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WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Note(1)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(1)	Amount of Registration Fee
6.875% Senior Notes due 2013	\$150,000,000	100%	\$150,000,000	\$12,135

(1) Estimated solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(f).

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until 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 this Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange 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 it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Subject to completion, dated November 19, 2003

PROSPECTUS



Offer to Exchange

6.875% Senior Notes due 2013

which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933
for all outstanding 6.875% Senior Notes due 2013
(\$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount outstanding)

of

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

We are offering to exchange up to \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.875% Senior Notes due 2013 (which we refer to as the exchange notes) which will be registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, for up to \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of our issued and outstanding 6.875% Senior Notes due 2013 (which we refer to as the original notes).

The terms of the exchange offer are summarized below and more fully described in this prospectus.

- The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on _____, 2003, unless extended.
- We will exchange all original notes that are validly tendered and not withdrawn before the exchange offer expires for an equal principal amount of exchange notes which are registered under the Securities Act.
- You may withdraw tenders of original notes at any time before the exchange offer expires.
- The exchange of original notes for exchange notes will generally not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes.
- We can amend or terminate the exchange offer.
- The terms of the exchange notes will be substantially identical to the original notes, except that the transfer restrictions and registration rights relating to the original notes will not apply to the exchange notes.

Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such exchange 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 exchange notes received in exchange for original notes where such original notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. We have agreed that, for a period of 180 days after the expiration date (as defined herein), we will make this prospectus available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any such resale. See "Plan of distribution."

Please refer to "Risk factors" beginning on page 11 of this prospectus for a discussion of risks you should consider in connection with the exchange offer.

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

The date of this Prospectus is November _____, 2003.

In making your investment decision, you should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. This prospectus is part of a registration statement we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. This prospectus incorporates important business and financial information about us that is not included in this prospectus. You may obtain a copy of this information, without charge, as described in the “Where you can find more information” section. In order to obtain timely delivery, please provide us with at least five business days’ notice. *To ensure the timely delivery of any requested information with regard to this exchange offer, we must receive your request for information no later than _____, 2003.* 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 as of the date on the front cover of this prospectus only. Our business, financial condition, results of operations, and prospects may have changed since that date. Neither the delivery of this prospectus nor any sale made hereunder shall under any circumstances imply that the information herein is correct as of any date subsequent to the date on the cover of this prospectus.

In this prospectus, “we,” “us,” “our,” “Wabtec,” and the “Company” refer to Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries unless otherwise specified.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

We believe that all statements other than statements of historical facts included in this prospectus, including certain statements under “Business” and “Management’s discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations,” may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. Words such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “could,” “would,” “predicts,” “potential,” “continue,” “expects,” “anticipates,” “future,” “intends,” “plans,” “believes,” “estimates” and similar expressions, identify forward-looking statements. We have based these forward-looking statements on our current expectations and projections about future events. Although we believe that our assumptions made in connection with the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot assure you that our assumptions and expectations are correct.

These forward-looking statements are subject to various risks, uncertainties and assumptions about us, including, among other things:

Economic and industry conditions

- materially adverse changes in economic or industry conditions generally or in the markets served by us, including North America, South America, Europe, Australia and Asia;
- demand for freight cars, locomotives, passenger transit cars, buses and related products and services;
- reliance on major original equipment manufacturer customers;
- original equipment manufacturers’ program delays;
- demand for services in the freight and passenger rail industry;
- demand for our products and services;
- recovery in our industry, and in particular, orders either being delayed, cancelled, not returning to historical levels, or reduced or any combination of the foregoing;
- consolidations in the rail industry;
- continued outsourcing by our customers;
- industry demand for faster and more efficient braking equipment; or
- fluctuations in interest rates;

Operating factors

- supply disruptions;
- technical difficulties;
- changes in operating conditions and costs;
- successful introduction of new products;
- labor relations;
- completion and integration of acquisitions; or
- the development and use of new technology;

Competitive factors

- the actions of competitors;

Political/governmental factors

- political stability in relevant areas of the world;
- future regulation/deregulation of our customers and/or the rail industry;
- levels of governmental funding on transit projects, including for some of our customers;
- political developments and laws and regulations; or
- the outcome of our existing or any future legal proceedings, including litigation involving our principal customers and any litigation with respect to environmental, asbestos-related matters and pension liabilities; and

Transaction or commercial factors

- the outcome of negotiations with partners, governments, suppliers, customers or others.

The factors discussed under the heading “Risk factors” and elsewhere in this prospectus are not necessarily all of the important factors that could cause our results to differ materially from expected results. Other factors could cause actual results to vary materially from expected results. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the dates they were made and we undertake no obligation to update them, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. You are advised to consult any additional disclosures we may make in our reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”).

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

We are incorporating by reference in this prospectus the documents we file with the SEC. This means that we are disclosing 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 file later with the SEC will automatically update and supersede the information contained in this prospectus. We incorporate by reference the following documents:

- Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002, as amended by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 22, 2003;
- Our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2003, June 30, 2003 and September 30, 2003;
- Current Reports on Form 8-K dated July 11, 2003, July 25, 2003 and October 22, 2003.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated by reference, or deemed to be incorporated by reference, in this prospectus shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in this prospectus or in any other subsequently filed document which also is incorporated by reference in this prospectus modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus.

As used in this prospectus, the term "prospectus" means this prospectus, including the documents incorporated by reference, as the same may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time. Statements contained in this prospectus as to the contents of any contract or other document referred to in this prospectus do not purport to be complete, and where reference is made to the particular provisions of such contract or other document, such provisions are qualified in all respects by reference to all of the provisions of such contract or other document. We will provide without charge to each person to whom a copy of this prospectus has been delivered, on the written or oral request of such person, a copy of any or all of the documents which have been or may be incorporated in this prospectus by reference (other than exhibits to such documents unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference in any such documents) and a copy of any or all other contracts or documents which are referred to in this prospectus. You may request a copy of these filings at the address and telephone number set forth above.

PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights the information contained elsewhere in this prospectus. Because this is only a summary, it does not contain all of the information that may be important to you. We encourage you to read this entire prospectus and the documents to which this prospectus refers or are incorporated by reference herein. You should read the following summary together with the "Risk factors" included elsewhere in this prospectus and consolidated financial statements and the notes to those statements incorporated by reference in this prospectus before making an investment decision.

Our Company

We are one of the largest providers in North America of value-added, technology-based equipment and services for the global rail industry. We believe we hold a greater than 50% market share in North America for our primary braking-related equipment and a number 1 or number 2 position in North America for most of our other product lines. Our highly engineered products, which are intended to enhance safety, improve productivity and reduce maintenance costs for customers, can be found on virtually all U.S. locomotives, freight cars and passenger transit vehicles. Our primary products and services are essential in the safe and efficient operation of freight rail and passenger transit vehicles. We are a "Tier-1" supplier, with approximately 46% of our net sales in 2002 made directly to Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs), such as GE Transportation Systems (GETS), the Electro-Motive Division of General Motors Corporation (EMD), Bombardier Transportation, DaimlerChrysler Corporation and Trinity Transportation, Inc. In 2002, approximately 84% of our net sales were to customers in North America. For the twelve months ended September 30, 2003, our net sales and EBITDA, as defined herein, were \$689.2 million and \$67.0 million, respectively.

We provide our products and services through two principal business segments, the Freight Group and the Transit Group. The Freight Group manufactures and services components for new and existing freight cars and locomotives, while the Transit Group does the same for passenger transit vehicles, typically subways and buses. Both business segments serve OEMs and provide aftermarket services. In 2002, the Freight Group accounted for 64% of our total net sales, and the Transit Group accounted for the remaining 36%. In 2002, the Freight Group generated 34% of its net sales from OEMs and Class I railroads and 66% of its net sales from the aftermarket, while the Transit Group generated 69% of its net sales from OEMs and 31% of its net sales from the aftermarket. A summary of our leading product lines across both of our business segments is outlined below.

- Brakes and related components
- Brake assemblies
- Draft gears, couplers and slack adjusters
- Air compressors and dryers
- Railway electronics, including event recorders, control and monitoring equipment, and end of train devices
- Friction products
- Rail and bus door assemblies
- Heat exchangers and cooling systems
- Sanitation systems and locomotive refrigerators
- Switcher and commuter locomotives
- Heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems

We manufacture, sell and service high-quality electronics for railroads in the form of on-board systems and braking for locomotives and freight cars. We design our products to protect them from severe conditions, including extreme temperatures and high-vibration environments.

Recently, we have concentrated our new product development on extending electronic technology to braking and control systems.

We have become a leader in the rail industry by capitalizing on the strength of our existing products, technological capabilities and new product innovation. Our new product development effort has focused on electronic technology for brakes and controls. Over the past several years, we introduced a number of significant new products including electronic brakes and Positive Train Control equipment that encompasses onboard digital data and global positioning communication protocols. The Transit Group also focuses on new product development and has introduced a number of new products during the past several years. Supported by our technical staff of over 500 engineers, we have extensive experience in a broad range of product lines, which enables us to provide comprehensive, systems-based solutions for our customers. We currently own over 2,000 patents worldwide, 500 domestic patents, and over the last three years, we have filed for more than 150 U.S. patents in support of our evolving product lines.

Industry environment

We expect increased demand for our products as the U.S. economy recovers, government transit spending increases and Class I railroads, utilities and leasing companies begin to reinvest in their fleets after deferring capital spending during the difficult U.S. economic environment since 2001. We anticipate that this increased capital spending will positively impact rail industry fundamentals, which have shown gradual improvement over the past few quarters, as evidenced by better-than-expected freight car orders and backlog. For example, freight car deliveries increased to 8,251 in the third quarter of 2003, an increase of 12% over the prior quarter and up 68% over the prior year. The table below demonstrates the improving trends in the freight car segment of the rail industry:

	<u>Orders</u>	<u>Deliveries</u>	<u>Backlog</u>
First quarter 2002	2,637	3,855	24,055
Second quarter 2002	6,973	4,155	9,281
Third quarter 2002	10,135	4,925	14,491
Fourth quarter 2002	8,712	4,801	18,402
First quarter 2003	11,767	6,614	24,055
Second quarter 2003	16,693	7,365	33,383
Third quarter 2003	6,726	8,251	31,858

Source: Railway Supply Institute

In mid-2002, Metropolitan Transit Authority of New York awarded a \$1.0 billion contract to ALSTOM Transportation Inc., in partnership with Kawasaki Rail Car, Inc., for the production of 660 transit cars with the option for an additional 1,040 cars priced at \$1.4 billion, making it the largest such contract in New York City history. The cars are expected to be delivered beginning in 2006. WABCO Transit, a Wabtec division, has recently been awarded the contract, valued at \$60 million, to be the exclusive supplier of brakes, couplers and current collectors for the base order of 660 cars. If New York City exercises the option for the additional 1,040 cars, the total value of this order could be \$150 million. Design work on the contract has already started, with prototypes to be delivered in 2004. In addition, we continue to negotiate to supply door assemblies for the cars. Under our previous contracts with Kawasaki Rail Car, Inc. and Bombardier Transportation, which were completed in 2002, we were the exclusive provider of brakes, doors, current collectors and couplers to 1,630 transit cars for the Metropolitan Transit Authority of New York.

Separately, the U.S. Federal Government is considering a new proposal that would provide transportation funding of \$7.2 billion in fiscal 2004, with 2% annual increases through 2009.

See "Risk factors — Recent announcements made by ALSTOM SA, the parent of ALSTOM Transportation Inc. which is a substantial customer of ours, could affect our future business results."

Competitive strengths

Our key strengths include:

- *Leading market positions in core products.* Dating back to 1869 and George Westinghouse's invention of the straight air brake, we are an established leader in the development and manufacture of pneumatic braking equipment for freight and passenger transit vehicles. We have leveraged our leading position by focusing on research and engineering to expand beyond pneumatic braking system components to supplying integrated parts and assemblies for the locomotive through the end-of-train. We are a recognized leader in the development and production of electronic recording, measuring and communications systems, highly engineered compressors and heat exchange systems for locomotives and a leading manufacturer of freight car components, including electronic braking equipment, draft gears, brake shoes and electronic end-of-train devices. Additionally, we are a leading provider of complete door systems and couplers for passenger and transit vehicles. Wabtec has a market share of approximately 50% in North America for our braking-related equipment and has a number 1 or number 2 position in North America for most of its other product lines.
- *Breadth of product offering with a stable mix of OEM and aftermarket business.* We believe our product portfolio is one of the broadest in the rail industry, as we offer a wide selection of quality parts, components and assemblies across the entire train. In addition, our existing installed base provides us with a competitive advantage in serving the aftermarket, as customers usually prefer the original product manufacturer to provide service and maintenance on products they purchase. Over the last several years, approximately 50% of our total net sales have come from our aftermarket products and services business.
- *Leading design and engineering capabilities.* We believe a hallmark of our relationship with our customers has been our leading design and engineering practice. With over 500 domestic patents and approximately 2,000 worldwide, our dedicated staff of over 500 engineers has, in our opinion, assisted in the improvement and modernization of global railway equipment. We believe both our customers and the federal transit authorities value our technological capabilities and commitment to innovation, as we seek not only to enhance the profitability of our customers, but also to improve the overall safety of the railways through continuous product improvement.
- *Significant barriers to entry.* We believe that there are a number of company- and industry-specific factors that represent meaningful barriers to entry:
 - *Proprietary product offering.* We have an established record of product improvements and new product development. We have assembled a wide range of patented products, which we believe provides us with a competitive advantage.
 - *Substantial installed base.* We believe our installed base presents a meaningful barrier to entry in both the new product market and the aftermarket. As OEMs and Class I railroad operators attempt to modernize fleets with new products designed to improve and maintain safety and efficiency, new products must be designed to be interoperable with existing equipment. We believe our dedicated research and development staff and comprehensive product offering enables us to leverage our installed base to maintain our leadership position with OEMs and the Class I railroads. Similarly, we believe our substantial installed base makes us a preferred supplier in the aftermarket, as end-users typically prefer to source performance and safety-related replacement parts and service from the original product supplier.
 - *Regulatory nature of the rail industry.* Oversight of the rail industry is governed by a number of federal regulatory agencies, including the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB), the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) and the Association of American Railroads (AAR). These groups mandate rigorous manufacturer certification and new product testing and approval processes

that we believe are difficult for new entrants to cost-effectively and efficiently meet without the scale and extensive experience we possess.

- *Experienced management team.* Our management team has over 150 years of combined experience with the Company, and has implemented numerous initiatives that have enabled us to manage the sharp cyclical downturn in the rail supply market in 2001 and 2002. Our management team has implemented the Wabtec Quality and Performance System (QPS), an ongoing program that focuses on “lean manufacturing” principles and continuous improvement across all aspects of our business. In addition, in 2001, we completed a plan to eliminate excess manufacturing capacity by closing several facilities, realigning operations, reducing head count and divesting certain non-core assets. Since 2000, we have also reduced our debt by approximately \$350 million, lowering our percentage of debt to book capitalization from 73% at December 31, 2000 to 46% at September 30, 2003. Through these kinds of initiatives, our management team has improved our cost structure, operating leverage and financial flexibility and placed us in an excellent position to benefit from growth opportunities in an improving operating environment.

