whether federal, state or local, which may be required to effect the Shelf Registration or the offering or sale in connection therewith or to enable the selling holder or holders to offer, or to consummate the disposition of, their Registrable Securities;

(xiv) unless any Registrable Securities shall be in book-entry only form, cooperate with the Electing Holders and the managing underwriters, if any, to facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates representing Registrable

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Securities to be sold, which certificates, if so required by any securities exchange upon which any Registrable Securities are listed, shall be penned, lithographed or engraved, or produced by any combination of such methods, on steel engraved borders, and which certificates shall not bear any restrictive legends; and, in the case of an underwritten offering, enable such Registrable Securities to be in such denominations and registered in such names as the managing underwriters may request at least two business days prior to any sale of the Registrable Securities;

(xv) provide a CUSIP number for all Registrable Securities, not later than the applicable Effective Time;

(xvi) enter into one or more underwriting agreements, engagement letters, agency agreements, "best efforts" underwriting agreements or similar agreements, as appropriate, including customary provisions relating to indemnification and contribution, and take such other actions in connection therewith as any Electing Holders aggregating at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Registrable Securities at the time outstanding shall request in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities;

(xvii) whether or not an agreement of the type referred to in Section 3(d) (xvi) hereof is entered into and whether or not any portion of the offering contemplated by the Shelf Registration is an underwritten offering or is made through a placement or sales agent or any other entity, (A) make such representations and warranties to the

Electing Holders and the placement or sales agent, if any, therefor and the underwriters, if any, thereof in form, substance and scope as are customarily made in connection with an offering of debt securities pursuant to any appropriate agreement or to a registration statement filed on the form applicable to the Shelf Registration; (B) obtain (i) an opinion of counsel to the Company in customary form and covering such matters, of the type customarily covered by such an opinion, as the managing underwriters, if any, or as any Electing Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Registrable Securities at the time outstanding may reasonably request, addressed to such Electing Holder or Electing Holders and the placement or sales agent, if any, therefor and the underwriters, if any, thereof and dated the effective date of such Shelf Registration Statement (and if such Shelf Registration Statement contemplates an underwritten offering of a part or all of the Registrable Securities, dated the date of the closing under the underwriting agreement relating thereto) (it being agreed that the matters to be covered by such opinion shall include the valid existence as a corporation and good standing of the Company; the qualification of the Company to transact business as foreign corporations in specified jurisdictions; the due authorization, execution and delivery of the relevant agreement of the type referred to in Section 3(d)(xvi) hereof; the due authorization, execution, authentication and issuance, and the validity and enforceability, of the Securities; the absence of material legal or governmental proceedings involving the Company; the absence of a breach by the Company or any of its subsidiaries of, or a default under, specified material agreements binding upon the Company or any subsidiary of the Company; the absence of governmental approvals required to be obtained in connection with the Shelf Registration, the offering and sale of the Registrable Securities, this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement or any agreement of the type referred to in Section 3(d)(xvi) hereof, except such approvals as may be required under State securities or blue sky laws; the material compliance as to form of such Shelf Registration Statement and

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any documents incorporated by reference therein and of the Indenture with the requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, respectively; and (ii) as of the date of the opinion and of the Shelf Registration Statement or most recent post-effective amendment thereto, as the case may be, a statement of counsel to the Company to the effect that no facts have come to such counsel's attention that lead it to believe that the Shelf Registration Statement or most recent post-effective amendment thereto, as the case may be, or the prospectus included therein, as then amended or supplemented, or the documents filed with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and incorporated therein (other than the financial statements and notes thereto and the other financial data included in or omitted therefrom) contained as of its date an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (such counsel basing its determination of materiality as to matters of fact to a certain extent upon discussions with officers and other representatives of the Company); (C) obtain a "cold comfort" letter or letters from the independent certified public accountants of the Company addressed to the selling Electing Holders, the placement or sales agent, if any, therefor or the underwriters, if any, thereof, dated (i) the effective date of such Shelf Registration Statement and (ii) the effective date of any prospectus supplement to the prospectus included in such Shelf Registration Statement or post-effective amendment to such Shelf Registration Statement which includes unaudited or audited financial statements as of a date or for a period subsequent to that of the latest such statements included in such prospectus (and, if such Shelf Registration Statement contemplates an underwritten offering pursuant to any prospectus supplement to the prospectus included in such Shelf Registration Statement or post-effective amendment to such Shelf Registration Statement which includes unaudited or audited financial statements as of a date or for a period subsequent to that of the latest such statements included in such prospectus, dated the date of the closing under the underwriting

agreement relating thereto), such letter or letters to be in customary form and covering such matters of the type customarily covered by letters of such type; (D) deliver such documents and certificates, including officers' certificates, as may be reasonably requested by any Electing Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Registrable Securities at the time outstanding or the placement or sales agent, if any, therefor and the managing underwriters, if any, thereof to evidence the accuracy of the representations and warranties made pursuant to clause (A) above or those contained in Section 5(a) hereof and the compliance with or satisfaction of any agreements or conditions contained in the underwriting agreement or other agreement entered into by the Company; and (E) undertake such obligations relating to expense reimbursement, indemnification and contribution as are provided in Section 6 hereof;

(xviii) notify in writing each holder of Registrable Securities of any proposal by the Company to amend or waive any provision of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement pursuant to Section 9(h) hereof and of any amendment or waiver effected pursuant thereto, each of which notices shall contain the text of the amendment or waiver proposed or effected, as the case may be;

 (\mbox{xix}) in the event that any broker-dealer registered under the Exchange Act shall underwrite any Registrable Securities or participate as a member of an underwriting

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syndicate or selling group or "assist in the distribution" (within the meaning of the Conduct Rules (the "Conduct Rules) of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") or any successor thereto, as amended from time to time) thereof, whether as a holder of such Registrable Securities or as an underwriter, a placement or sales agent or a broker or dealer in respect thereof, or otherwise, assist such broker-dealer in complying with the requirements of such Conduct Rules, including by (A) if such Conduct Rules shall so require, engaging a "qualified independent underwriter" (as defined in such Conduct Rules) to participate in the preparation of the Shelf Registration Statement relating to such Registrable Securities, to exercise usual standards of due diligence in respect thereto and, if any portion of the offering contemplated by such Shelf Registration Statement is an underwritten offering or is made through a placement or sales agent, to recommend the yield of such Registrable Securities, (B) indemnifying any such qualified independent underwriter to the extent of the indemnification of underwriters provided in Section 6 hereof (or to such other customary extent as may be requested by such underwriter), and (C) providing such information to such broker-dealer as may be required in order for such broker-dealer to comply with the requirements of the Conduct Rules; and

(xx) comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Commission, and make generally available to its securityholders as soon as practicable but in any event not later than eighteen months after the effective date of such Shelf Registration Statement, an earning statement of the Company and its subsidiaries complying with Section 11(a) of the Securities Act (including, at the option of the Company, Rule 158 thereunder).

(e) In the event that the Company would be required, pursuant to Section 3(d) (viii) (F) above, to notify the Electing Holders, the placement or sales agent, if any, therefor and the managing underwriters, if any, thereof, the Company shall as promptly as practicable prepare and furnish to each of the Electing Holders, to each placement or sales agent, if any, and to each such underwriter, if any, a reasonable number of copies of a prospectus supplemented or amended so that, as thereafter delivered to purchasers of Registrable Securities, such prospectus shall conform in all material respects to the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder and shall not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing. Each Electing Holder agrees that upon receipt of any notice from the Company pursuant to Section 3(d) (viii) (F) hereof, such Electing Holder

shall forthwith discontinue the disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement applicable to such Registrable Securities until such Electing Holder shall have received copies of such amended or supplemented prospectus, and if so directed by the Company, such Electing Holder shall deliver to the Company (at the Company's expense) all copies, other than permanent file copies, then in such Electing Holder's possession of the prospectus covering such Registrable Securities at the time of receipt of such notice.

(f) In the event of a Shelf Registration, in addition to the information required to be provided by each Electing Holder in its Notice Questionnaire, the Company may require such Electing Holder to furnish to the Company such additional information regarding such Electing Holder and such Electing Holder's intended method of distribution of Registrable Securities as may be required in order to comply with the Securities Act. Each such Electing

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Holder agrees to notify the Company as promptly as practicable of any inaccuracy or change in information previously furnished by such Electing Holder to the Company or of the occurrence of any event in either case as a result of which any prospectus relating to such Shelf Registration contains or would contain an untrue statement of a material fact regarding such Electing Holder or such Electing Holder's intended method of disposition of such Registrable Securities or omits to state any material fact regarding such Electing Holder or such Electing Holder's intended method of disposition of such Registrable Securities required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing, and promptly to furnish to the Company any additional information required to correct and update any previously furnished information or required so that such prospectus shall not contain, with respect to such Electing Holder or the disposition of such Registrable Securities, an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing.

(g) Until the expiration of two years after the Closing Date, the Company will not, and will not permit any of its "affiliates" (as defined in Rule 144) to, resell any of the Securities that have been reacquired by any of them except pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act.

4. Registration Expenses.

The Company agrees to bear and to pay or cause to be paid promptly all expenses incident to the Company's performance of or compliance with this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, including (a) all Commission and any NASD registration, filing and review fees and expenses including fees and disbursements of counsel for the placement or sales agent or underwriters in connection with such registration, filing and review, (b) all fees and expenses in connection with the qualification of the Securities for offering and sale under the State securities and blue sky laws referred to in Section 3(d)(xii) hereof and determination of their eligibility for investment under the laws of such jurisdictions as any managing underwriters or the Electing Holders may designate, including any fees and disbursements of counsel for the Electing Holders or underwriters in connection with such qualification and determination, (c) all expenses relating to the preparation, printing, production, distribution and reproduction of each registration statement required to be filed hereunder, each prospectus included therein or prepared for distribution pursuant hereto, each amendment or supplement to the foregoing, the expenses of preparing the Securities for delivery and the expenses of printing or producing any underwriting agreements, agreements among underwriters, selling agreements and blue sky or legal investment memoranda and all other documents in connection with the offering, sale or delivery of Securities to be disposed of (including certificates representing the Securities), (d) messenger, telephone and delivery expenses relating to the offering, sale or delivery of Securities and the preparation of documents referred in clause (c) above, (e) fees and expenses of the Trustee under the Indenture, any agent of the Trustee and any counsel for the Trustee and of any collateral agent or custodian, (f) internal expenses (including all salaries and expenses of the Company's officers and employees performing legal or accounting duties), (g) fees, disbursements and expenses of

counsel and independent certified public accountants of the Company (including the expenses of any opinions or "cold comfort" letters required by or incident to such performance and compliance), (h) fees, disbursements and expenses of any "qualified independent underwriter" engaged pursuant to Section 3(d)(xix) hereof, (i) fees, disbursements and expenses of one counsel for the Electing Holders retained in connection with a Shelf Registration filed with respect to a series of Registrable Securities, as selected by the Electing Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of such series of