Business strategy

Our primary goal is to gain market share and operate efficiently by executing the following four-point plan:

- *Expand systems offerings as “Tier 1” supplier.* We are currently a “Tier I” supplier to OEMs in certain markets, but desire to expand our business with these customers to become an even more integral part of their operations. We plan to focus on integrating our electronic, pneumatic and mechanical technologies within and across business units and combining them as a complete package. Increasingly, customers will be able to purchase complete assemblies from us, rather than purchasing individual components from multiple suppliers. This will likely improve reliability and reduce product integration issues. We expect this capability to strengthen our position against competitors that do not have the breadth and depth of our product line. In addition, we will have the opportunity to service these assemblies in the aftermarket as they require replacement, upgrade or repair. In this way, we expect to increase the installed base of our products over time.
- *Accelerate new product and service development.* During the recent industry downturn, we maintained research and development spending at historical levels and continued to fund major development projects, and we will continue to emphasize research and development to create new and improved products. We are focusing on technological advances, especially in the areas of electronics, braking products and other on-board equipment, as a means of new product growth. We seek to provide customers with incremental technological advances that offer immediate benefits for relatively low investments. In addition, we are focused on expanding the level and type of aftermarket services that we currently provide to customers. In this way, we expect to take advantage of the industry trend toward outsourcing, as railroads and transit authorities focus on their core function of transporting goods and people, rather than maintaining and servicing their equipment.
- *Expand globally.* Our net sales outside of North America totaled 16% in 2002, and we believe that international markets represent a significant opportunity for future growth. We intend to increase our existing international sales through strategic acquisitions, direct sales of products through our existing subsidiaries and licensees and joint ventures with railway suppliers having a strong presence in their local markets. We are specifically targeting markets that operate significant fleets of U.S.-style locomotives and freight cars, including Australia, China, India, Russia, South Africa, South America and select areas within Europe.
- *Continuous improvement through lean principles.* We intend to build on what we consider to be a leading position as a low-cost producer in the industry while maintaining world-class product quality, technology and customer responsiveness. Through QPS and employee-directed initiatives such as

Kaizen, a Japanese-developed team concept, we continuously strive to improve quality, lead time and productivity, and to reduce costs. These efforts enable us to streamline processes, improve product quality and customer satisfaction, reduce product cycle times and respond more rapidly to market developments. Over time, we expect these lean initiatives to enable us to increase profit margins, which would improve cash flow and strengthen our ability to invest in new product and service programs.

Industry overview

Our operating results are strongly influenced by the level of activity, financial condition and capital spending plans of the global railroad industry, which in large part is driven by the overall health and growth prospects of the national and local economies in the markets we serve. In global freight rail markets, rail traffic, in terms of revenue ton-miles and carloadings, is a key factor underlying the demand for our products and services. Additionally, railroads continuously seek to increase the efficiency and productivity of their rail operations to improve profitability, which results in the purchase of new, more efficient equipment. In global transit markets, government investment in public transportation and ridership levels are key factors underlying the demand for our products and services.

Demand for North American locomotive and freight car products is driven by a number of factors, including:

- *Rail traffic revenue ton-miles and carloadings.* In 2002, revenue ton-miles increased approximately 1% and car loadings decreased approximately 1% compared to 2001, which we believe reflects North America's relatively slow economic growth during the year. In response to the slow economy and little growth in rail traffic, we believe railroads deferred maintenance on some of the existing locomotives and freight cars in their fleets, which reduced our aftermarket sales. As the economy and rail traffic strengthen, we expect that railroads may return to a more typical pattern of maintenance spending.
- *OEM demand for new locomotives.* Currently, the active locomotive fleet in the North American market numbers approximately 20,000 units. The average number of new locomotives delivered in each of the past 10 years was about 1,000 annually. In 2002, deliveries of new, heavy-haul locomotives were 969, down from 1,085 in 2001. In 2003, we expect the industry to deliver about 700 new locomotives. Our expectation is that the locomotive market will increase to about 1,000 units in 2004 as railroads opt to purchase new units before stricter U.S. federal government emissions standards take effect in January 2005.
- *OEM demand for new freight cars.* Currently, the active freight car fleet in North America numbers approximately 1.3 million. The average number of new freight cars delivered in each of the past 10 years was about 50,000 annually. In 2002, new freight car deliveries were substantially below the 10-year average for the second consecutive year (17,736, compared to 34,260 in 2001), which we believe was due to abnormally high purchases in 1998-99 (about 75,000 units each year). Year-to-date results indicate that about 30,000 new cars will be delivered this year, well below average and below the 40,000 units we view as a normal replacement demand. It is our belief that the delivery rate for the next several years may increase, as railroads and leasing companies recognize the benefit of new technology and specialty cars designed to increase and maintain safety and efficiency.

Demand for North American transit products is driven by a number of factors, including:

- *Replacement; building and/or expansion programs of transit authorities.* These programs are funded in part by national and local government programs. Currently, the U.S. federal government is considering new spending legislation, known as SAFETEA, that would provide federal funding for transit projects for the fiscal years 2004-09. Although the amount of future funding is yet to be finalized, the current legislation calls for a funding level of about \$7.2 billion in fiscal 2004 (about the same as in fiscal year

2003), with annual increases of about 2% per year through fiscal 2009. The amount of funding in the legislation will have an impact on the capital spending plans of transit authorities. In recent years, strong U.S. federal funding for transit projects has served as a countercyclical balance during the downturn in our freight rail markets.

The average annual number of new transit car deliveries over the past 10 years is about 600 units. Due to strong funding levels under previous federal legislation, transit authorities, particularly in New York City, have increased purchases of new vehicles in recent years. In 2002, for example, 1,230 new transit cars were delivered. In 2003, we expect transit car deliveries to be about 700 units, reflecting the completion of a major order by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority of New York, which owns about 40% of the transit vehicles in North America. In late 2002, New York City placed another major order for new subway cars, with deliveries expected to begin in 2006. As a result, management expects the annual transit vehicle delivery rate to be in the range of 500-800 units for the next several years.

- *Ridership levels.* Ridership on U.S. transit vehicles increased steadily from 1995-2001. In 2002, ridership decreased for the first time since 1995 due to higher unemployment levels in the U.S. The lower ridership level, as well as government funding cutbacks, negatively impacted aftermarket spending in 2002 and that trend has continued in 2003. We believe, however, that the current underspending will create a pent-up demand for maintenance and service work if ridership and funding levels increase in future years.

Recent developments

On November 14, 2003 we completed our secondary offering of 4,846,000 shares of common stock at \$14.68 per share. The shares were sold by Charlesbank Equity Fund II, Limited Partnership, the successor to Harvard Private Capital Holdings, Inc.; Vestar Equity Partners, L.P. and Vestar Capital Partners, Inc., all of which held the shares since 1997 or prior. The shares represent 11.1 percent of total shares outstanding.

Additionally, the underwriters purchased an additional 726,900 shares from us pursuant to an overallotment option. The managing underwriters for the offering were Credit Suisse First Boston and Morgan Stanley as joint bookrunners, and BB&T Capital Markets and Morgan Keegan as co-managers.

A registration statement relating to these securities was filed on Oct. 23, 2003 with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 10, 2003.

The Exchange Offer

Background

On August 6, 2003, we completed a private placement of the original notes. In connection with that private placement, we entered into a registration rights agreement in which we agreed to deliver this prospectus to you and to make an exchange offer. This exchange offer is intended to satisfy the exchange and registration rights granted to the initial purchasers of the original notes in the registration rights agreement. Except in the limited circumstances described below, after the exchange offer is complete, you will no longer be entitled to any exchange or registration rights with respect to your original notes.

Exchange notes

Up to \$150,000,000 of 6.875% notes due 2013. The terms of the exchange notes and the original notes are identical in all material respects, except for certain transfer restrictions and registration rights relating to the original notes.

The exchange offer	We are offering to exchange the original notes for a like principal amount of exchange notes. Original notes may only be exchanged in integral principal multiples of \$1,000.
Expiration date; withdrawal of tender	Our exchange offer will expire 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on _____, 2003, or a later time if we choose to extend the exchange offer. You may withdraw your tender of original notes at any time prior to the expiration date. All outstanding original notes that are validly tendered and not validly withdrawn will be exchanged. Any original notes not accepted by us for exchange for any reason will be returned to you at our expense as promptly as possible after the expiration or termination of the exchange offer.
Resales of exchange notes	<p>Based on interpretive letters of the SEC staff to third parties, we believe that you can offer for resale, resell and otherwise transfer the exchange notes without complying with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • you acquire the exchange notes in the ordinary course of business; • you are not participating, do not intend to participate, and have no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate, in the distribution of the exchange notes; and • you are not an “affiliate” of ours, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. <p>If any of these conditions is not satisfied and you transfer any exchange notes without qualifying for a registration exemption, you may incur liability under the Securities Act. We do not assume or indemnify you against this liability.</p> <p>Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account in exchange for original notes, where such original notes were acquired by such 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 such exchange notes. We have agreed that for a period of 180 days after the expiration date (as defined herein) we will keep the prospectus current and make it available for this purpose to broker-dealers who request it in writing for such use. See “Plan of distribution.”</p>
Conditions to the exchange offer	Our obligation to accept for exchange, or to issue the exchange notes in exchange for, any original notes is subject to certain customary conditions relating to compliance with any applicable law, or any applicable interpretation by the staff of the SEC, or any order of any governmental agency or court of law. See “The exchange offer — Conditions to the exchange offer.”
Procedures for tendering notes held in the form of book-entry interests	The original notes were issued as global securities and were deposited upon issuance with the Trustee, as custodian for The Depository Trust

Company (“DTC”). The Trustee issued certificateless depository interests in those outstanding original notes, which represent a 100% interest in those original notes, to DTC. Beneficial interests in the outstanding original notes, which are held by direct or indirect participants in DTC through the certificateless depository interest, are shown on, and transfers of the original notes can only be made through, records maintained in book-entry form by DTC.

You may tender your outstanding original notes:

- through a computer-generated message transmitted using DTC’s transfer procedures and received by the exchange agent and forming a part of a confirmation of book-entry transfer in which you acknowledge and agree to be bound by the terms of the letter of transmittal; or
- by sending a properly completed and signed letter of transmittal, which accompanies this prospectus, and other documents required by the letter of transmittal, or a facsimile of the letter of transmittal and other required documents, to the exchange agent at the address on the cover page of the letter of transmittal;

and either:

- a timely confirmation of book-entry transfer of your outstanding original notes into the exchange agent’s account at DTC, under the procedure for book-entry transfers described in this prospectus under the heading “The exchange offer-Book entry transfers” must be received by the exchange agent on or before the expiration date; or
- the documents necessary for compliance with the guaranteed delivery described in “The exchange offer-Guaranteed delivery procedures” must be received by the exchange agent on or before the expiration date.

United States federal income tax considerations

The exchange offer should not result in any income, gain or loss to the holders of original notes or to us for United States federal income tax purposes. See “Certain U.S. federal income tax considerations.”

Use of proceeds

We will not receive any proceeds from the issuance of the exchange notes in the exchange offer.

The proceeds from the offering of the original notes were used to reduce revolving credit borrowings under our credit agreement to approximately \$40.0 million and for general corporate purposes.

Exchange agent

The Bank of New York is serving as the exchange agent for the exchange offer.

Shelf registration statement

In limited circumstances, holders of original notes may require us to register their original notes under a shelf registration statement. See “The exchange offer — Shelf registration.”

THE EXCHANGE NOTES

The terms of the exchange notes and those of the original notes are substantially identical, except that the transfer restrictions and registration rights relating to the original notes do not apply to the exchange notes. For a more complete understanding of the exchange notes, please refer to the section of this prospectus entitled "Description of exchange notes."

Issuer	Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation.
Notes offered	\$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.875% Senior Notes due 2013.
Maturity date	July 31, 2013.
Interest rate	6.875% per year.
Interest payment dates	January 31 and July 31 of each year, beginning on January 31, 2004.
Guarantees	Each of our subsidiaries guaranteeing our credit agreement will unconditionally guarantee the exchange notes on a senior unsecured basis.
Ranking	<p>The exchange notes will be our unsecured senior obligations and will rank equally with all of our existing and future senior debt and rank senior to all of our existing and future senior subordinated debt. The exchange notes will be effectively subordinated to all of our existing and future secured debt, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt.</p> <p>The guarantees by our subsidiaries will rank equally with existing and future senior debt of such subsidiaries. The guarantees by our subsidiaries will be effectively subordinated to all of the existing and future secured debt of such subsidiaries, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt.</p>
Equity clawback	We may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the exchange notes using the proceeds from certain public equity offerings completed on or before July 31, 2006. See "Description of exchange notes — Equity clawback."
Change of control and asset sales	<p>If we experience specific kinds of changes of control, we will be required to make an offer to purchase the exchange notes at a purchase price of 101% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest to the purchase date. See "Description of exchange notes — Change of control."</p> <p>If we sell assets under certain circumstances, we will be required to make an offer to purchase the exchange notes at the prices listed in "Description of exchange notes — Repurchase at option of holder."</p>

Certain covenants	<p>The indenture restricts our ability and the ability of our restricted subsidiaries to, among other things:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • incur additional debt and issue preferred stock; • make certain distributions, investments and other restricted payments; • create certain liens; • enter into transactions with affiliates; • restrict distributions to us from our restricted subsidiaries; • merge, consolidate or sell substantially all of our assets; • limit the ability of our subsidiaries to incur indebtedness and issue preferred stock; • enter into sale/leaseback transactions; and • sell assets. <p>These covenants are subject to important exceptions and qualifications. See “Description of exchange notes — Certain covenants.”</p>
Covenant suspension	<p>At any time when the notes are rated investment grade by both Moody’s and S&P and no default or event of default has occurred and is continuing under the indenture, we and our subsidiaries will not be subject to certain of the foregoing covenants. See “Description of exchange notes — Suspension of covenants.”</p>
Listing	<p>We do not intend to list the exchange notes on any securities exchange.</p>
Further Issues	<p>We may from time to time, without notice to or the consent of the holders of the exchange notes, create and issue further notes ranking equally and ratably with the exchange notes. Such further notes may be issued under the indenture relating to the exchange notes and will have the same terms and conditions as the exchange notes.</p>
Risk factors	<p>See “Risk factors” for a discussion of certain factors that you should carefully consider before investing in the exchange notes.</p>

RISK FACTORS

You should carefully consider the risks below before making an investment decision. The risks described below are not the only ones facing us. Risks not presently known to us or that we currently consider immaterial may also impact us. Any of these risks could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and the trading price of our common stock.

Risks relating to our indebtedness

Our substantial indebtedness could adversely affect our financial health and prevent us from fulfilling our obligations under the exchange notes.

We have a significant amount of indebtedness. At September 30, 2003 we had total net debt of \$163.8 million.

Our substantial indebtedness could have important consequences to you. For example, it could:

- make it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations with respect to the exchange notes;
- increase our vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions;
- require us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to payments on our indebtedness, thereby reducing the availability of our cash flow to fund working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions and other general corporate purposes;
- limit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industries in which we operate;
- place us at a disadvantage compared to competitors that have less debt; and
- limit our ability to borrow additional funds.

The indenture for the exchange notes and our credit agreement contain various covenants that limit our management's discretion in the operation of our businesses.

The indenture governing the exchange notes and our credit agreement contain various covenants that limit our management's discretion by restricting our ability to:

- incur additional debt and issue preferred stock;
- pay dividends and make other distributions;
- make investments and other restricted payments; and
- create liens.

Risks related to our business

Our revenues are subject to cyclical variations in the railway markets and changes in government spending.

The railway industry historically has been subject to significant fluctuations due to overall economic conditions and the level of use of alternate methods of transportation and the levels of federal, state and local government spending on railroad transit projects. In economic downturns, railroads have deferred, and may continue to defer certain expenditures in order to conserve cash in the short term, and reductions in freight traffic may reduce demand for our replacement products.

The passenger transit railroad industry is also cyclical. New passenger transit car orders vary from year to year and are influenced greatly by major replacement programs and by the construction or expansion of transit

systems by transit authorities. A substantial portion of our net sales has been, and we expect that a material portion of our future net sales may be, derived from contracts with metropolitan transit and commuter rail authorities and Amtrak. To the extent that future funding for proposed public projects is curtailed or withdrawn altogether as a result of changes in political, economic, fiscal or other conditions beyond our control, such projects may be delayed or cancelled, resulting in a potential loss of new business for us including transit aftermarket and new transit car orders. For example, for the quarter ended September 30, 2003, sales in our Transit Group decreased by 21% as compared to the same quarter the prior year primarily due to lower aftermarket sales. A substantial portion of our transit business is dependent upon aftermarket sales. There can be no assurance that economic conditions will be favorable or that there will not be significant fluctuations adversely affecting the industry as a whole and, as a result, us. In addition, even if an economic recovery occurs, there can be no assurance that demand for our products will match or exceed historical levels.