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Registrable Securities held by Electing Holders, and, in connection with a Shelf Registration filed with respect to all series of Registrable Securities, as selected by the Electing Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of all series of Registrable Securities held by Electing Holders (which counsel shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Company), (j) any fees charged by securities rating services for rating the Securities, and (k) fees, expenses and disbursements of any other persons, including special experts, retained by the Company in connection with such registration (collectively, the "Registration Expenses"). To the extent that any Registration Expenses are incurred, assumed or paid by any holder of Registrable Securities or any placement or sales agent therefor or underwriter thereof, the Company shall reimburse such person for the full amount of the Registration Expenses so reasonably incurred, assumed or paid promptly after receipt of a request therefor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the holders of the Registrable Securities being registered shall pay all agency fees and commissions and underwriting discounts and commissions attributable to the sale of such Registrable Securities and the fees and disbursements of any counsel or other advisors or experts retained by such holders (severally or jointly), other than the counsel and experts specifically referred to above.

5. Representations and Warranties.

The Company represents and warrants to, and agrees with, each Purchaser and each of the holders from time to time of Registrable Securities that:

- (a) Each registration statement covering Registrable Securities and each prospectus (including any preliminary or summary prospectus) contained therein or furnished pursuant to Section 3(d) or Section 3(c) hereof and any further amendments or supplements to any such registration statement or prospectus, when it becomes effective or is filed with the Commission, as the case may be, and, in the case of an underwritten offering of Registrable Securities, at the time of the closing under the underwriting agreement relating thereto, will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; and at all times subsequent to the Effective Time when a prospectus would be required to be delivered under the Securities Act, other than from (i) such time as a notice has been given to holders of Registrable Securities pursuant to Section 3(d)(viii)(F) or Section 3(c)(iii)(F) hereof until (ii) such time as the Company furnishes an amended or supplemented prospectus pursuant to Section 3(e) or Section 3(c)(iv) hereof, each such registration statement, and each prospectus (including any summary prospectus) contained therein or furnished pursuant to Section 3(d) or Section 3(c) hereof, as then amended or supplemented, will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in the light of the circumstances then existing; provided, however, that this representation and warranty shall not apply to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by a holder of Registrable Securities expressly for
- (b) Any documents incorporated by reference in any prospectus referred to in Section 5(a) hereof, when they become or became effective or are or were filed with the Commission, as the case may be, will conform or conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and none of such

documents will contain or contained an untrue statement of a material fact or will omit or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; provided, however, that this representation and warranty shall not apply to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by a holder of Registrable Securities expressly for use therein.

- (c) The compliance by the Company with all of the provisions of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and the consummation of the transactions herein contemplated will not conflict with or result in a breach of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any subsidiary of the Company is a party or by which the Company or any subsidiary of the Company is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company is subject, except for any such conflicts, breaches, violations or defaults that would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the current or future financial position, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, nor will such action result in any violation of the provisions of the certificate of incorporation, as amended, or the by-laws of the Company or any statute or any order, rule or regulation of any court or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the Company or any subsidiary of the Company or any of their properties; and no consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any such court or governmental agency or body is required for the consummation by the Company of the transactions contemplated by this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, except the registration under the Securities Act of the Securities, qualification of the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act and such consents, approvals, authorizations, registrations or qualifications as may be required under State securities or blue sky laws in connection with the offering and distribution of the Securities.
- (d) This Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company.

6. Indemnification.

(a) Indemnification by the Company. The Company will indemnify and hold harmless each of the holders of Registrable Securities included in an Exchange Registration Statement, each of the Electing Holders of Registrable Securities included in a Shelf Registration Statement and each person who participates as a placement or sales agent or as an underwriter in any offering or sale of such Registrable Securities against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which such holder, agent or underwriter may become subject under the Securities Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any Exchange Registration Statement or Shelf Registration Statement, as the case may be, under which such Registrable Securities were registered under the Securities Act, or any preliminary, final or summary prospectus contained therein or furnished by the Company to any such holder, Electing Holder, agent or underwriter, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and will reimburse such holder, such Electing Holder, such agent and such underwriter for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with

investigating or defending any such action or claim as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the Company shall not be liable to any such person in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or

alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in such registration statement, or preliminary, final or summary prospectus, or amendment or supplement thereto, in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by such person expressly for use therein.

- (b) Indemnification by the Holders and any Agents and Underwriters. The Company may require, as a condition to including any Registrable Securities in any registration statement filed pursuant to Section 2(b) hereof and to entering into any underwriting agreement with respect thereto, that the Company shall have received an undertaking reasonably satisfactory to it from the Electing Holder of such Registrable Securities and from each underwriter named in any such underwriting agreement, severally and not jointly, to (i) indemnify and hold harmless the Company and all other holders of Registrable Securities against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities to which the Company or such other holders of Registrable Securities may become subject, under the Securities Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in such registration statement, or any preliminary, final or summary prospectus contained therein or furnished by the Company to any such Electing Holder, agent or underwriter, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, in each case to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by such Electing Holder or underwriter expressly for use therein, and (ii) reimburse the Company for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by the Company in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that no such Electing Holder shall be required to undertake liability to any person under this Section 6(b) for any amounts in excess of the dollar amount of the proceeds to be received by such Electing Holder from the sale of such Electing Holder's Registrable Securities pursuant to such registration.
- (c) Notices of Claims, Etc. Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under subsection (a) or (b) above of written notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party shall, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against an indemnifying party pursuant to the indemnification provisions of or contemplated by this Section 6, notify such indemnifying party in writing of the commencement of such action; but the omission so to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability which it may have to any indemnified party otherwise than under the indemnification provisions of or contemplated by Section 6(a) or 6(b) hereof. In case any such action shall be brought against any indemnified party and it shall notify an indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, such indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate therein and, to the extent that it shall wish, jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to assume the defense thereof, with counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnified party (who shall not, except with the consent of the indemnified party, be counsel to the indemnifying party), and, after notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of its election so to assume the defense thereof, such indemnifying party shall not be liable to such indemnified party for any legal expenses of other counsel or any other expenses, in each case subsequently incurred by such indemnified party, in connection with the defense thereof