We are dependent upon key customers.

We rely on several key customers who represent a significant portion of our business. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002, five customers accounted for 30% of our net sales and one customer, Bombardier Transportation, accounted for 11% of our net sales in 2002 and 2001. Our top five customers have remained essentially the same over the past three years. While we believe our relationships with our customers are generally good, our top customers could choose to reduce or terminate their relationships with us. In addition, many of our customers place orders for products on an as needed basis and operate in cyclical industries and, as a result, their order levels have varied from period to period in the past and may vary significantly in the future. Such customer orders are dependent upon their markets and customers, and may be subject to delays and cancellations. As a result of our dependence on our key customers, we could experience a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition if we lost any one or more of our key customers or if there is a reduction in their demand for our products.

Our business operates in a highly competitive industry.

We operate in a competitive marketplace and face substantial competition from a limited number of established competitors in the United States and abroad, some of which may have greater financial resources than us. Price competition is strong and, coupled with the existence of a limited number of cost conscious purchasers, has historically limited our ability to increase prices. In addition to price, competition is based on product performance and technological leadership, quality, reliability of delivery and customer service and support. There can be no assurance that competition in one or more of our markets will not adversely affect us and our results of operations.

We intend to pursue future acquisition strategies that involve a number of inherent risks, any of which may cause us not to realize anticipated benefits.

One aspect of our business strategy is to selectively pursue acquisitions, joint ventures and other business combinations that we believe will improve our market position and realize operating synergies, operating expense reductions and overhead cost savings. Acquisitions, joint ventures and other business combinations involve inherent risks and uncertainties, any one of which could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations, including:

- difficulties in achieving identified financial and operating synergies, including the integration of operations, services and products;
- diversion of management attention from other business concerns;
- the assumption of unknown liabilities; and
- unanticipated changes in the market conditions, business and economic factors affecting such an acquisition.

We cannot assure you that we will be able to consummate any future acquisitions, joint ventures or other business combinations. If we are unable to identify suitable acquisition candidates or to consummate synergistic and strategic acquisitions, we may be unable to fully implement our business strategy and our business and results of operations may be adversely affected as a result. In addition, our ability to engage in strategic acquisitions will be dependent on our ability to raise substantial capital, and we may not be able to raise the funds necessary to implement our acquisition strategy on terms satisfactory to us, if at all.

As we introduce new products and services, a failure to predict and react to consumer demand could adversely affect our business.

We have dedicated significant resources to the development, manufacturing and marketing of new products. Decisions to develop and market new transportation products are typically made without firm indications of customer acceptance. Moreover, by their nature, new products may require alteration of existing business methods or threaten to displace existing equipment in which our customers may have a substantial capital investment. There can be no assurance that any new products that we develop will gain widespread acceptance in the marketplace or that such products will be able to compete successfully with other new products or services that may be introduced by competitors.

Prolonged unfavorable economic and market conditions could adversely affect our business.

Unfavorable general economic and market conditions in the United States and internationally (including as a result of terrorist activities and the military response by the United States and other countries) could have a negative impact on our sales and operations. To the extent that these factors result in continued instability of capital markets, shortages of raw materials or component parts, longer sales cycles, deferral or delay of customer orders or an inability to market our products effectively, our business and results of operations could be materially adversely effected.

A growing portion of our sales may be derived from our international operations which exposes us to certain risks inherent in doing business on an international level.

In fiscal year 2002, 16% of our consolidated net sales were derived from sales outside of North America and we intend to expand our international operations in the future. We currently conduct our international operations through a variety of wholly- and majority-owned subsidiaries and joint ventures in Australia, Canada, China, France, India, Italy, Mexico and the United Kingdom. As a result, we are subject to various risks, any one of which could have a material adverse effect on those operations on our business as a whole, including:

- lack of complete operating control;
- lack of local business experience;
- currency exchange fluctuations;
- foreign trade restrictions and exchange controls;
- difficulty enforcing intellectual property rights;
- the potential for nationalization of enterprises; and
- economic, political and social instability.

In addition, certain jurisdictions have laws that limit the ability of non-U.S. subsidiaries and their affiliates to pay dividends and repatriate cash flows.

We may incur increased costs due to fluctuations in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates.

In the ordinary course of business, we are exposed to increases in interest rates that may adversely affect funding costs associated with our variable-rate debt and changes in foreign currency exchange rates. We seek to

minimize these risks through the use of interest rate swap contracts and currency hedging agreements. There can be no assurance that any of these measures will be effective. Any material changes in interest or exchange rates could result in material losses to us. For the quarter ended September 30, 2003, our gross margins were negatively impacted by the unfavorable effects of foreign exchange rates on our Canadian operations. Based on our September 30, 2003 capital structure, we do not believe we have any material exposure to changes in interest rates.

We may have liability arising from asbestos litigation.

Actions have been filed against us and certain of our affiliates in various jurisdictions across the United States by persons alleging bodily injury as a result of exposure to asbestos-containing products. Since 2000, the number of such claims has increased. Most of these claims have been made against our wholly-owned subsidiary, Railroad Friction Products Corporation (RFPC), and are based on a product sold by RFPC before we acquired American Standard Inc.'s (ASI) 50% interest in RFPC in 1990. We acquired the remaining interest in RFPC in 1992. These claims include a suit against RFPC by ASI seeking contribution and indemnity for asbestos claims brought against ASI that ASI alleges claim exposure to RFPC's products.

Most of these claims, including all of the RFPC claims, are submitted to insurance carriers for defense and indemnity or to non-affiliated companies that retained the liabilities for the asbestos-containing products at issue. Neither we nor our affiliates have to date incurred material costs related to these asbestos claims. We cannot, however, assure that all these claims will be fully covered by insurance or that the indemnitors will remain financially viable. Our ultimate legal and financial liability with respect to these claims, as is the case with other pending litigation, cannot be estimated with certainty.

We are subject to a variety of environmental laws and regulations.

We are subject to a variety of federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations. Although we believe we are in material compliance with all of the various regulations applicable to its business, there can be no assurance that requirements will not change in the future or that we will not incur significant costs to comply with such requirements. There can be no assurance that we will not incur significant environmental costs in the future to comply with such requirements. If we violate or fail to comply with these regulations, we could be fined or otherwise sanctioned by regulators. In addition, these requirements are complex, change frequently and may become more stringent over time. These requirements may change in the future in a manner that could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Our manufacturer's warranties may expose us to potentially significant claims.

We warrant the workmanship and materials of many of our products. Accordingly, we are subject to a risk of product liability or warranty claims in the event that the failure of any of our products results in personal injury or death, or does not conform to our customers' specifications. In addition, in recent years, we have introduced a number of new products for which we do not have the same level of historical warranty experience. Although we have not had any material product liability or warranty claims made against us and we currently maintain liability insurance coverage, we cannot assure you that product liability claims, if made, would not exceed our insurance coverage limits or that insurance will continue to be available on commercially acceptable terms, if at all. The possibility exists for these types of warranty claims to result in costly product recalls, significant repair costs and damage to our reputation.

Labor disputes may have a material adverse effect on our operations and profitability.

We collectively bargain with eleven labor unions that represent approximately 35% of our employees. Our current collective bargaining agreements expire in 2004, 2005 and 2006. Failure to reach an agreement could result in strikes or other labor protests which could disrupt our operations. If we were to experience a strike or

work stoppage, it would be difficult for us to find a sufficient number of employees with the necessary skills to replace these employees. We cannot assure you that we will reach any such agreement or that we will not encounter strikes or other types of conflicts with the labor unions of our personnel. Such labor disputes could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations, could cause us to lose revenues and customers and might have permanent effects on our business.

Recent announcements made by ALSTOM SA, the parent of ALSTOM Transportation Inc. which is a substantial customer of ours, could affect our future business results.

ALSTOM SA, the parent corporation of ALSTOM Transportation Inc., recently announced in filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission that “it is conducting an internal review assisted by external accountants and lawyers following receipt of letters earlier alleging accounting improprieties on a railcar contract being executed at the Hornell, New York facility of Alstom Transportation.” In addition, ALSTOM SA has publicly reported that the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and the Federal Bureau of Investigation have opened informal investigations into ALSTOM Transportation Inc. Finally, ALSTOM SA has announced several initiatives to strengthen its balance sheet, including to meet upcoming debt maturities.

At September 30, 2003 our accounts receivable, as stated on our balance sheet, included in the aggregate approximately \$6 million due from ALSTOM Transportation Inc. We have ongoing existing and potential business relationships with ALSTOM Transportation Inc. Although no assurances can be given, we do not currently believe that the announcements described in the preceding paragraph or any developments as a result thereof would materially adversely affect us.

From time to time we are engaged in contractual disputes with our customers.

From time to time we are engaged in contractual disputes with our customers regarding routine delivery and performance issues as well as adjustments for design changes and related extra work. These disputes are generally resolved in the ordinary course of business without having a material adverse impact on us. We recently made two separate claims against one of our customers for \$3.1 million and \$3.6 million, respectively, of additional costs in connection with a contract. Our customer has responded with general assertions provided without support or specificity, of delay damages and costs in the amount of \$26.1 million and \$4.5 million, respectively. We believe that we have no liability with respect to these disputes.

Risks related to the exchange notes

The exchange notes and the guarantees will be effectively subordinated to all of our and our subsidiary guarantors’ secured indebtedness and all indebtedness and other obligations of our nonguarantor subsidiaries.

The exchange notes will not be secured. The exchange notes are effectively subordinated to our and our subsidiaries’ secured indebtedness that we may incur from time to time to the extent of the value of the assets securing that indebtedness and the holders of the exchange notes would in all likelihood recover ratably less than the lenders of our and our subsidiaries’ secured indebtedness in the event of our bankruptcy, liquidation or dissolution. At September 30, 2003, we had no secured indebtedness.

In addition, the exchange notes will be structurally subordinated to all of the liabilities and other obligations of our subsidiaries that do not guarantee the exchange notes. In the event of a bankruptcy, liquidation or dissolution of any of the non-guarantor subsidiaries, holders of their indebtedness, their trade creditors and holders of their preferred equity will generally be entitled to payment on their claims from assets of those subsidiaries before any assets are made available for distribution to us. However, under some circumstances, the terms of the exchange notes will permit our non-guarantor subsidiaries to incur additional specified indebtedness.

We may not be able to purchase the exchange notes upon a change of control.

Upon the occurrence of certain specific kinds of change of control events, we will be required to offer to repurchase all outstanding exchange notes at a price equal to 101% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of repurchase. However, it is possible that we will not have sufficient funds at the time of the change of control to make the required repurchase of exchange notes.

Federal and state statutes allow courts, under specific circumstances, to void the guarantees of the exchange notes by our subsidiaries and require the holders of the exchange notes to return payments received from the subsidiary guarantors.

Under the federal bankruptcy law and comparable provisions of state fraudulent transfer laws, the subsidiary guarantees could be voided, or claims in respect of the subsidiary guarantees could be subordinated to all other debts of a subsidiary guarantor if, either, the subsidiary guarantee was incurred with the intent to hinder, delay or defraud any present or future creditors of any subsidiary guarantor, at the time it incurred the indebtedness evidenced by its subsidiary guarantee, received less than reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration for the incurrence of such indebtedness and the subsidiary guarantor either:

- as insolvent or rendered insolvent by reason of such incurrence;
- was engaged in a business or transaction for which such subsidiary guarantor's remaining assets constituted unreasonably small capital; or
- intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond its ability to pay such debts as they mature.

If a subsidiary guarantee is voided, you will be unable to rely on the applicable subsidiary guarantor to satisfy your claim in the event that we fail to make one or more required payments due on the exchange notes. In addition, any payment by such subsidiary guarantor pursuant to its subsidiary guarantee could be voided and required to be returned to such subsidiary guarantor, or to a fund for the benefit of creditors of such subsidiary guarantor.

The measures of insolvency for purposes of these fraudulent transfer laws will vary depending upon the law applied in any proceeding to determine whether a fraudulent transfer has occurred. Generally, however, a subsidiary guarantor would be considered insolvent if:

- the sum of its debts, including contingent liabilities, were greater than the fair saleable value of all of its assets;
- the present fair saleable value of its assets were less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liability on its existing debts, including the contingent liabilities, as they become absolute and mature; or
- it could not pay its debts as they become due.

On the basis of historical financial information, recent operating history and other factors, we and each subsidiary guarantor believe that, after giving effect to the indebtedness incurred in connection with this offering, no subsidiary guarantor will be insolvent, will have unreasonably small capital for the business in which it is engaged or will have incurred debts beyond its ability to pay such debts as they mature. There can be no assurance, however, as to what standard a court would apply in making such determination or that a court would agree with our or the subsidiary guarantors' conclusions in this regard.

Certain covenants contained in the indenture will not be applicable during any period in which the exchange notes are rated investment grade by both Standard & Poor's and Moody's.

The indenture provides that certain covenants will not apply to us during any period in which the exchange notes are rated investment grade by both Standard & Poor's and Moody's. The covenants restrict, among other

things, our ability to pay dividends, incur debt, and to enter into other transactions. There can be no assurance that the exchange notes will ever be rated investment grade, or that if they are rated investment grade, the exchange notes will maintain such rating. However, suspension of these covenants would allow us to engage in certain transactions that would not be permitted while these covenants were in force and any such actions that we take while these covenants are not enforce will be permitted event if the exchange notes are subsequently downgraded below investment grade. See “Description of exchange notes — Suspension of covenants.”

There is no public market for the exchange notes and it is unlikely that one will develop.

The exchange notes are a new issue of securities with no established trading market and will not be listed on any securities exchange. The initial purchasers have informed us that they currently intend to make a market in the exchange notes. However, the initial purchasers are not obligated to do so and may discontinue any such market making at any time without notice. In addition, the liquidity of the trading market in the exchange notes, and the market price quoted for the exchange notes, may be adversely affected by changes in the overall market for debt securities and by changes in our financial performance or prospects or in the prospects for companies in our industry generally.

Historically, the market for non-investment grade debt has been subject to disruptions that have caused substantial volatility in the prices of securities similar to the exchange notes. We cannot assure you that the market for the exchange notes, if any, will not be subject to similar disruptions. Any such disruptions may adversely affect you as a holder of the exchange notes.

Risks related to our former auditor

Arthur Andersen LLP, our former auditors, audited certain financial information set forth and incorporated by reference in this prospectus. In the event such financial information is later determined to contain false statements, you may be unable to recover damages from Arthur Andersen LLP.

Arthur Andersen LLP completed its audit of our financial statements as of December 31, 2001 and for the three years then ended and issued its report with respect to such financial statements on February 18, 2002. Subsequently, Arthur Andersen was convicted of obstruction of justice for activities relating to its previous work for Enron Corporation.

In May 2002, both our audit committee and our board of directors approved the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent public accountants to audit our financial statements for fiscal year 2002. Ernst & Young replaced Arthur Andersen, which had served as our independent auditors for over 10 years. We had no disagreements required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 304 of Regulation S-K with Arthur Andersen on any matter of accounting principle or practice, financial statement disclosure or auditing scope or procedure. Arthur Andersen audited the financial statements that we incorporate by reference in this prospectus as of December 31, 2001 and 2000, and for each of the years in the two-year period ended December 31, 2001, as set forth in their report. We include these financial statements in reliance on the authority of Arthur Andersen’s experience giving said report.

Arthur Andersen has stopped conducting business before the Commission, has ceased accounting and audit-related practice and has limited assets available to satisfy the claims of creditors. As a result, you may be limited in your ability to recover damages from Arthur Andersen under federal or state law if it is later determined that there are false statements contained in this prospectus relating to or contained in financial data audited by Arthur Andersen.

RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

	Years ended December 31,					Nine months ended September 30,	
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2002	2003
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	3.3x	2.0x	1.8x	1.5x	2.2x	2.0x	4.2x

The ratio of earnings to fixed charges is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\text{(earnings)}}{\text{(fixed charges)}}$$

For purposes of calculating the ratios, earnings generally consist of:

- income from continuing operations;
- plus fixed charges; and
- minus capitalized interest.

For purposes of calculating the ratios, fixed charges generally consist of:

- interest expense on debt;
- the portion of rental expense considered representative of the interest factor; and
- capitalized interest.

THE EXCHANGE OFFER

Terms of the exchange offer; Period for tendering original notes

On August 6, 2003, we sold the original notes to J.P. Morgan Securities, Inc., Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, BNY Capital Markets, Inc., Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc., ABN AMRO Incorporated, BB&T Capital Markets, a division of Scott & Stringfellow, Inc., NatCity Investments, Inc. and PNC Capital Markets, Inc. (collectively referred to as the initial purchasers) pursuant to a Purchase Agreement dated July 23, 2003. The initial purchasers subsequently resold the original notes to qualified institutional buyers in accordance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act and outside the United States in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act. When we sold the original notes, we entered into an exchange and registration rights agreement with the initial purchasers under which we agreed:

- to prepare and file with the SEC a registration statement under the Securities Act relating to a registered exchange offer;
- to use our reasonable best efforts to cause the registration statement to become effective under the Securities Act;
- upon the effectiveness of the registration statement, to offer the exchange notes in exchange for surrender of the original notes; and
- to keep the exchange offer open for not less than 20 business days (or longer if required by applicable law) after the date notice of the exchange offer is mailed to the holders of the original notes.

Subject to terms and conditions detailed in this prospectus, we will accept for exchange original notes which are properly tendered on or prior to the expiration date and not withdrawn as permitted below. As used herein, the term "expiration date" means 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on _____, 2003, as it may be extended in our sole discretion.

As of the date of this prospectus, \$150.0 million aggregate principal amount of original notes are outstanding. This prospectus, together with the letter of transmittal, is first being sent on or about the date hereof, to all holders of original notes known to us.

Original notes tendered in the exchange offer must be in denominations of principal amount of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof.

The form and terms of the exchange notes are the same as the form and terms of the outstanding original notes except that:

- the exchange notes being issued in the exchange offer will be registered under the Securities Act and will not have legends restricting their transfer;
- the provisions for payment of additional interest in case of non-registration will be eliminated;
- the exchange notes being issued in the exchange offer will not have the registration rights applicable to the original notes; and
- interest on the exchange notes will accrue from the last interest date to which interest was paid on your original notes or, if none, from the date of issuance.

Outstanding original notes that we accept for exchange will not accrue interest after we complete the exchange offer. The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. If we extend the exchange offer, we will issue a notice by press release or other public announcement before 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the next business day after the previously scheduled expiration date.

If we extend the exchange offer, original notes that you have previously tendered will still be subject to the exchange offer, and we may accept them.

To the extent we are legally permitted to do so, we reserve the right, in our sole discretion:

- to delay accepting your original notes;
- to terminate the exchange offer and not accept any original notes for exchange if any of the conditions have not been satisfied; or
- to amend the exchange offer in any manner.

Any such delay in acceptance, termination or amendment will be followed as promptly as practicable by oral or written notice to the registered holders of original notes.

Without limiting the manner by which we may choose to give notice of any extension, delay in acceptance, amendment or termination of the exchange offer, we will have no obligation to publish, advertise or otherwise communicate any public announcement, other than by making a timely press release to a financial news service.

We will promptly return your original notes without expense to you after the exchange offer expires or terminates if we do not accept them for exchange for any reason.

Procedures for tendering original notes

Only you may tender your original notes in the exchange offer. To tender your original notes in the exchange offer, you must:

- complete, sign, and date the letter of transmittal which accompanied this prospectus, or a copy of it;
- have the signature on the letter of transmittal guaranteed if required by the letter of transmittal; and
- mail, fax or otherwise deliver the letter of transmittal or copy to the exchange agent;

OR

if you tender your original notes under The Depository Trust Company's book-entry transfer procedures, arrange for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") to transmit an agent's message to Bank of New York, as exchange agent, at the address set forth below under "Exchange agent" on or before the expiration date.

In addition, either:

- the exchange agent must receive certificates for outstanding original notes and the letter of transmittal;
- the exchange agent must receive a timely confirmation of a book-entry transfer of your original notes into the exchange agent's account at DTC, along with the agent's message; or
- you must comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures described below.

An agent's message is a computer-generated message transmitted to the exchange agent by DTC using its transfer procedures. To tender your original notes effectively, a tendering party must make sure that the exchange agent receives a letter of transmittal and other required documents or an agent's message before the expiration date. When you tender your outstanding original notes and we accept them, the tender will be a binding agreement between you and us in accordance with the terms and conditions in this prospectus and in the letter of transmittal.

The method of delivery to the exchange agent of original notes, letters of transmittal and all other required documents is at your election and risk. We recommend that you use an overnight or hand delivery service instead

of mail. If you do deliver by mail, we recommend that you use registered mail, properly insured, with return receipt requested. In all cases, you should allow enough time to make sure your documents reach the exchange agent before the expiration date. Do not send a letter of transmittal or your original notes directly to us. You may request your brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies, or nominees to make the exchange on your behalf.

Unless you are a registered holder who requests that the exchange notes be mailed to you and issued in your name, or unless you are an eligible institution (as defined below), you must have your signature on a letter of transmittal or a notice of withdrawal guaranteed by an eligible institution. An “eligible institution” is a firm which is a financial institution that is a member of a registered national securities exchange or a participant in the Securities Transfer Agents Medallion Program, the New York Stock Exchange Medallion Signature Program or the Stock Exchanges Medallion Program.

If the person who signs the letter of transmittal and tenders the original notes is not the registered holder of the original notes, the registered holders must endorse the original notes or sign a written instrument of transfer or exchange that is included with the original notes, with the registered holder’s signature guaranteed by an eligible institution. We will decide whether the endorsement or transfer instrument is satisfactory.

We will decide all questions about the validity, form, eligibility, acceptance, and withdrawal of tendered original notes, and such determination will be final and binding on you. We reserve the absolute right to:

- reject any and all tenders of any particular original note not properly tendered;
- refuse to accept any original note if, in our judgment or the judgment of our counsel, the acceptance would be unlawful; and
- waive any defects or irregularities or conditions of the exchange offer as to any particular original note either before or after the expiration date. This includes the right to waive the ineligibility of any holder who seeks to tender original notes in the exchange offer.

Our interpretation of the terms and conditions of the exchange offer, including the instructions in the letter of transmittal, will be final and binding on all parties. You must cure any defects or irregularities in connection with tenders of original notes as we will determine. Neither we, the exchange agent nor any other person are under any duty to notify you, nor will we, the exchange agent or any other person incur any liability for failure to notify you, of any defect or irregularity with respect to your tender of original notes.

If trustees, executors, administrators, guardians, attorneys-in-fact, officers of corporations or others acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity sign the letter of transmittal or any original notes or power of attorney on your behalf, those persons must indicate their capacity when signing, and submit to us with the letter of transmittal satisfactory evidence demonstrating their authority to act on your behalf.

By tendering original notes, you represent to us that:

- you or any other person acquiring exchange notes for your original notes in the exchange offer is acquiring them in the ordinary course of business;
- neither you nor any other person acquiring exchange notes in exchange for your original notes is engaging in or intends to engage in a distribution of the exchange notes issued in the exchange offer;
- neither you nor any other person acquiring exchange notes in exchange for your original notes has an arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of exchange notes issued in the exchange offer; and
- if you or another person acquiring exchange notes for your original notes is a broker-dealer, you will receive exchange notes for your own account, you acquired exchange notes as a result of market-making

activities or other trading activities, and you acknowledge that you will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of your exchange notes.

If you are our “affiliate,” as defined under Rule 405 of the Securities Act, you are a broker-dealer who acquired your original notes in the initial offering and not as a result of market-making or trading activities, or if you are engaged in or intend to engage in or have an arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in a distribution of exchange notes acquired in the exchange offer, you or that person:

- 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 when reselling the exchange notes.

The delivery of an agent’s message to the exchange agent on your behalf will be deemed a representation by you to the effects stated above.

By its acceptance of the exchange offer, any broker-dealer that receives exchange notes pursuant to the exchange offer agrees to notify us in writing before using the prospectus in connection with the resale or transfer of exchange notes. The broker-dealer further acknowledges and agrees that, upon receipt of notice from us of the happening of any event which makes any statement in the prospectus untrue in any material respect or which requires the making of any changes in the prospectus to make the statements in the prospectus not misleading or which may impose upon us disclosure obligations that may have a material adverse effect on us, which notice we agree to deliver promptly to the broker-dealer, the broker-dealer will suspend use of the prospectus until we have notified the broker-dealer that delivery of the prospectus may resume and have furnished to the broker-dealer copies of any amendment or supplement to the prospectus. We have agreed in the exchange and registration rights agreement that for a period of 180 days after the consummation of the exchange offer we will make this prospectus, as amended or supplemented, available to any broker-dealer.

Broker-dealers who cannot make the representations in the third bullet point of the paragraph above cannot use this exchange offer prospectus in connection with resales of exchange notes.

Acceptance of original notes for exchange; Delivery of exchange notes issued in the exchange offer

We will accept validly tendered original notes when the conditions to the exchange offer have been satisfied or we have waived them. We will have accepted your validly tendered original notes when we have given oral or written notice to the exchange agent. The exchange agent will act as agent for the tendering holders for the purpose of receiving the exchange notes from us. If we do not accept any tendered original notes for exchange because of an invalid tender or other valid reason, the exchange agent will return the certificates, without expense, to the tendering holder. If a holder has tendered original notes by book-entry transfer, we will credit the notes to an account maintained with DTC. We will return certificates or credit the account at DTC as promptly as practicable after the exchange offer terminates or expires.

Book-entry procedures for the global notes

The exchange agent will make a request to establish an account at DTC for purposes of the exchange offer within two business days after the date of this prospectus. Any financial institution that is a participant in DTC’s systems must make book-entry delivery of outstanding original notes by causing DTC to transfer those outstanding original notes into the exchange agent’s account at DTC in accordance with DTC’s Automated Tender Offer Procedures. The participant should transmit its acceptance to DTC on or before the expiration date or comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures described below. DTC will verify acceptance, execute a book-entry transfer of the tendered outstanding original notes into the exchange agent’s account at DTC and then send to the exchange agent confirmation of the book-entry transfer. The confirmation of the book-entry transfer will include an agent’s message confirming that DTC has received an express acknowledgment from the

participant that the participant has received and agrees to be bound by the letter of transmittal and that we may enforce the letter of transmittal against the participant. Delivery of exchange notes issued in the exchange offer may be effected through book-entry transfer at DTC. However, the letter of transmittal or facsimile of it or an agent's message, with any required signature guarantees and any other required documents, must:

- be transmitted to and received by the exchange agent at the address listed below under "Exchange agent" on or before the expiration date; or
- the guaranteed delivery procedures described below must be complied with.

Certificated notes

Notes in physical, certificated form will be issued and delivered to each person that DTC identifies as a beneficial owner of the related notes only if:

- DTC notifies us at any time that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for the global notes and a successor depository is not appointed within 90 days;
- DTC ceases to be registered as a clearing agency under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and a successor depository is not appointed within 90 days;
- we, at our option, notify the Trustee that we elect to cause the issuance of certificated notes; or
- certain other events provided in the indenture should occur.

Guaranteed delivery procedures

If you are a registered holder of outstanding original notes who desires to tender original notes but your original notes are not immediately available, time will not permit your original notes or other required documents to reach the exchange agent before the expiration date or the procedure for book-entry transfer cannot be completed on a timely basis, you may effect a tender if:

- you tender the original notes through an eligible institution;
- before the expiration date, the exchange agent receives from the eligible institution a notice of guaranteed delivery in the form we have provided. The notice of guaranteed delivery will state the name and address of the holder of the original notes being tendered and the amount of original notes being tendered, that the tender is being made and guarantee that within five New York Stock Exchange trading days after the notice of guaranteed delivery is signed, the certificates for all physically tendered original notes, in proper form for transfer, or a book-entry confirmation, together with a properly completed and signed letter of transmittal with any required signature guarantees, and any other documents required by the letter of transmittal will be deposited by the eligible institution with the exchange agent; and
- the certificates for all physically tendered outstanding original notes, in proper form for transfer, or a book-entry confirmation, together with a properly completed and signed letter of transmittal with any required signature guarantees, and all other documents required by the letter of transmittal, are received by the exchange agent within five New York Stock Exchange trading days after the date of execution of the notice of guaranteed delivery.

Withdrawal rights

You may withdraw your tender of original notes at any time before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

For a withdrawal to be effective, you must make sure that, before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date, the exchange agent receives a written notice of withdrawal at one of the addresses below or, if you are a participant of DTC, an electronic message using DTC's automated procedures.

A notice of withdrawal must:

- specify the name of the person that tendered the original notes to be withdrawn;
- identify the original notes to be withdrawn, including the principal amount of the original notes;
- be signed by the holder in the same manner as the original signature on the letter of transmittal by which the original notes were tendered or be accompanied by documents of transfer; and
- if you have transmitted certificates for outstanding original notes, specify the name in which the original notes are registered, if different from that of the withdrawing holder, and identify the serial numbers of the certificates.

If you have tendered original notes under the book-entry transfer procedure, your notice of withdrawal must also specify the name and number of an account at DTC to which your withdrawn original notes can be credited.

We will decide all questions as to the validity, form, and eligibility of the notices and our determination will be final and binding on all parties. Any tendered original notes that you withdraw will be not be considered to have been validly tendered. We will return any outstanding original notes that have been tendered but not exchanged, or credit them to DTC's account, as soon as practicable after withdrawal, rejection of tender or termination of the exchange offer. You may retender properly withdrawn original notes before the expiration date by following one of the procedures described above.

Conditions to the exchange offer

We are not required to accept for exchange, or to issue exchange notes in exchange for, any outstanding original notes. We may terminate or amend the exchange offer, if at any time before the acceptance of original notes:

- any federal law, statute, rule or regulation has been adopted or enacted which, in our judgment, would reasonably be expected to impair our ability to proceed with the exchange offer;
- if any stop order is threatened or in effect with respect to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part or the qualification of the indenture under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939; or
- there is a change in the current interpretation by the staff of the SEC which permits holders who have made the required representations to us to resell, offer for resale, or otherwise transfer exchange notes issued in the exchange offer without registration of the exchange notes and delivery of a prospectus, as discussed above.

These conditions are for our sole benefit and we may assert or waive them at any time and for any reason. However, the exchange offer will remain open for at least five business days following any waiver of the preceding conditions. Our failure to exercise any of the foregoing rights will not be a waiver of our rights.

Exchange agent

You should direct all signed letters of transmittal to the exchange agent, The Bank of New York. You should direct questions, requests for assistance, and requests for additional copies of this prospectus, the letter of transmittal, and the notice of guaranteed delivery to the exchange agent addressed as follows:

By Registered or Certified Mail:

The Bank of New York
Corporate Trust Operations
Reorganization Unit
101 Barclay Street – 7E
New York, NY 10286
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec

By Hand Delivery:

The Bank of New York
Corporate Trust Operations
Reorganization Unit
101 Barclay Street – Lobby Window
New York, NY 10286
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec

By Overnight Courier:

The Bank of New York
Corporate Trust Operations
Reorganization Unit
101 Barclay Street – 7E
New York, NY 10286
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec

By Facsimile (for authorized institutions only):

(212) 298-1915
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec
Confirmed by telephone:
(212) 815-5098

Delivery or fax of the letter of transmittal to an address or number other than those above is not a valid delivery of the letter of transmittal.