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other than reasonable costs of investigation. No indemnifying party shall, without the written consent of the indemnified party, effect the settlement or compromise of, or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, any pending or threatened action or claim in respect of which indemnification or contribution may be sought hereunder (whether or not the indemnified party is an actual or potential party to such action or claim) unless such settlement, compromise or judgment (i) includes an unconditional release of the indemnified party from all liability arising out of such action or claim and (ii) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of

any indemnified party.

- (d) Contribution. If for any reason the indemnification provisions contemplated by Section 6(a) or Section 6(b) are unavailable to or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to therein, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the indemnifying party and the indemnified party in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof), as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative fault of such indemnifying party and indemnified party shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by such indemnifying party or by such indemnified party, and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission. The parties hereto agree that it would not be just and equitable if contributions pursuant to this Section 6(d) were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the holders or any agents or underwriters or all of them were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in this Section 6(d). The amount paid or payable by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages, or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to above shall be deemed to include any legal or other fees or expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 6(d), no holder shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the dollar amount of the proceeds received by such holder from the sale of any Registrable Securities (after deducting any fees, discounts and commissions applicable thereto) exceeds the amount of any damages which such holder has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission, and no underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Registrable Securities underwritten by it and distributed to the public were offered to the public exceeds the amount of any damages which such underwriter has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not quilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The holders' and any underwriters' obligations in this Section 6(d) to contribute shall be several in proportion to the principal amount of Registrable Securities registered or underwritten, as the case may be, by them and not joint.
- (e) The obligations of the Company under this Section 6 shall be in addition to any liability which the Company may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and

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conditions, to each officer, director and partner of each holder, agent and underwriter and each person, if any, who controls any holder, agent or underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act; and the obligations of the holders and any agents or underwriters contemplated by this Section 6 shall be in addition to any liability which the respective holder, agent or underwriter may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each officer and director of the Company and to each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of the Securities Act.

7. Underwritten Offerings.

For an underwritten offering with respect to a series of Securities, the following provisions shall apply with respect to such series individually, and, for an underwritten offering with respect to all series of Securities, the following provisions shall apply to all Securities collectively:

(a) Selection of Underwriters. If any of the Registrable Securities

covered by the Shelf Registration are to be sold pursuant to an underwritten offering, the managing underwriter or underwriters thereof shall be designated by Electing Holders holding at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Registrable Securities to be included in such offering, provided that such designated managing underwriter or underwriters is or are reasonably acceptable to the Company.

(b) Participation by Holders. Each holder of Registrable Securities hereby agrees with each other such holder that no such holder may participate in any underwritten offering hereunder unless such holder (i) agrees to sell such holder's Registrable Securities on the basis provided in any underwriting arrangements approved by the persons entitled hereunder to approve such arrangements and (ii) completes and executes all questionnaires, powers of attorney, indemnities, underwriting agreements and other documents reasonably required under the terms of such underwriting arrangements.

8. Rule 144.

The Company covenants to the holders of Registrable Securities that to the extent it shall be required to do so under the Exchange Act, the Company shall timely file the reports required to be filed by it under the Exchange Act or the Securities Act (including the reports under Section 13 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act referred to in subparagraph (c)(1) of Rule 144 adopted by the Commission under the Securities Act) and the rules and regulations adopted by the Commission thereunder, and shall take such further action as any holder of Registrable Securities may reasonably request, all to the extent required from time to time to enable such holder to sell Registrable Securities without registration under the Securities Act within the limitations of the exemption provided by Rule 144 under the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended from time to time, or any similar or successor rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission. Upon the request of any holder of Registrable Securities in connection with that holder's sale pursuant to Rule 144, the Company shall deliver to such holder a written statement as to whether it has complied with such requirements.

9. Miscellaneous.

(a) No Inconsistent Agreements. The Company represents, warrants, covenants and agrees that it shall not grant registration rights with respect to Registrable Securities or any other securities which would be inconsistent with the terms contained in this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement. The Company further represents that it has obtained

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necessary waivers or agreements with respect to all existing registration rights in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Purchasers.