Fees and expenses

We will not make any payment to brokers, dealers, or others soliciting acceptances of the exchange offer except for reimbursement of mailing expenses. The expenses to be incurred in connection with the exchange offer will be paid by us. These expenses will include reasonable and customary fees and out-of-pocket expenses of the exchange agent and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by brokerage houses and other fiduciaries in forwarding materials to beneficial holders in connection with the exchange offer.

Accounting treatment

The exchange notes will be recorded at the same carrying value as the existing original notes, as reflected in our accounting records on the date of exchange. Accordingly, we will recognize no gain or loss for accounting purposes. The expenses of the exchange offer will be amortized over the term of the exchange notes.

Transfer taxes

If you tender outstanding original notes for exchange, you will not be obligated to pay any transfer taxes. However, if you instruct us to register exchange notes in the name of, or request that your original notes not tendered or not accepted in the exchange offer be returned to, a person other than you, you will be responsible for paying any transfer tax owed.

You may suffer adverse consequences if you fail to exchange outstanding exchange notes

Original notes that are not tendered or that are tendered but not accepted by us will, following completion of the exchange offer, continue to be subject to existing restrictions upon transfer under the Securities Act. Upon completion of the exchange offer, specified rights under the exchange and registration rights agreement, including registration rights and any right to additional interest, will be either limited or eliminated. Accordingly, if you do not tender your notes in the exchange offer, your ability to sell your original notes could be adversely affected. Once we have completed the exchange offer, holders who have not tendered notes will not continue to be entitled to any increase in interest rate that the indenture provides for should we not complete the exchange offer.

Holders of the exchange notes issued in the exchange offer and original notes that are not tendered in the exchange offer will vote together as a single class under the indenture.

Consequences of exchanging outstanding original notes

Holders of original notes who do not exchange their original notes for exchange notes in the exchange offer will continue to be subject to the restrictions on transfer of the original notes as set forth in the legend on the original notes as a consequence of the issuance of the original notes in accordance with exceptions from, or in transactions not subject to, the registration requirements of, the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. Original notes not exchanged in accordance with the exchange offer will continue to accrue interest at

6.875% per annum and will otherwise remain outstanding in accordance with their terms. Holders of original notes do not have any appraisal or dissenters' rights under the Delaware General Corporation Law in connection with the exchange offer. In general, the original notes may not be offered or sold unless registered under the Securities Act, except in accordance with an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. We do not currently anticipate that we will register the original notes under the Securities Act.

Based on interpretive letters issued by the staff of the SEC to third parties in unrelated transactions, we are of the view that Exchange notes issued in accordance with the exchange offer may be offered for resale, resold or otherwise transferred by the holders (other than (1) any holder which is an "affiliate" of us within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act or (2) any broker-dealer that purchases notes from us to resell in accordance with Rule 144A or any other available exemption) without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery provisions of the Securities Act, provided that the exchange notes are acquired in the ordinary course of the holders' business and the holders have no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of the exchange notes. If any holder has any arrangement or understanding regarding the distribution of the exchange notes to be acquired in accordance with the exchange offer, the holder (1) could not rely on the applicable interpretations of the staff of the SEC and (2) must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with a secondary resale transaction. A broker-dealer who holds original notes that were acquired for its own account as a result of market-making or other trading activities may be deemed to be an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act and must, therefore, deliver a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of exchange notes. Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account in exchange for original notes, where the original notes were acquired by the broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, must acknowledge in the letter of transmittal that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the exchange notes. See "Plan of distribution." We have not requested the staff of the SEC to consider the exchange offer in the context of a no-action letter, and there can be no assurance that the staff would take positions similar to those taken in the interpretive letters referred to above if we were to make a no-action request.

Shelf registration

The exchange and registration rights agreement requires that we file a shelf registration statement if:

- we are not permitted to effect the exchange offer as contemplated by this prospectus because of any change in law or applicable interpretations of the law by the staff of the SEC;
- for any other reason any original notes validly tendered are not exchanged for exchange notes within 180 days after the date of issuance of the original notes;
- any initial purchaser so requests with respect to original notes held by the initial purchasers that are not eligible to be exchanged for exchange notes in the exchange offer;
- any applicable law or interpretations do not permit any holder of original notes to participate in the exchange offer;
- any holder of original notes that participates in the exchange offer does not receive freely transferable exchange notes in exchange for tendered original notes; or
- we so elect.

Original notes will be subject to restrictions on transfer until:

- the date on which that original note has been exchanged for a freely transferable exchange note in the exchange offer;
- the date on which that original note has been effectively registered under the Securities Act and disposed of in accordance with the shelf registration statement; or
- the date on which that original note is distributed to the public pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act or may be sold under Rule 144(k) under the Securities Act.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We are making the exchange offer to satisfy our obligation under the exchange and registration rights agreement we entered into with the initial purchasers when we issued the original notes. We will not receive any cash proceeds from the issuance of the exchange notes. In consideration for issuing the exchange notes, we will receive an equal principal amount of original notes. The original notes surrendered in exchange for the exchange notes will be retired and cancelled.

The net proceeds from the issuance and sale of the original notes were approximately \$146.6 million after deducting the initial purchasers' commissions and other estimated offering expenses.

We used the net proceeds to reduce revolving credit borrowings under our credit agreement to approximately \$40.0 million and for general corporate purposes. In connection with the amendment to our credit agreement, we reduced the total commitments under our revolving credit facilities to \$225.0 million substantially simultaneously with the offering. See "Management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations — Credit agreement."

CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth our capitalization as of September 30, 2002 and September 30, 2003. This table should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the related notes thereto contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002, as amended by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 22, 2003, and contained in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2003, each of which is incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

(Dollars in thousands)	As of September 30,	
	2002	2003
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 18,040	\$ 26,392
Debt (including current portion):		
Five-year revolving credit facility ⁽¹⁾	206,000	40,000
Notes offered hereby, due 2013	—	150,000
5.5% industrial revenue bond due 2008	5,074	—
Other	530	220
Total debt	\$ 211,604	\$ 190,220
Shareholders' equity:		
Common stock	654	654
Additional paid-in capital	272,357	272,695
Less-treasury stock, at cost	(273,900)	(270,595)
Retained earnings	226,490	246,779
Deferred compensation	278	—
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(28,788)	(22,788)
Total shareholders' equity	\$ 197,091	\$ 226,745
Total capitalization	\$ 408,695	\$ 416,965

- (1) Our \$225.0 million revolving credit facility matures in November 2004. The Company elected not to renew \$57.8 million of the facility in November 2003, as it currently expects to refinance and replace its existing bank facility with a new \$175.0 million five-year facility, prior to December 31, 2003. At September 30, 2003 we had available borrowing capacity, net of letters of credit, of approximately \$165.0 million, subject to certain financial covenants.

SELECTED HISTORICAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

The following selected financial data for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002 are derived from our audited financial statements, which have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent auditors. Such information is contained in and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and accompanying notes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for such year, as amended by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 22, 2003, and other information incorporated by reference in this prospectus. Our consolidated financial statements and schedules for the years ended December 31, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001 and for earlier years were audited by Arthur Andersen LLP. Because Arthur Andersen has ceased accounting and auditing operations, we are unable to obtain a consent to incorporate their report into this prospectus. The selected financial data for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and the nine and twelve months ended September 30, 2003 was derived from our unaudited interim financial statements, which in the opinion of management include all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, which we consider necessary for a fair presentation of the financial position and results of our operations for these periods. Operating results for the nine and twelve months ended September 30, 2003 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the full year ending December 31, 2003. The nine month data should be read in conjunction with our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, as amended, for such periods. You should read the following information in conjunction with "Management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations" in this prospectus and our consolidated financial statements and related notes incorporated in this prospectus by reference.

(Dollars in thousands)	Year ended December 31,					Nine months ended September 30,		Twelve months ended September 30,
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2002	2003	2003
						(unaudited)		(unaudited)
Statement of operations date:								
Net sales ^(a)	\$ 790,672	\$ 844,079	\$ 811,178	\$ 783,698	\$ 696,195	\$ 518,555	\$ 511,568	\$ 689,208
Cost of sales	(541,506)	(569,169)	(575,516)	(573,772)	(516,724)	(385,135)	(375,305)	(506,894)
Gross profit ^(b)	249,166	274,910	235,662	209,926	179,471	133,420	136,263	182,314
Total operating expenses ^(c)	(131,846)	(144,255)	(139,669)	(152,145)	(131,937)	(98,483)	(99,473)	(132,927)
Merger and restructuring charge	—	(42,903)	(18,202)	(3,723)	—	—	—	—
Income from operations	117,320	87,752	77,791	54,058	47,534	34,937	36,790	49,387
Interest expense ^(d)	(38,228)	(44,109)	(43,649)	(33,501)	(18,072)	(15,832)	(7,230)	(9,470)
Other income (expense), net ^(e)	11,223	428	3,776	(2,130)	(5,558)	(1,822)	(3,283)	(7,019)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and cumulative effect of accounting change	90,315	44,071	37,918	18,427	23,904	17,283	26,277	32,898
Income tax expense ^(d)	(31,908)	(20,887)	(18,718)	(4,465)	(7,594)	(6,049)	(9,591)	(11,136)
Income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of accounting change	58,407	23,184	19,200	13,962	16,310	11,234	16,686	21,762
Income from discontinued operations (net of tax)	15,444	13,439	6,193	6,360	403	229	126	300
Gain (loss) on sale of discontinued operations (net of tax) ^(f)	—	—	—	41,458	(529)	(529)	—	—
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	73,851	36,623	25,393	61,780	16,184	10,934	16,812	22,062
Cumulative effect of accounting change for goodwill (net of tax)	—	—	—	—	(61,663)	(61,663)	—	—
Net income (loss) ^(g)	\$ 73,851	\$ 36,623	\$ 25,393	\$ 61,780	\$ (45,479)	\$ (50,729)	\$ 16,812	\$ 22,062
Earnings per share:								
Continuing operations								
Basic	\$ 1.37	\$ 0.54	\$ 0.45	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.50
Diluted	\$ 1.32	\$ 0.52	\$ 0.45	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.50
Net income (loss)								
Basic	\$ 1.73	\$ 0.85	\$ 0.59	\$ 1.44	\$ (1.05)	\$ (1.17)	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.51
Diluted	\$ 1.67	\$ 0.83	\$ 0.59	\$ 1.43	\$ (1.04)	\$ (1.16)	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.50
Weighted average common shares outstanding:								
Basic	42,750	43,287	43,318	42,949	43,291	43,267	43,480	43,461
Fully diluted	44,141	44,234	43,382	43,198	43,617	43,587	43,813	43,803

(Dollars in thousands)	Year ended December 31,					Nine months ended September 30,		Twelve months ended September 30,
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2002	2003	2003
						(unaudited)		(unaudited)
Balance sheet data at end of period:								
Working capital ^(h)	\$ 211,325	\$ 215,705	\$ 230,081	\$ 77,087	\$ 71,898	\$ 78,444	\$ 89,619	\$ 89,619
Total assets	967,382	966,676	984,047	729,952	588,865	605,435	635,493	635,493
Short-term debt	41,128	743	751	782	833	819	—	—
Long-term debt	532,487	567,844	539,446	241,088	194,318	210,785	190,220	190,220
Total shareholders' equity	144,076	181,878	196,371	245,271	199,262	197,091	226,745	226,745
Statement of cash flows data:								
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ 73,411	\$ 77,389	\$ 60,214	\$ 119,097	\$ 15,658	\$ 1,222	\$ 21,754	\$ 36,190
Net cash provided by (used for) investing activities	(243,795)	(66,371)	(21,485)	227,413	(10,817)	(8,749)	(9,771)	(11,839)
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities	161,941	(11,733)	(38,009)	(297,187)	(44,054)	(28,659)	(3,577)	(18,972)
Other financial data:								
EBITDA, as defined ⁽ⁱ⁾	\$ 174,232	\$ 134,911	\$ 120,176	\$ 132,807	\$ 67,363	\$ 52,082	\$ 51,970	\$ 67,251
Depreciation and amortization	30,245	33,292	32,416	33,061	25,513	19,267	18,337	24,583
Capital expenditures	39,084	24,067	23,173	20,674	14,137	10,149	9,771	13,646
Ratio of EBITDA to interest expense ^(j)	4.56x	3.06x	2.75x	3.96x	3.73x	3.29x	7.19x	7.10x
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges ^(k)	3.3x	2.0x	1.8x	1.5x	2.2x	2.0x	4.2x	4.1x

- (a) Net sales decreased in 2001 and 2002 primarily due to decreased North American OEM freight car and locomotive component sales volumes and lower locomotive overhauls, all within the Freight Group.
- (b) In 2000, includes charges for the merger and restructuring plan of \$2.0 million and a legal settlement of \$2.0 million.
- (c) In 2001, includes charges for asset writedowns of \$9.3 million consisting primarily of an asset impairment related to the locomotive lease fleet of \$5.2 million, a writeoff of \$1.8 million of an investment in Argentina and a \$1.5 million writedown of a facility to its estimated realizable value, and severance costs of \$1.7 million. Goodwill amortization was \$6.9 million, \$7.0 million and \$0.0 million in 2000, 2001 and 2002 respectively.
- (d) In April 2002, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued SFAS No. 145, "Rescission of FASB Statements No. 4, 44, and 64, Amendment of FASB Statement No. 13 and Technical Corrections," which, among other things, eliminates the requirement to report certain extinguishments of debt as extraordinary items. As a result, gains and losses from extinguishment of debt should be classified as extraordinary items only if they meet the criteria of Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 30, "Reporting the Results of Operations-Reporting the Effects of Disposal of a Segment of a Business, and Extraordinary, Unusual and Infrequently Occurring Events and Transactions." The provisions of this Statement were required to be adopted by the Company on January 1, 2003. In connection with this offering, the Company adopted SFAS No. 145 effective January 1, 2003. Accordingly, the loss on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$5.3 million (net of tax provision of approximately \$2.0 million) in 1998, \$1.3 million (net of tax provision of approximately \$800,000) in 1999 and \$1.2 million (net of tax provision of approximately \$648,000) in 2002 all previously recorded as extraordinary items, have been reclassified as interest and income tax expense in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations and in other financial information.
- (e) In 2000, includes a gain on asset sales of \$4.4 million. In 2001, includes a gain on asset sales of \$685,000.
- (f) Reflects the gain on the sale of certain assets to GE Transportation Systems in 2001 and the writedown of other assets the company decided to exit.
- (g) Includes the items noted above, as well as the following: In 2000, a writeoff of \$5.1 million for a deferred tax asset relating to the termination of the Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP). In 2001, a \$2.0 million tax benefit for research and development tax credits. In 2002, a \$61.7 million, net of tax, cumulative effect of accounting change for goodwill (which occurred in the quarter ended March 31, 2002).
- (h) Working capital is defined as net accounts receivable plus net inventory current plus current assets less total payables and accruals (which include trade accounts payable, advance billings, accrued payroll, warranty accruals and other accruals).
- (i) "EBITDA" is defined as net income plus income taxes, interest expense, depreciation and amortization and cumulative effect of accounting change. EBITDA is not a calculation based upon generally accepted accounting principles. The amounts included in the EBITDA calculation, however, are derived from amounts included in the historical statements of income data. In addition, EBITDA should not be considered as an alternative to net income or operating income as an indicator of our operating performance, or as an alternative to operating cash flows as a measure of liquidity. We have reported EBITDA because we regularly review EBITDA as a measure of our ability to incur and service debt. In addition, we believe our debt holders utilize and analyze our EBITDA for similar purposes. We also believe EBITDA assists investors in comparing a company's performance on a consistent basis without regard to depreciation and amortization, which can vary significantly depending upon many factors. However, the EBITDA measure presented in this document may not always be comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies due to differences in the components of the calculation.

EBITDA is derived from the statements of income as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	Year ended December 31,					Nine months ended September 30,		Twelve months ended September 30,
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2002	2003	2003
						(unaudited)		(unaudited)
Net income (loss)	\$ 73,851	\$ 36,623	\$ 25,393	\$ 61,780	\$ (45,479)	\$ (50,729)	\$ 16,812	\$ 22,062
Cumulative effect of accounting change for goodwill, net of tax	—	—	—	—	61,663	61,663	—	—
Income tax expense	31,908	20,887	18,718	4,465	7,594	6,049	9,591	11,136
Interest expense	38,228	44,109	43,649	33,501	18,072	15,832	7,230	9,470
Depreciation and amortization	30,245	33,292	32,416	33,061	25,513	19,267	18,337	24,583
EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	\$ 174,232	\$ 134,911	\$ 120,176	\$ 132,807	\$ 67,363	52,082	51,970	67,251

(1) EBITDA, as presented above, includes the following items:

(Dollars in thousands)	Year ended December 31,					Nine months ended September 30,		Twelve months ended September 30,
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2002	2003	2003
						(unaudited)		(unaudited)
Income from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$ 15,444	\$ 13,439	\$ 6,193	\$ 6,360	\$ 403	\$ 229	\$ 126	\$ 300
Gain (loss) on sale of discontinued operations, net of tax	—	—	—	41,458	(529)	(529)	—	—
Other income (expense), net	11,223	428	3,776	(2,130)	(5,558)	(1,822)	(3,283)	(7,019)
	\$ 26,667	\$ 13,867	\$ 9,969	\$ 45,688	\$ (5,684)	\$ (2,122)	\$ (3,157)	\$ (6,719)

(j) Our interest expense increased by \$6.1 million on an annualized basis after we issued the original notes described in this prospectus.

(k) For purpose of computing this ratio, earnings generally consist of income from continuing operations before income taxes and fixed charges excluding capitalized interest. Fixed charges consist of interest expense, the portion of rental expense considered representative of the interest factor and capitalized interest.

As described in note (j) above, our interest expense increased after we issued the original notes described in this prospectus.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our audited historical consolidated financial statements and the notes accompanying those statements, which are incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

Results of operations

The following table sets forth our consolidated statements of operations for the years indicated.

(Dollars in thousands)	Year ended December 31,			Nine months ended September 30,	
	2000	2001	2002	2002	2003
				(unaudited)	
Net sales ^(a)	\$ 811,178	\$ 783,698	\$ 696,195	\$ 518,555	\$ 511,568
Cost of sales	(575,516)	(573,772)	(516,724)	(385,135)	(375,305)
Gross profit ^(b)	235,662	209,926	179,471	133,420	136,263
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(94,757)	(96,723)	(93,023)	(69,124)	(72,084)
Merger and restructuring charge	(18,202)	(3,723)	—	—	—
Engineering expenses	(32,297)	(33,156)	(33,592)	(25,113)	(24,260)
Asset writedowns	—	(9,253)	—	—	—
Amortization expense	(12,615)	(13,013)	(5,322)	(4,246)	(3,129)
Total operating expenses	(157,871)	(155,868)	(131,937)	(98,483)	(99,473)
Income from operations	77,791	54,058	47,534	34,937	36,790
Interest expense ^(c)	(43,649)	(33,501)	(18,072)	(15,832)	(7,230)
Other income (expense), net ^(d)	3,776	(2,130)	(5,558)	(1,822)	(3,283)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and cumulative effect of accounting change	37,918	18,427	23,904	17,283	26,277
Income tax expense ^(d)	(18,718)	(4,465)	(7,594)	(6,049)	(9,591)
Income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of accounting change	19,200	13,962	16,310	11,234	16,686
Discontinued operations					
Income from discontinued operations (net of tax)	6,193	6,360	403	229	126
Gain (loss) on sale of discontinued operations (net of tax) ^(e)	—	41,458	(529)	(529)	—
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	25,393	61,780	16,184	10,934	16,812
Cumulative effect of accounting change for goodwill (net of tax)	—	—	(61,663)	(61,663)	—
Net income (loss) ^(f)	\$ 25,393	\$ 61,780	\$ (45,479)	\$ (50,729)	\$ 16,812

- (a) Net sales decreased in 2001 and 2002 primarily due to decreased North American OEM freight car and locomotive component sales volumes and lower locomotive overhauls, all within the Freight Group.
- (b) In 2000, includes charges for the merger and restructuring plan of \$2.0 million and a legal settlement of \$2.0 million.
- (c) In April 2002, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued SFAS No. 145, "Rescission of FASB Statements No. 4, 44 and 64, Amendment of FASB Statement No. 13 and Technical Corrections," which, among other things, eliminates the requirement to report certain extinguishments of debt as

extraordinary items. As a result, gains and losses from extinguishment of debt should be classified as extraordinary items only if they meet the criteria of Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 30, "Reporting the Results of Operations — Reporting the Effects of Disposal of a Segment of a Business, and Extraordinary, Unusual and Infrequently Occurring Events and Transactions." The provisions of this Statement were required to be adopted by the Company on January 1, 2003. In connection with this offering, the Company adopted SFAS No. 145 effective January 1, 2003. Accordingly, the loss on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$1.2 million (net of tax provision of approximately \$648,000) previously recorded as an extraordinary item, has been reclassified as interest and income tax expense in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations and in other financial information.

- (d) In 2000, includes a gain on asset sales of \$4.4 million. In 2001, includes a gain on asset sales of \$685,000.
- (e) Reflects the gain on the sale of certain assets to GE Transportation Systems in 2001 and the writedown of other assets the company decided to exit.
- (f) Includes the items noted above, as well as the following: In 2000, a writeoff of \$5.1 million for a deferred tax asset relating to the termination of the Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP). In 2001, a \$2.0 million tax benefit for research and development tax credits. In 2002, a \$61.7 million, net of tax, cumulative effect of accounting change for goodwill (which occurred in the quarter ended March 31, 2002).

Nine months ended September 30, 2003 compared to nine months ended September 30, 2002.

Summary results of operations:

(Dollars in thousands)	Nine months ended September 30,		
	2002	2003	Percent change
	(unaudited)		
Net sales	\$ 518,555	\$ 511,568	(1.3)%
Income from operations	34,937	36,790	5.3%
Net (loss) income	(50,729)	16,812	N/A

A number of events have occurred over the comparative period that impacted our results of operations and financial condition including:

- In 2002, we completed fair value assessments of goodwill and wrote down the carrying value of goodwill by \$90.0 million pre-tax (\$83.2 million for the freight group and \$6.8 million for the transit group) in accordance with the adoption of SFAS No. 142 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets."

Net sales. The following table sets forth our net sales by business segment:

(Dollars in thousands)	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2002	2003
	(unaudited)	
Freight Group	\$ 322,454	\$ 375,624
Transit Group	196,101	135,944
Net Sales	\$ 518,555	\$ 511,568

Net sales for the first nine months of 2003 decreased \$7.0 million, or 1.3%, as compared to the same period in 2002. The increased sales in the Freight Group were offset by lower sales in the Transit Group. The Freight Group's increased sales reflected higher sales of components for new freight cars and sales of commuter locomotives and also higher aftermarket sales. Industry deliveries of new freight cars for the first nine months increased to 22,230 units as compared to 12,935 in the same period in 2002. The Transit Group's decreased sales were due to the completion of a contract to supply components for New York City subway cars in 2002 and lower aftermarket sales.

Gross profit. Gross profit increased to \$136.3 million in the first nine months of 2003 compared to \$133.4 million in the same period in 2002. Gross profit is dependent on a number of factors including pricing, sales volume and product mix. Gross profit, as a percentage of sales, was 26.6% compared to 25.7% in the same period in 2002. The increase in gross profit percentage is primarily due to operating efficiencies and favorable product mix.

Operating expenses. The following table sets forth our operating expenses for the period:

(Dollars in thousands)	Nine months ended September 30,		
	2002	2003	Percent change
	(unaudited)		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	69,124	72,084	4.3%
Engineering expenses	25,113	24,260	(3.4)%
Amortization expense	4,246	3,129	(26.3)%
Total operating expense	98,483	99,473	1.0%

Operating expenses increased by approximately \$1.0 million in the first nine months of 2003 as compared to the same period in 2002. Selling, general and administrative expenses, increased primarily as a result of higher insurance costs, both medical and general, while engineering expenses decreased as we capitalized design engineering costs associated with a significant new New York City transit order. Amortization expenses decreased due to certain intangible assets having been fully amortized.

Operating income. Operating income totaled \$36.8 million (or 7.2% of sales) in the first nine months of 2003 compared with \$34.9 million (or 6.7% of sales) in the same period in 2002. Higher operating income resulted from increased margins in the first nine months of 2003.

Interest expense. Interest expense decreased 54.3% in the first nine months of 2003 as compared to the same period in 2002 primarily due to a substantial decrease in debt and interest rates. In July 2002, we repaid \$175.0 million of senior notes through cash on hand and borrowings at lower rates under our revolving credit agreement.

Income taxes. The effective income tax rate was 36.5% in the third quarter of 2003 and 35% in the third quarter of 2002. The increase in the effective tax rate was due to higher effective state tax rates.

Net income. Net income for the first nine months of 2003 increased \$67.5 million, compared with the same period in 2002. Net income in the first nine months of 2002 included a \$61.7 million, net of tax, write off of goodwill. Income before the cumulative effect of an accounting change increased \$5.9 million, compared with the same period in 2002. The increase was primarily due to improved margins and lower interest expense.

Fiscal year 2002 compared to fiscal year 2001

Summary results of operations:

(Dollars in thousands)	Year ended December 31,		
	2001	2002	Percent change
Net sales	\$ 783,698	\$ 696,195	(11.2)%
Income from operations	54,058	47,534	(1.2)%
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	61,780	16,184	(73.8)%
Net income	61,780	(45,479)	NA

A number of events occurred over the comparative period that impacted our results of operations and financial condition including:

- In 2002, we completed fair value assessments of goodwill and wrote down the carrying value of goodwill by \$90.0 million pre-tax (\$83.2 million for the freight group and \$6.8 million for the transit group) in accordance with the adoption of SFAS No. 14.2 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets."
- In July 2002, we redeemed at par (face) \$175.0 million of the 9.375% senior notes due in 2005 through the use of cash on hand and additional borrowings under the credit agreement. This redemption resulted in a non-cash expense of \$1.9 million, relating to a write-off of deferred debt issuance costs which was recorded as interest expense.
- In November 2001, we sold certain assets to GE Transportation Systems for \$238.0 million in cash. The assets sold primarily included locomotive aftermarket products and services for which we were not the OEM. The sale resulted in an after-tax gain of \$48.7 million.
- In the fourth quarter of 2001, we decided to exit certain businesses. The net assets of these businesses were written down to their estimated realizable value. This resulted in a pre-tax charge of \$9.3 million and an after-tax charge of \$7.2 million.

Net sales. The following table sets forth our net sales by business segment:

(Dollars in thousands)	Year ended December 31,		
	2001	2002	Percent change
	(unaudited)		
Freight Group	\$ 490,261	\$ 443,443	(9.6)%
Transit Group	293,437	252,752	(13.9)%
Net Sales	\$ 783,698	\$ 696,195	(11.2)%

Net sales for 2002 decreased \$87.5 million or 11.2% to \$696.2 million as compared to the prior period. Both the Freight Group and Transit Group had lower sales. The Freight Group's decreased sales reflected lower sales of components for new freight cars and locomotives. In 2002, industry deliveries of new freight cars decreased to 17,736 units as compared to 34,260 in the same period in 2001. In 2002, industry deliveries of new locomotives decreased to 969 as compared to 1,085 in the same period in 2001. The Transit Group's decreased sales were primarily due to the completion of a supply contract for New York City subway cars in the third quarter of 2002.

Gross profit. Gross profit decreased to \$179.5 million (or 25.8% of sales) in 2002 compared to \$209.9 million (or 26.8% of sales) in the same period of 2001. Gross profit is dependent on a number of factors including pricing, sales volume and product mix. The decrease in gross profit and margin is largely attributed to the effect of a decrease in sales volumes (approximately \$35.0 million in gross profit). The resulting favorable balance is principally a result of cost reductions.

Operating expenses. The following table sets forth our operating expenses by business segment:

(Dollars in thousands)	Year ended December 31,		
	2001	2002	Percent change
Selling, general and administrative expense	\$ 96,723	\$ 93,023	(3.8)%
Merger and restructuring charges	3,723	—	NA
Engineering expenses	33,156	33,592	1.3%
Asset writedowns	9,253	—	NA
Amortization expense	13,013	5,322	(59.1)%
Total operating expense	\$ 155,868	\$ 131,937	(15.4)%

Operating expenses improved by \$23.9 million in 2002 as compared to 2001. Included in operating expenses for 2001 were goodwill amortization (due to the required adoption of Financial Accounting Standard 142) of \$7.0 million, \$9.3 million for asset writedowns, \$3.7 million for merger and restructuring charges and \$1.7 million for severance costs in 2001. The remaining decrease in operating expenses was due to a decrease in selling, general and administrative expenses.

Income from operations. Income from operations totaled \$47.5 million in 2002 compared with \$54.1 million in 2001. Lower operating income resulted from decreased sales volumes in 2002.

Interest expense. Interest expense decreased 46.1 % in 2002 as compared to 2001, primarily due to a decrease in debt and interest rates. Debt, net of cash and equivalents, was \$175.9 million at December 31, 2002 versus \$187.9 million at the end of 2001.

Other income (expense). The Company recorded foreign exchange losses of \$1.2 million and \$1.7 million, respectively, in 2002 and 2001 due to the continued strength of the dollar. Also in 2002, the Company wrote down a facility held for sale, resulting in a \$2.0 million charge. These items were reported as other income (expense).

Income taxes. The effective income tax rate for 2002 was 31.8% as compared to 24.2% in 2001. We expect the ongoing rate to be approximately 35-36%. The 2002 rate includes the effect of research and development and foreign tax credits (\$772,000). The 2001 rate includes the effect of substantial research and development tax credits (\$2.0 million).

Net income. Net income decreased \$107.3 million, or 173.6%, compared with the same period the prior year. Income before the accounting change decreased \$45.6 million, or 74%, compared with the same period the prior year.

Fiscal year 2001 compared to fiscal year 2000

Summary results of operations:

<u>(Dollars in thousands)</u>	<u>Year ended December 31,</u>		
	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>Percent change</u>
Net sales	\$ 811,178	\$ 783,698	(3.4)%
Income from operations	77,791	54,058	(30.5)%
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	25,393	61,780	143.0%
Net income	25,393	61,780	143.0%

A number of events occurred over the comparative period that impacted our results of operations and financial condition including:

- In 2001, we completed a merger and restructuring plan with charges totaling \$71 million pre-tax, with approximately \$2.0 million of the charge expensed in 2001 and \$20 million in 2000. The plan involved the elimination of duplicate facilities and excess capacity, operational realignment and related workforce reductions.
- In the fourth quarter of 2001, we decided to exist certain business. These businesses were written down to their estimated realizable value. This resulted in a pre-tax charge of \$9.3 million and an after-tax charge of \$7.2 million.
- In November 2001, we sold certain assets to GE Transportation Systems for \$238.0 million in cash. The assets sold primarily included locomotive aftermarket products and services for which we were not the OEM. The sale resulted in an after-tax gain of \$48.7 million.

Net sales. The following table sets forth the Company's net sales by business segment:

(Dollars in thousands)	Year ended December 31,		
	2000	2001	Percent change
Freight Group	\$ 532,889	\$ 490,261	(8.0)%
Transit Group	278,289	293,437	5.4%
Net Sales	\$ 811,178	\$ 783,698	(3.4)%

Net sales decreased \$27.5 million or 3.4% to \$783.7 million in 2001 from \$811.2 million in 2000. This overall decrease was primarily attributable to decreased North American OEM freight car and locomotive component sales volumes and lower locomotive overhauls, all within the Freight Group. Sales volumes within the freight Group reflected a softening OEM market for freight cars, with 34,260 freight cars delivered in 2001 compared to 55,791 in 2000. Partially offsetting these decreases were increases in Transit Group sales, due to increased shipments under the contract with the Metropolitan Transit Authority of New York.