- (b) Specific Performance. The parties hereto acknowledge that there would be no adequate remedy at law if the Company fails to perform any of its obligations hereunder and that the Purchasers and the holders from time to time of the Registrable Securities may be irreparably harmed by any such failure, and accordingly agree that the Purchasers and such holders, in addition to any other remedy to which they may be entitled at law or in equity, shall be entitled to compel specific performance of the obligations of the Company under this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, in any court of the United States or any State thereof having jurisdiction.
- (c) Notices. All notices, requests, claims, demands, waivers and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given when delivered by hand, if delivered personally or by courier, or three days after being deposited in the mail (registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested) as follows: If to the Company, to it at 160 So. Industrial Blvd., Calhoun, Georgia 30703-7002, Attention: Frank Boykin, and if to a holder, to the address of such holder set forth in the security register or other records of the Company, or to such other address as the Company or any such holder may have furnished to the other in writing in accordance herewith, except that notices of change of address shall be effective only upon receipt.
 - (d) Parties in Interest. All the terms and provisions of this Exchange and

Registration Rights Agreement shall be binding upon, shall inure to the benefit of and shall be enforceable by the parties hereto and the holders from time to time of the Registrable Securities and the respective successors and assigns of the parties hereto and such holders. In the event that any transferee of any holder of Registrable Securities shall acquire Registrable Securities, in any manner, whether by gift, bequest, purchase, operation of law or otherwise, such transferee shall, without any further writing or action of any kind, be deemed a beneficiary hereof for all purposes and such Registrable Securities shall be held subject to all of the terms of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, and by taking and holding such Registrable Securities such transferee shall be entitled to receive the benefits of, and be conclusively deemed to have agreed to be bound by all of the applicable terms and provisions of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement. If the Company shall so request, any such successor, assign or transferee shall agree in writing to acquire and hold the Registrable Securities subject to all of the applicable terms hereof.

- (e) Survival. The respective indemnities, agreements, representations, warranties and each other provision set forth in this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement or made pursuant hereto shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation (or statement as to the results thereof) made by or on behalf of any holder of Registrable Securities, any director, officer or partner of such holder, any agent or underwriter or any director, officer or partner thereof, or any controlling person of any of the foregoing, and shall survive delivery of and payment for the Registrable Securities pursuant to the Purchase Agreement and the transfer and registration of Registrable Securities by such holder and the consummation of an Exchange Offer.
- (f) Governing Law. This Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

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- (g) Headings. The descriptive headings of the several Sections and paragraphs of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement are inserted for convenience only, do not constitute a part of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.
- (h) Entire Agreement; Amendments. This Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and the other writings referred to herein (including the Indenture and the form of Securities) or delivered pursuant hereto which form a part hereof contain the entire understanding of the parties with respect to its subject matter. This Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the parties with respect to its subject matter. This Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement may be amended, and the observance of any term of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement may be waived (either generally or in a particular instance and either retroactively or prospectively), only by a written instrument duly executed by the Company and the holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of all series of the Registrable Securities at the time outstanding; provided, however, that any such amendment or waiver, the terms of which would not apply equally to each series of Registrable Securities outstanding and adversely affect any such series, shall be amended or waived only by written instrument duly executed by the Company and at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of each such series so affected. Each holder of any Registrable Securities at the time or thereafter outstanding shall be bound by any amendment or waiver effected pursuant to this Section 9(h), whether or not any notice, writing or marking indicating such amendment or waiver appears on such Registrable Securities or is delivered to such holder.
- (i) Inspection. For so long as this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement shall be in effect, this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and a complete list of the names and addresses of all the holders of Registrable Securities shall be made available for inspection and copying on any business day by any holder of Registrable Securities for proper purposes only (which shall include any purpose related to the rights of the holders of Registrable Securities under the Securities, the Indenture and this Agreement) at the offices of the Company at the address thereof set forth in Section 9(c) above

and at the office of the Trustee under the Indenture.

(j) Counterparts. This agreement may be executed by the parties in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such respective counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

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If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding, please sign and return to us six counterparts hereof, and upon the acceptance hereof by you, on behalf of each of the Purchasers, this letter and such acceptance hereof shall constitute a binding agreement between each of the Purchasers the Company. It is understood that your acceptance of this letter on behalf of each of the Purchasers is pursuant to the authority set forth in a form of Agreement among Purchasers, the form of which shall be submitted to the Company for examination upon request, but without warranty on your part as to the authority of the signers thereof.

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Very truly yours,

Mohawk Industries, Inc.

By: /s/ John D. Swift

Name: John D. Swift Title: Vice President -- Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Accepted as of the date hereof:

Goldman, Sachs & Co. First Union Securities, Inc. SunTrust Capital Markets, Inc.

By: /s/ Goldman, Sachs & Co.

(Goldman, Sachs & Co.)

On behalf of each of the Purchasers

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Exhibit A

Mohawk Industries, Inc.

INSTRUCTION TO DTC PARTICIPANTS

(Date of Mailing)

URGENT - IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUESTED

DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE: [DATE]/*/

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") has identified you as a DTC Participant through which beneficial interests in the Mohawk Industries, Inc. (the "Company") [6.50% Notes due 2007] [7.20% Notes due 2012] (the "Securities") are held.

The Company is in the process of registering the Securities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, for resale by the beneficial owners thereof. In order to have their Securities included in the registration statement, beneficial owners must complete and return the enclosed Notice of Registration Statement and Selling Securityholder Questionnaire.

It is important that beneficial owners of the Securities receive a copy of the enclosed materials as soon as possible as their rights to have the Securities

included in the registration statement depend upon their returning the Notice and Questionnaire by [Deadline For Response]. Please forward a copy of the enclosed documents to each beneficial owner that holds interests in the Securities through you. If you require more copies of the enclosed materials or have any questions pertaining to this matter, please contact Mohawk Industries, Inc., Attention: Frank Boykin, 160 So. Industrial Blvd., Calhoun, Georgia 30703-7002 (Telephone number: (706) 629-7721).

*Not less than 28 calendar days from date of mailing.

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Mohawk Industries, Inc.