Gross profit. Gross profit decreased to \$209.9 million (or 26.8% of sales) in 2001 compared to \$235.7 million (or 29.1% of sales) in the same period of 2000. Gross margin is dependent on a number of factors including pricing, sales volume and product mix. The decrease in gross profit and margin is largely attributed to the effect of a decrease in sales volumes (approximately \$11.0 million in gross profit). The balance is principally a result of changes to the sales mix primarily from a drop in the Freight Group of 8% offset by an increase in the Transit Group of 5% and overall pricing pressures in many product lines.

Operating expenses. The following table sets forth our operating expenses for the period:

(Dollars in thousands)	Year ended December 31,		
	2000	2001	Percent change
Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$ 94,757	\$ 96,723	2.1%
Merger and restructuring charges	18,202	3,723	(79.5)%
Engineering expenses	32,297	33,156	2.7%
Asset writedowns	—	9,253	NA
Amortization expense	12,615	13,013	3.2%
Total operating expense	\$ 157,871	155,868	(1.3)%

Total operating expenses as a percentage of net sales were 19.9% in 2001 as compared to 19.5% in 2000. Included in operating expenses were \$9.3 million for asset writedowns, \$3.7 million for merger and restructuring charges and \$1.7 million for severance costs in 2001 and \$18.2 million for 2000 merger and restructuring charges.

Income from operations. Income from operations totaled \$54.1 million in 2001 compared with \$77.8 million in 2000. Lower adjusted operating income resulted from decreased sales volumes in the Freight Group and changes in product mix.

Interest expense. Interest expense decreased 23.2% to \$33.5 million in 2001 from \$43.6 million in 2000. Debt, net of cash and equivalents, was \$187.9 million at December 31, 2001 versus \$534.1 million at the end of 2000. The decrease in interest expense is primarily due to the lower debt amount as a result of working capital management and the sale proceeds from GETS received in November 2001 (with payment of taxes on the gain deferred to 2002).

Other income (expense). In 2001, the Company recorded foreign exchange losses of \$1.7 million. In February 2000, the Company disposed of its transit electrification product line for \$5.5 million in cash and recognized a gain of \$4.4 million. These items were reported as other income (expense).

Income taxes. The effective income tax rate for 2001 was 24.2% as compared to 49.4% in 2000. The 2001 rate includes the effect of substantial research and development tax credits (\$2.0 million). The 2000 rate includes the effect of the one-time, non-cash write-off of the deferred tax asset (\$5.1 million) relating to the termination of the 1995 established ESOP.

Net income. Net income and income before the accounting change in 2001 each increased \$36.4 million, or 143%, compared with the same period in 2000. Net income increased in 2001 primarily as a result of the asset sale to GETS which resulted in an after-tax gain of \$48.7 million.

Liquidity and capital resources

Liquidity is provided primarily by operating cash flow and borrowings under our revolving credit facilities with a consortium of commercial banks. The following is a summary of selected cash flow information and other relevant data.

(Dollars in thousands)	Year ended December 31,		
	2000	2001	2002
Cash provided (used) by:			
Operating activities	\$ 60,214	\$ 119,097	\$ 15,658
Investing activities	(21,485)	227,413	(10,817)
Financing activities	(38,009)	(297,187)	(44,054)
EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	120,176	132,807	67,363

(1) See footnote (i) to "Selected consolidated financial data" for a reconciliation of EBITDA to net income.

Cash provided by operating activities in 2002 was \$15.7 million as compared to \$119.1 million in 2001. Working capital decreased \$6.0 million in 2002, due to an inventory decrease of \$16.0 million offset by a payables and accruals decrease of \$10.0 million. In 2001, working capital decreased significantly primarily due to a decrease in accounts receivable and inventory. During 2002 and 2001, cash outlays for merger and restructuring activities were approximately \$2.5 million and \$6.8 million, respectively, and are reported as a reduction to cash provided by operating activities. Also, in 2002, \$30.0 million was paid in taxes related to the gain on the sale of locomotive aftermarket assets to GE Transportation Systems in 2001.

Cash used for investing activities was \$10.8 million versus cash generated by investing activities of \$227.4 million in 2001. Included in 2001 was \$238 million for the sale of businesses to GETS. In 2002, 2001 and 2000, we used \$1.7 million, \$3.7 million and \$650,000, respectively, for certain business acquisitions. Capital expenditures in 2002, 2001 and 2000 for continuing operations were \$14.1 million, \$20.7 million and \$23.2 million, respectively. The majority of capital expenditures for these periods relates to upgrades to existing equipment and replacement of existing equipment.

Cash used for financing activities was \$44.1 million in 2002 versus \$297.2 million in 2001. During 2002, we reduced long-term debt by \$45.9 million. During 2001, we reduced long-term debt by \$298.3 million. We repaid \$175.0 million of senior notes in the third quarter of 2002 to take advantage of lower interest rates on our revolving credit agreement. Historically, we have financed the purchase of businesses utilizing cash flow generated from operations and amounts available under our credit agreement.

The following table sets forth our outstanding indebtedness at September 30, 2003 and 2002. The revolving credit note and other term loan interest rates are variable and dependent on market conditions.

(Dollars in thousands)	As of September 30,	
	2002	2003
Five-year revolving credit facility	\$ 206,000	\$ 40,000
364-day revolving credit facility	—	—
6.875% senior notes due 2013	—	150,000
5.5% industrial revenue bond due 2008	5,074	—
Other	530	220
Total	\$ 211,604	\$ 190,220
Less-current portion	819	—
Long-term portion	\$ 210,785	\$ 190,220

We believe, based on current levels of operations and forecasted earnings, cash flow and liquidity will be sufficient to fund our working capital and capital equipment needs as well as to meet our debt service requirements. If our sources of funds become inadequate to satisfy our cash requirements, we may need to refinance our existing debt or obtain additional financing. There is no assurance that such new financing alternatives would be available, and, in any case, such new financing, if available, would be expected to be more costly and burdensome than the debt agreements currently in place.

The following table summarizes our contractual obligations and commercial commitments at September 30, 2003:

(Dollars in thousands)	Cash payments due by period				
	Total	Less than 1 year	1-3 years	4-5 years	After 5 years
Total debt	\$ 194,326	—	\$ 44,288	\$ 38	\$ 150,000
Capital lease obligations	251	251	—	—	—
Operating leases	35,610	5,621	9,433	6,630	13,926
Total contractual cash obligations	230,187	5,872	53,721	6,668	163,926

Credit agreement

At September 30, 2003 our current unsecured senior credit agreement provided a \$167.2 million five-year revolving credit facility expiring in November 2004 and a 364-day \$57.8 million convertible revolving credit facility maturing in November 2004. At September 30, 2003, we had total outstanding borrowings under the five-year revolving credit facility of \$40 million. We used the net proceeds from the offering, approximately \$146.6 million, to reduce our outstanding borrowings under our revolving credit facilities.

Under the credit agreement, we may elect a base rate, an interest rate based on the London Interbank Offered Rates of Interest ("LIBOR"), a cost of funds rate and a bid rate. The credit agreement limits our ability to declare or pay cash dividends and prohibits us from declaring or making other distributions, subject to certain exceptions. The credit agreement contains various other covenants and restrictions including the following limitations: incurrence of additional indebtedness; mergers, consolidations and sales of assets and acquisitions; additional liens; sale and leasebacks; permissible investments, loans and advances; certain debt payments; capital expenditures; and imposes a minimum interest expense coverage ratio and a maximum debt to cash flow ratio. The credit agreement contains customary events of default, including payment defaults, failure of representations

or warranties to be true in any material respect, covenant defaults, defaults with respect to our other indebtedness, bankruptcy, certain judgments against us, ERISA defaults and “change of control” of the Company.

Credit agreement borrowings bear variable interest rates indexed to the indexes described above. The maximum credit agreement borrowings, average credit agreement borrowings and weighted-average contractual interest rate on credit agreement borrowings was \$217.7 million, \$133.7 million and 3.31%, respectively, for 2002. To reduce the impact of interest rate changes on a portion of this variable-rate debt, we entered into interest rate swaps which effectively convert a portion of the debt from variable to fixed-rate borrowings during the term of the swap contracts. In February 2003, we entered into swap contracts with respect to \$40.0 million of the debt which effectively changed our interest rate with respect to that portion to approximately 4.0%. We are exposed to credit risk in the event of nonperformance by the counterparties. However, since only the cash interest payments are exchanged, exposure is significantly less than the notional amount. The counterparties are large financial institutions and we do not anticipate nonperformance.

We are currently negotiating the refinancing of our credit facility. We expect that our new credit facility will be a \$175.0 million senior unsecured revolving credit facility with a subfacility for letters of credit of \$75.0 million and a swingline subfacility of \$10.0 million. We have the option to increase the total amount of the facility to \$225.0 million with the consent of the agent. The agreement will limit our ability to declare or pay cash dividends and prohibit us from declaring or making other distributions, subject to certain exceptions. The agreement will contain various other covenants and restrictions similar to our current credit agreement and customary for an unsecured facility.

Industrial Revenue Bond

In July 1998, one of our subsidiaries entered into a 10-year \$7.5 million debt obligation that bears an interest rate of 5.5% and is payable in monthly principal and interest installments. The proceeds of the bond provided financing for the purchase of a building used in our operations. The entire amount outstanding was repaid in September 2003.

Effects of inflation

General price inflation has not had a material impact on our results of operations. Some of our labor contracts contain negotiated salary and benefit increases and others contain cost of living adjustment clauses, which would cause our cost to automatically increase if inflation were to become significant.

Critical accounting policies

The preparation of the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions regarding uncertainties that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses. Areas of uncertainty that require judgments, estimates and assumptions include the accounting for derivatives, environmental matters, the testing of goodwill and other intangibles for impairment, proceeds on assets to be sold, pensions and other postretirement benefits, and tax matters. Management uses historical experience and all available information to make these judgments and estimates, and actual results will inevitably differ from those estimates and assumptions that are used to prepare our financial statements at any given time. Despite these inherent limitations, management believes that Management’s discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations and the financial statements and related footnotes provide a meaningful and fair perspective of the Company. A discussion of the judgments and uncertainties associated with accounting for derivatives and environmental matters can be found in the “Notes to consolidated financial statements” included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, as amended, for the year ended December 31, 2002.

A summary of our significant accounting policies is included in Note 2 in the “Notes to consolidated financial statements” included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, as amended, for the year ended December 31, 2002. Management believes that the application of these policies on a consistent basis enables us to provide the users of the financial statements with useful and reliable information about our operating results and financial condition.

In 2002, we adopted the new standard of accounting for goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives. The cumulative effect adjustment recognized on January 1, 2002, upon adoption of the new standard, was a charge of \$61.7 million (after tax). Also in 2002, amortization ceased for goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives. Total amortization expense recognized was \$5.3 million in 2002, \$13.0 million in 2001 and \$12.6 million in 2000. Additionally, goodwill and indefinite-lived intangibles are required to be tested for impairment at least annually. The evaluation of impairment involves comparing the current fair value of the business to the recorded value (including goodwill). We use a combination of a guideline public company market approach and a discounted cash flow model (“DCF model”) to determine the current fair value of the business. A number of significant assumptions and estimates are involved in the application of the DCF model to forecasted operating cash flows, including markets and market share, sales volume and pricing, costs to produce and working capital changes. Management considers historical experience and all available information at the time the fair values of its business are estimated. However, actual fair values that could be realized in an actual transaction may differ from those used to evaluate the impairment of goodwill.

Other areas of significant judgments and estimates include the liabilities and expenses for pensions and other postretirement benefits. These amounts are determined using actuarial methodologies and incorporate significant assumptions, including the rate used to discount the future estimated liability, the long-term rate of return on plan assets and several assumptions relating to the employee workforce (salary increases, medical costs, retirement age and mortality). The rate used to discount future estimated liabilities is determined considering the rates available at year-end on debt instruments that could be used to settle the obligations of the plan. The long-term rate of return is estimated by considering historical returns and expected returns on current and projected asset allocations and is generally applied to a five-year average market value of assets.

The recent declines in equity markets and interest rates have had a negative impact on our pension plan liability and fair value of plan assets. As a result, the accumulated benefit obligation exceeded the fair value of plan assets at the end of 2002, which resulted in a \$7.1 million, net of tax, charge to other comprehensive loss in the fourth quarter of 2002.

As a global company, we record an estimated liability or benefit for income and other taxes based on what we determine will likely be paid in various tax jurisdictions in which we operate. Management uses its best judgment in the determination of these amounts. However, the liabilities ultimately realized and paid are dependent on various matters including the resolution of the tax audits in the various affected tax jurisdictions and may differ from the amounts recorded. An adjustment to the estimated liability would be recorded through income in the period in which it becomes probable that the amount of the actual liability differs from the recorded amount. Management does not believe that such a charge would be material.

INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

Our operating results are strongly influenced by the level of activity, financial condition and capital spending plans of the global railroad industry, which in large part is driven by the overall health and growth prospects of the national and local economies in the markets we serve. In global freight rail markets, rail traffic, in terms of revenue ton-miles and carloadings, is a key factor underlying the demand for our products and services. Additionally, railroads continuously seek to increase the efficiency and productivity of their rail operations to improve profitability, which results in the purchase of new, more efficient equipment. In global transit markets, government investment in public transportation and ridership levels are key factors underlying the demand for our products and services.

Demand for North American locomotive and freight car products is driven by a number of factors, including:

- *Rail traffic revenue ton-miles and carloadings.* In 2002, revenue ton-miles (defined as weight times distance traveled by Class I railroads) increased approximately 1% and carloadings decreased approximately 1% compared to 2001, which we believe reflects North America's relatively slow economic growth during the year. In response to the slow economy and little growth in rail traffic, we believe railroads deferred maintenance on some of the existing locomotives and freight cars in their fleets, which reduced our aftermarket sales. As the economy and rail traffic strengthen, we expect that railroads may return to a more typical pattern of maintenance spending.
- *OEM demand for new locomotives.* Currently, the active locomotive fleet in the North American market numbers approximately 20,000 units. The average number of new locomotives delivered in each of the past 10 years was about 1,000 annually. In 2002, deliveries of new, heavy-haul locomotives were 969, down from 1,085 in 2001. In 2003, we expect the industry to deliver about 700 new locomotives. Our expectation is that the locomotive market will increase to about 1,000 units in 2004 as railroads opt to purchase new units before stricter U.S. federal government emissions standards take effect in January 2005.
- *OEM demand for new freight cars.* Currently, the active freight car fleet in North America numbers approximately 1.3 million. The average number of new freight cars delivered in each of the past 10 years was about 50,000 annually. In 2002, new freight car deliveries were substantially below the 10-year average for the second consecutive year (17,736, compared to 34,260 in 2001), which we believe was due to abnormally high purchases in 1998-99 (about 75,000 units each year). Year-to-date results indicate that about 30,000 new cars will be delivered this year, well below average and below the 40,000 units we view as a normal replacement demand, first quarter results indicate that the freight car market may be somewhat stronger than we initially expected. It is our belief that the delivery rate for the next several years may increase, as railroads and leasing companies recognize the benefit of new technology and specialty cars designed to increase and maintain safety and efficiency.

Demand for North American transit products is driven by a number of factors, including:

- *Replacement, building and/or expansion programs of transit authorities.* These programs are funded in part by national and local government programs. Currently, the U.S. federal government is considering new spending legislation, known as SAFETEA, that would provide federal funding for transit projects for the fiscal years 2004-09. Although the amount of future funding is yet to be finalized, the current legislation calls for a funding level of about \$7.2 billion in fiscal 2004 (about the same as in fiscal year 2003), with annual increases of about 2% per year through fiscal 2009. The amount of funding in the legislation will have an impact on the capital spending plans of transit authorities. In recent years, strong U.S. federal funding for transit projects has served as a counter-cyclical balance during the downturn in our freight rail markets.