Notice of Registration Statement and Selling Securityholder Questionnaire

(Date)

Reference is hereby made to the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement (the "Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement") between Mohawk Industries, Inc. (the "Company") and the Purchasers named therein. Pursuant to the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, the Company has filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a registration statement on Form [] (the "Shelf Registration Statement") for the registration and resale under Rule 415 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), of the Company's [6.50% Notes due 2007] [7.20% Notes due 2012] (the "Securities"). A copy of the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement is attached hereto. All capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.

Each beneficial owner of Registrable Securities (as defined below) is entitled to have the Registrable Securities beneficially owned by it included in the Shelf Registration Statement. In order to have Registrable Securities included in the Shelf Registration Statement, this Notice of Registration Statement and Selling Securityholder Questionnaire ("Notice and Questionnaire") must be completed, executed and delivered to the Company's counsel at the address set forth herein for receipt ON OR BEFORE [Deadline for Response]. Beneficial owners of Registrable Securities who do not complete, execute and return this Notice and Questionnaire by such date (i) will not be named as selling securityholders in the Shelf Registration Statement and (ii) may not use the Prospectus forming a part thereof for resales of Registrable Securities.

Certain legal consequences arise from being named as a selling securityholder in the Shelf Registration Statement and related Prospectus. Accordingly, holders and beneficial owners of Registrable Securities are advised to consult their own securities law counsel regarding the consequences of being named or not being named as a selling securityholder in the Shelf Registration Statement and related Prospectus.

Rights Agreement.

ELECTION

The undersigned holder (the "Selling Securityholder") of Registrable Securities hereby elects to include in the Shelf Registration Statement the Registrable Securities beneficially owned by it and listed below in Item (3). The undersigned, by signing and returning this Notice and Questionnaire, agrees to be bound with respect to such Registrable Securities by the terms and conditions of this Notice and Questionnaire and the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, including, without limitation, Section 6 of the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, as if the undersigned Selling Securityholder were an original party thereto.

Upon any sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement, the Selling Securityholder will be required to deliver to the Company and Trustee the Notice of Transfer set forth in Appendix A to the Prospectus and as Exhibit B to the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.

The Selling Securityholder hereby provides the following information to the Company and represents and warrants that such information is accurate and complete:

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	QUESTIONNAIRE
(1)(a)	Full Legal Name of Selling Securityholder:
(b)	Full Legal Name of Registered Holder (if not the same as in (a) above) of Registrable Securities Listed in Item (3) below:
(c)	Full Legal Name of DTC Participant (if applicable and if not the same as (b) above) Through Which Registrable Securities Listed in Item (3) below are Held:
(2)	Address for Notices to Selling Securityholder:
	Telephone:
	Fax:
	Contact Person:
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(3)	Beneficial Ownership of Securities:
	Except as set forth below in this Item (3), the undersigned does not beneficially own any Securities.
(a)	Principal amount of Registrable Securities beneficially owned:
	CUSIP No(s). of such Registrable Securities:
(h)	Principal amount of Securities other than Registrable Securities

(b) Principal amount of Securities other than Registrable Securities beneficially owned: CUSIP No(s). of such other Securities:

(c) Principal amount of Registrable Securities which the undersigned wishes to be included in the Shelf Registration Statement:

CUSIP No(s). of such Registrable Securities to be included in the Shelf Registration Statement:

(4) Beneficial Ownership of Other Securities of the Company:

Except as set forth below in this Item (4), the undersigned Selling Securityholder is not the beneficial or registered owner of any other securities of the Company, other than the Securities listed above in Item (3).

State any exceptions here:

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(5) Relationships with the Company:

Except as set forth below, neither the Selling Securityholder nor any of its affiliates, officers, directors or principal equity holders (5% or more) has held any position or office or has had any other material relationship with the Company (or its predecessors or affiliates) during the past three years.

State any exceptions here:

(6) Plan of Distribution:

Except as set forth below, the undersigned Selling Securityholder intends to distribute the Registrable Securities listed above in Item (3) only as follows (if at all): Such Registrable Securities may be sold from time to time directly by the undersigned Selling Securityholder or, alternatively, through underwriters, broker-dealers or agents. Such Registrable Securities may be sold in one or more transactions at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of sale, at varying prices determined at the time of sale, or at negotiated prices. Such sales may be effected in transactions (which may involve crosses or block transactions) (i) on any national securities exchange or quotation service on which the Registered Securities may be listed or quoted at the time of sale, (ii) in the over-the-counter market, (iii) in transactions otherwise than on such exchanges or services or in the over-the-counter market, or (iv) through the writing of options. In connection with sales of the Registrable Securities or otherwise, the Selling Securityholder may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers, which may in turn engage in short sales of the Registrable Securities in the course of hedging the positions they assume. The Selling Securityholder may also sell Registrable Securities short and deliver Registrable Securities to close out such short positions, or loan or pledge Registrable Securities to broker-dealers that in turn may sell such securities.

State any exceptions here:

By signing below, the Selling Securityholder acknowledges that it understands its obligation to comply, and agrees that it will comply, with the provisions of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder, particularly

Regulation M.

In the event that the Selling Securityholder transfers all or any portion of the Registrable Securities listed in Item (3) above after the date on which such information is provided to the Company, the Selling Securityholder agrees to notify the transferee(s) at the time of the transfer of its rights and obligations under this Notice and Questionnaire and the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.

By signing below, the Selling Securityholder consents to the disclosure of the information contained herein in its answers to Items (1) through (6) above and the inclusion of such information in the Shelf Registration Statement and related Prospectus. The Selling Securityholder understands that such information will be relied upon by the Company in connection with the preparation of the Shelf Registration Statement and related Prospectus.

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In accordance with the Selling Securityholder's obligation under Section 3(d) of the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement to provide such information as may be required by law for inclusion in the Shelf Registration Statement, the Selling Securityholder agrees to promptly notify the Company of any inaccuracies or changes in the information provided herein which may occur subsequent to the date hereof at any time while the Shelf Registration Statement remains in effect. All notices hereunder and pursuant to the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement shall be made in writing, by hand-delivery, first-class mail, or air courier guaranteeing overnight delivery as follows:

(ii) To the Company:

Once this Notice and Questionnaire is executed by the Selling Securityholder and received by the Company's counsel, the terms of this Notice and Questionnaire, and the representations and warranties contained herein, shall be binding on, shall inure to the benefit of and shall be enforceable by the respective successors, heirs, personal representatives, and assigns of the Company and the Selling Securityholder (with respect to the Registrable Securities beneficially owned by such Selling Securityholder and listed in Item (3) above. This Agreement shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the State of New York.

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Notice and Questic duly authorized ac		d delivered either in person or by its
Dated:		
	Selling Securityholder (Print/type full legal n Securities)	ame of beneficial owner of Registrable
	Ву:	
	Name: Title:	
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		Exhibit B
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		TO REGISTRATION STATEMENT
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Attention: Trust		
	awk Industries, Inc. (the 50% Notes due 2007] [7.20	
Dear Sirs:		
Please be advised	that	has transferred \$
	al amount of the above-re	ferenced Notes pursuant to an] (File No. 333-) filed

by the Company.

We hereby certify that the prospectus delivery requirements, if any, of the
Securities Act of 1933, as amended, have been satisfied and that the above-name
beneficial owner of the Notes is named as a "Selling Holder" in the Prospectus
dated or in supplements thereto, and that the aggregate principal
amount of the Notes transferred are the Notes listed in such Prospectus opposit
such owner's name.

Dated:

Very	truly yours,
	(Name)
By:	
	(Authorized Signature)

April 22, 2002

Mohawk Industries, Inc. 160 S. Industrial Boulevard Calhoun, Georgia 30703-7002

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-4

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Mohawk Industries, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the filing of the above-referenced Registration Statement (the "Registration Statement") with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") to register under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), \$300,000,000 principal amount of the Company's 6.50% Notes due 2007, Series C and \$400,000,000 principal amount of the Company's 7.20% Notes due 2012, Series D (the "New Notes") to be issued under an Indenture dated as of April 2, 2002 (the "Indenture") between the Company and Wachovia Bank, National Association, as Trustee (the "Trustee"). Following the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, the Company intends to issue the New Notes to the several holders of \$300,000,000 principal amount of the Company's 6.50% Notes due 2007, Series A and \$400,000,000 principal amount of the Company's 7.20% Notes due 2012, Series B (collectively, the "Old Notes") in exchange for such Old Notes. This opinion letter is rendered pursuant to Item 21 of Form S-4 and Item 601 of the Commission's Regulation S-K.

We have examined the Old Notes, the proposed form of New Notes, the Indenture, and the Registration Statement. We also have made such further legal and factual examinations and investigations as we deemed necessary for purposes of expressing the opinion set forth herein.

As to certain factual matters relevant to this opinion letter, we have relied conclusively upon originals or copies, certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of such records, agreements, documents and instruments, including certificates or comparable documents of officers of the Company and certificates of public officials, as we have deemed appropriate as a basis for the opinion hereinafter set forth. Except to the extent expressly set forth herein, we have made no independent investigations with regard to matters of fact, and, accordingly, we do not express any opinion as to matters of fact that might have been disclosed by independent verification.

In rendering our opinion set forth below, we have assumed, without any independent verification, (i) the genuineness of all signatures, (ii) the legal capacity of all natural persons, (iii) the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, (iv) the conformity to the original documents of all documents submitted to us as conformed, facsimile, photostatic or electronic copies, (v) that the form of the New Notes will conform to that included in the Indenture, (vi) the due authorization, execution and delivery of the Indenture by each of the

parties thereto under the laws of their respective jurisdictions of incorporation or organization, (vii) that all parties to the documents examined by us have full power and authority under the laws of their respective jurisdictions of incorporation or organization to execute, deliver and perform their obligations under such documents and under the other documents required or permitted to be delivered and performed thereunder, and (viii) that the Indenture has been duly qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939.

Based on and subject to the foregoing, it is our opinion that, upon due execution of the New Notes by the Company, due authentication thereof by the Trustee in accordance with the Indenture and issuance and delivery thereof in exchange for Old Notes of equal principal amount as contemplated by the Registration Statement, the New Notes will be validly issued and will constitute legally binding obligations of the Company entitled to the benefits of the Indenture and enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms

subject to (a) applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation, reorganization, moratorium and other laws relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors generally, (b) general equitable principles, regardless of whether the issue of enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law and (c) concepts of good faith and fair dealing, materiality and reasonableness.

Our opinion set forth above is limited to the laws of the State of New York and the Delaware General Corporation Law and we do not express any opinion herein concerning any other laws.

This opinion letter is provided to the Company for its use solely in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Registration Statement and may not be used, circulated, quoted or otherwise relied upon by any other person or for any other purpose without our express written consent, except that the Company may file a copy of this opinion letter with the Commission as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. The only opinion rendered by us consists of those matters set forth in the fifth paragraph hereof, and no opinion may be implied or inferred beyond the opinion expressly stated.

We consent to the filing of this opinion letter as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the use of our name under the heading "Legal Matters" in the Prospectus constituting a part thereof. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

ALSTON & BIRD LLP

By: /s/ Alexander W. Patterson

Alexander W. Patterson, Partner

Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges Mohawk Industries, Inc.

		Fiscal Year				
	_	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Fixed charges:						
Portion of rent expense representative						
of interest	\$	6,989	9,115	9,468	12,129	13,023
Capitalized interest		799	1,661	3,213	3,097	1,885
Interest expensed			31,023			
Total fixed charges (1)	\$	44,262	41,799	45,313	53,270	44,695
Earnings:						
Earnings before income taxes	\$	131,429	194,806	259,899	267,629	291,416
Fixed charges		44,262	41,799	45,313	53,270	44,695
less:						
Capitalized interest			(1,661)			
Total earnings (2)			234,944			
	==	=====	======	======	======	======
			5.62		5.97	7.48
Insufficiency of earnings to cover fixed charges		_	-	-	-	-

⁽¹⁾ Fixed charges are equal to lease interest on leases, capitalized interest and interest expense.

⁽²⁾ Earnings are earnings before income taxes plus fixed charges less capitalized interest.

Independent Auditors' Consent

The Board of Directors Mohawk Industries, Inc.:

We consent to the use of our report incorporated herein by reference and to the reference to our firm under the heading "Experts" in the prospectus.

/s/ KPMG LLP
----KPMG LLP

Atlanta, Georgia April 19, 2002

Consent of Independent Auditors

We consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Experts" and to the use of our report dated February 22, 2002, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Dal-Tile International, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 28, 2001 and for each of the three years then ended incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement (Form S-4) and related Prospectus of Mohawk Industries, Inc. for the registration of \$700,000,000 of Mohawk Industries, Inc. senior notes.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

April 18, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C.

FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS A TRUSTEE

CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 305(b)(2)

WACHOVIA BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (Exact name of Trustee as specified in its charter)

> 22-1147033 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

301 South College Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0630 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Mohawk Industries, Inc. (Name of Obligor)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of Incorporation or organization)

52-1604305 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

160 S. Industrial Boulevard Calhoun, GA (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

30703-7002 (Zip Code)

6.50% NOTES DUE 2007, SERIES C 7.20% NOTES DUE 2012, SERIES D (Title of Indenture Securities)

Item 1. General information.

Furnish the following information as to the trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervisory authority to which it is subject:

Comptroller of the Currency, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System,

Washington, D.C.

Richmond, VA 23219

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation,

Washington, D.C.

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

The Trustee is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

Item 2. Affiliations with Obligor.

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each such affiliation.

None.

Item 16. Lists of Exhibits.

- Exhibit 1 Articles of Association of the Trustee as now in effect, incorporated herein by reference (see Exhibit T-1 Registration Number 333-47985).
- Exhibit 2 No certificate of authority of the Trustee to commence business is furnished. This authority is contained in the Articles of Association of the Trustee.
- Exhibit 3 Copy of the authorization of the Trustee to exercise corporate trust powers, incorporated herein by reference (see Exhibit T-1 Registration Number 333-49145).
- Exhibit 4 Copy of the existing By-Laws of the Trustee, as now in effect, incorporated herein by reference (see Exhibit T-1 Registration Number 333-49145).
- Exhibit 5 Not applicable.
- Exhibit 6 The consent of the Trustee required by Section 321 (b) of the Act, incorporated herein by reference (see Exhibit T-1 Registration Number 333-47985).
- Exhibit 7 Report of Condition of Wachovia Bank National Association as of the close of business on December 31, 2001, published pursuant to the law or the requirement of its supervising or examining authority.
- Exhibit 8 Not Applicable
- Exhibit 9 Not Applicable

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 the Trustee, Wachovia Bank National Association organized and existing under the laws of the United States, has duly caused this Statement of Eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the Town of Atlanta, and State of Georgia, on the 15th day of April, 2002.

WACHOVIA BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

EXHIBIT 7

Wachovia Bank National Association Statement of Financial Condition As of 12/31/2001

ASSETS (\$000's)

ASSETS

Non-interest-bearing balances and currency and coin Interest bearing balances	10,660,000 6,638,000
Securities:	
Hold-to-maturity securities Available-for-sale securities	0
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	47,596,000 5,188,000
Loans and lease financing receivables:	3,100,000
Loan and leases held for sale	7,337,000
Loan and leases, net of unearned income 116,417,000	7,337,000
Less: Allowance for loan and lease losses 2,222,000	
Less: Allocated transfer risk reserve 0	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance	114,195,000
Trading Assets	19,071,000
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	2,628,000
Other real estate owned	92,000
Investment in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	503,000
Customer's liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	732,000
Intangible assets:	
Goodwill	2,253,000
Other intangible Assets	336,000
Other assets:	15,556,000
Total Assets:	232,785,000
LIABILITIES	
Deposits:	
In domestic offices	135,276,000
Non-interest-bearing 24,546,000	
Interest-bearing 110,730,000	
In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs	12,473,000
Non-interest-bearing 32,000	
Interest-bearing 12,441,000	
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	19,728,000
Trading liabilities	15,559,000
Other borrowed money	16,702,000
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	749,000
Subordinated notes and debentures	5,993,000
Other liabilities.	9,195,000
Total liabilities	215,675,000
Minority Interest in consolidated subsidiaries EQUITY CAPITAL	977,000
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	161,000
Common Stock	455,000
Surplus	13,302,000
Retained Earnings	1,847,000
Accumulated other comprehensive income	368,000
Other Equity Capital components	0
Total equity capital	16,133,000
Total liabilities and equity capital	232,785,000