The average annual number of new transit car deliveries over the past 10 years is about 600 units. Due to strong funding levels under previous federal legislation, transit authorities, particularly in New York

City, have increased purchases of new vehicles in recent years. In 2002, for example, 1,230 new transit cars were delivered. In 2003, we expect transit car deliveries to be about 700 units, reflecting the completion of a major order by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority of New York, which owns about 40% of the transit vehicles in North America. In late 2002, New York City placed another major order for new subway cars, with deliveries expected to begin in 2006. As a result, management expects the annual transit vehicle delivery rate to be in the range of 500-800 units for the next several years.

- *Ridership levels.* Ridership on U.S. transit vehicles increased steadily from 1995-2001. In 2002, ridership decreased for the first time since 1995 due to higher unemployment levels in the U.S. The lower ridership level, as well as government funding cutbacks, negatively impacted aftermarket spending in 2002 and that trend has continued in 2003. We believe, however, that the current underspending will create a pent-up demand for maintenance and service work if ridership and funding levels increase in future years.

Our Company

We are one of the largest providers in North America of value-added, technology-based equipment and services for the global rail industry. We believe we hold a greater than 50% market share in North America for our primary braking-related equipment and a number 1 or number 2 position in North America for most of our other product lines. Our highly engineered products, which are intended to enhance safety, improve productivity and reduce maintenance costs for customers, can be found on virtually all U.S. locomotives, freight cars and passenger transit vehicles. Our primary products and services are essential in the safe and efficient operation of freight rail and passenger transit vehicles. We are a “Tier-1 “ supplier, with approximately 46% of our net sales in 2002 made directly to Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs), such as GE Transportation Systems (GETS), the Electro-Motive Division of General Motors Corporation (EMD), Bombardier Transportation, DaimlerChrysler Corporation and Trinity Transportation, Inc. In 2002, approximately 84% of our net sales were to customers in North America. For the twelve months ended September 30, 2003, our net sales and EBITDA, as defined herein, were \$689.2 million and \$67.0 million, respectively.

We provide our products and services through two principal business segments, the Freight Group and the Transit Group. The Freight Group manufactures and services components for new and existing freight cars and locomotives, while the Transit Group does the same for passenger transit vehicles, typically subways and buses. Both business segments serve OEMs and provide aftermarket services. In 2002, the Freight Group accounted for 64% of our total net sales, and the Transit Group accounted for the remaining 36%. In 2002, the Freight Group generated 34% of its net sales from OEMs and Class I railroads and 66% of its net sales from the aftermarket, while the Transit Group generated 69% of its net sales from OEMs and 31 % of its net sales from the aftermarket. A summary of our leading product lines across both of our business segments is outlined below.

- Brakes and related components
- Brake assemblies
- Draft gears, couplers and slack adjusters
- Air compressors and dryers
- Railway electronics, including event recorders, control and monitoring equipment, and end of train devices
- Friction products
- Rail and bus door assemblies
- Heat exchangers and cooling systems
- Sanitation systems and locomotive refrigerators
- Switcher and commuter locomotives
- Heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems

We manufacture, sell and service high-quality electronics for railroads in the form of on-board systems and braking for locomotives and freight cars. We design our products to protect them from severe conditions, including extreme temperatures and high-vibration environments. Recently, we have concentrated our new product development on extending electronic technology to braking and control systems.

We have become a leader in the rail industry by capitalizing on the strength of our existing products, technological capabilities and new product innovation. Our new product development effort has focused on electronic technology for brakes and controls. Over the past several years, we introduced a number of significant new products including electronic brakes and Positive Train Control equipment that encompasses onboard digital data and global positioning communication protocols. The Transit Group also focuses on new product development and has introduced a number of new products during the past several years. Supported by our technical staff of over 500 engineers, we have extensive experience in a broad range of product lines, which enables us to provide comprehensive, systems-based solutions for our customers. We currently own over 2,000 patents worldwide, 500 domestic patents, and over the last three years, we have filed for more than 150 U.S. patents in support of our evolving product lines.

Industry Environment

We expect increased demand for our products as the U.S. economy recovers, government transit spending increases and Class I railroads, utilities and leasing companies begin to reinvest in their fleets after deferring capital spending during the difficult U.S. economic environment since 2001. We anticipate that this increased capital spending will positively impact rail industry fundamentals, which have shown gradual improvement over the past few quarters, as evidenced by better-than-expected freight car orders and backlog. For example, freight car deliveries increased to 8,251 in the third quarter of 2003, an increase of 12% over the prior quarter and up 68% over the prior year. The table below demonstrates the improving trends in the freight car segment of the rail industry:

	Orders	Deliveries	Backlog
First quarter 2002	2,637	3,855	6,443
Second quarter 2002	6,973	4,155	9,281
Third quarter 2002	10,135	4,925	14,491
Fourth quarter 2002	8,712	4,801	18,402
First quarter 2003	11,767	6,614	24,055
Second quarter 2003	16,693	7,365	33,383
Third quarter 2003	6,726	8,251	31,858

Source: Railway Supply Institute

In mid-2002, Metropolitan Transit Authority of New York awarded a \$11.0 billion contract to ALSTOM Transportation Inc., in partnership with Kawasaki Rail Car, Inc., for the production of 660 transit cars with the option for an additional 1,040 cars priced at \$1.4 billion, making it the largest such contract in New York City history. The cars are expected to be delivered beginning in 2006. WABCO Transit, a Wabtec division, has been awarded the contract, valued at \$60 million, to be the exclusive supplier of brakes, couplers and current collectors for the base order of 660 cars. If New York City exercises the option for the additional 1,040 cars, the total value of this order could be \$150 million. Design work on the contract has already started, with prototypes to be delivered in 2004. In addition, we continue to negotiate to supply door assemblies for the cars. Under our previous contracts with Kawasaki Rail Car, Inc. and Bombardier Transportation, which were completed in 2002, we were the exclusive provider of brakes, doors, current collectors and couplers to 1630 transit cars for the Metropolitan Transit Authority of New York.

Separately, the U.S. Federal Government is considering a new proposal that would provide transportation funding of \$7.2 billion in fiscal 2004, with 2% annual increases through 2009.

See "Risk factors — Recent announcements made by ALSTOM SA, the parent of ALSTOM Transportation Inc., which is a substantial customer of ours, could affect our future business results."

Competitive strengths

Our key strengths include:

- *Leading market positions in core products.* Dating back to 1869 and George Westinghouse's invention of the straight air brake, we are an established leader in the development and manufacture of pneumatic braking equipment for freight and passenger transit vehicles. We have leveraged our leading position by focusing on research and engineering to expand beyond pneumatic braking system components to supplying integrated parts and assemblies for the locomotive through the end-of-train. We are a recognized leader in the development and production of electronic recording, measuring and communications systems, highly engineered compressors and heat exchange systems for locomotives and a leading manufacturer of freight car components, including electronic braking equipment, draft gears, brake shoes and electronic end-of-train devices. Additionally, we are a leading provider of complete door systems and couplers for passenger and transit vehicles. Wabtec has a market share of

approximately 50% in North America for our braking-related equipment and has a number 1 or number 2 position in North America for most of its other product lines.

- *Breadth of product offering with a stable mix of OEM and aftermarket business.* We believe our product portfolio is one of the broadest in the rail industry, as we offer a wide selection of quality parts, components and assemblies across the entire train. In addition, our existing installed base provides us with a competitive advantage in serving the aftermarket, as customers usually prefer the original product manufacturer to provide service and maintenance on products they purchase. Over the last several years, approximately 50% of our total net sales have come from our aftermarket products and services business.
- *Leading design and engineering capabilities.* We believe a hallmark of our relationship with our customers has been our leading design and engineering practice. With over 500 domestic patents and approximately 2,000 worldwide, our dedicated staff of over 500 engineers has, in our opinion, assisted in the improvement and modernization of global railway equipment. We believe both our customers and the federal transit authorities value our technological capabilities and commitment to innovation, as we seek not only to enhance the profitability of our customers, but also to improve the overall safety of the railways through continuous product improvement.
- *Significant barriers to entry.* We believe that there are a number of company- and industry-specific factors that represent meaningful barriers to entry:
 - *Proprietary product offering.* We have an established record of product improvements and new product development. We have assembled a wide range of patented products, which we believe provides us with a competitive advantage.
 - *Substantial installed base.* We believe our installed base presents a meaningful barrier to entry in both the new product market and the aftermarket. As OEMs and Class I railroad operators attempt to modernize fleets with new products designed to improve and maintain safety and efficiency, new products must be designed to be interoperable with existing equipment. We believe our dedicated research and development staff and comprehensive product offering enables us to leverage our installed base to maintain our leadership position with OEMs and the Class I railroads. Similarly, we believe our substantial installed base makes us a preferred supplier in the aftermarket, as end-users typically prefer to source performance and safety-related replacement parts and service from the original product supplier.
 - *Regulatory nature of the rail industry.* Oversight of the rail industry is governed by a number of federal regulatory agencies, including the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB), the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) and the Association of American Railroads (AAR). These groups mandate rigorous manufacturer certification and new product testing and approval processes that we believe are difficult for new entrants to cost-effectively and efficiently meet without the scale and extensive experience we possess.
- *Experienced management team.* Our management team has over 150 years of combined experience with the Company, and has implemented numerous initiatives that have enabled us to manage the sharp cyclical downturn in the rail supply market in 2001 and 2002. Our management team has implemented the Wabtec Quality and Performance System (QPS), an ongoing program that focuses on “lean manufacturing” principles and continuous improvement across all aspects of our business. In addition, in 2001, we completed a plan to eliminate excess manufacturing capacity by closing several facilities, realigning operations, reducing head count and divesting certain non-core assets. Since 2000, we have also reduced our debt by approximately \$350 million, lowering our percentage of debt to book capitalization from 73% at December 31, 2000 to 46% at September 30, 2003. Through these kinds of initiatives, our management team has improved our cost structure, operating leverage and financial flexibility and placed us in an excellent position to benefit from growth opportunities in an improving operating environment.

Business strategy

Our primary goal is to gain market share and operate efficiently by executing the following four-point plan:

- *Expand systems offerings as “Tier 1” supplier.* We are currently a “Tier I” supplier to OEMs in certain markets, but desire to expand our business with these customers to become an even more integral part of their operations. We plan to focus on integrating our electronic, pneumatic and mechanical technologies within and across business units and combining them as a complete package. Increasingly, customers will be able to purchase complete assemblies from us, rather than purchasing individual components from multiple suppliers. This will likely improve reliability and reduce product integration issues. We expect this capability to strengthen our position against competitors that do not have the breadth and depth of our product line. In addition, we will have the opportunity to service these assemblies in the aftermarket as they require replacement, upgrade or repair. In this way, we expect to increase the installed base of our products over time.
- *Accelerate new product and service development.* During the recent industry downturn, we maintained research and development spending at historical levels and continued to fund major development projects, and we will continue to emphasize research and development to create new and improved products. We are focusing on technological advances, especially in the areas of electronics, braking products and other on-board equipment, as a means of new product growth. We seek to provide customers with incremental technological advances that offer immediate benefits for relatively low investments. In addition, we are focused on expanding the level and type of aftermarket services that we currently provide to customers. In this way, we expect to take advantage of the industry trend toward outsourcing, as railroads and transit authorities focus on their core function of transporting goods and people, rather than maintaining and servicing their equipment.
- *Expand globally.* Our net sales outside of North America totaled 16% in 2002, and we believe that international markets represent a significant opportunity for future growth. We intend to increase our existing international sales through strategic acquisitions, direct sales of products through our existing subsidiaries and licensees and joint ventures with railway suppliers having a strong presence in their local markets. We are specifically targeting markets that operate significant fleets of U.S.-style locomotives and freight cars, including Australia, China, India, Russia, South Africa, South America and select areas within Europe.
- *Continuous improvement through lean principles.* We intend to build on what we consider to be a leading position as a low-cost producer in the industry while maintaining world-class product quality, technology and customer responsiveness. Through QPS and employee-directed initiatives such as Kaizen, a Japanese-developed team concept, we continuously strive to improve quality, lead time and productivity, and to reduce costs. These efforts enable us to streamline processes, improve product quality and customer satisfaction, reduce product cycle times and respond more rapidly to market developments. Over time, we expect these lean initiatives to enable us to increase profit margins, which would improve cash flow and strengthen our ability to invest in new product and service programs.

Engineering and development

Consistent with our strategy of using technology to develop new products, we are actively engaged in a variety of engineering and development activities. For the fiscal years ended December 31, 2002, 2001, and 2000, we incurred costs of approximately \$33.6 million, \$33.2 million and \$32.3 million, respectively, on product development and improvement activities (exclusive of manufacturing support). Such expenditures represented approximately 4.8%, 4.2% and 4% of net sales for the same periods, respectively. From time to time, we conduct specific research projects in conjunction with universities, customers and other railroad product suppliers.

Our engineering and development program is largely focused upon train control and new braking technologies, with an emphasis on the application of electronics to traditional pneumatic equipment. Electronic

actuation of braking has long been a part of our transit product line but interchangeability, connectivity and durability have presented problems to the industry in establishing electronics in freight railway applications. Efforts are proceeding in the enhancement of the major components for existing hard-wired braking equipment and development of new electronic technologies.

We use an electronic Product Development System (e-PDS) to develop and monitor all new product programs. The system requires the product development team to follow a consistent methodology throughout the development process, from concept to launch, to ensure the product will meet customer expectations and internal profitability targets.

Intellectual property

We have numerous U.S. patents, patent applications pending and trademarks as well as foreign patents and trademarks throughout the world. We also rely on a combination of trade secrets and other intellectual property laws, nondisclosure agreements and other protective measures to establish and protect our proprietary rights in our intellectual property.

Certain trademarks, among them the name WABCO®, were acquired or licensed from American Standard Inc. in 1990 at the time of our acquisition of the North American operations of the Railway Products Group of American Standard.

We are a party, as licensor and licensee, to a variety of license agreements. We do not believe that any single license agreement is of material importance to our business as a whole.

We entered into a license agreement with SAB WABCO Holdings B.V. on December 31, 1993, pursuant to which SAB WABCO granted us a license to the intellectual property and know-how related to the manufacturing and marketing of certain disc brakes, tread brakes and low noise and resilient wheel products. SAB WABCO is a former affiliate of Wabtec, both having been owned by the same parent in the early 1990s. In 2002, SAB WABCO was purchased by Vestar Capital Partners IV, L.P., an affiliate of Vestar Equity Partners, L.P. and Vestar Capital Partners, Inc. In November 2003, Vestar Equity Partners and Vestar Capital Partners sold an aggregate of 2,440,000 Wabtec common shares in a registered secondary offering. See "Prospectus Summary — Recent development." The SAB license expires December 31, 2003, and we fully intend to renew it for additional one-year terms as provided in the license agreement.

We have issued licenses to the two sole suppliers of railway air brakes and related products in Japan, NABCO Ltd. and Mitsubishi Electric Company. The licensees pay annual license fees to us and also assist us by acting as liaisons with key Japanese passenger transit vehicle builders for projects in North America. We believe that our relationships with these licensees have been beneficial to our core transit business and customer relationships in North America.

Customers

We have several key customers, including original equipment manufacturers and Class I railroads. In 2002, 5 customers, Bombardier Transportation, GETS, EMD, Northeast Illinois Regional Commuter Railroad Corporation (METRA), and Kawasaki Rail Car Inc., accounted for 30% of our net sales and one customer, Bombardier Transportation, represented 11% of consolidated sales in 2002 and 2001. We believe that we have strong relationships with all of our key customers.

Competition

We operate in a competitive marketplace. Price competition is strong and the existence of cost-conscious purchasers of a limited number has historically limited our ability to increase prices. In addition to price,

competition is based on product performance and technological leadership, quality, reliability of delivery and customer service and support. Our principal competitors vary to some extent across our principal product lines, but most competitors are smaller, privately held companies. Within North America, New York Air Brake Company, a subsidiary of the German air brake producer Knorr-Bremse AG, is our principal overall OEM competitor. Our competition for locomotive, freight and passenger transit service and repair business is primarily from the railroads' and passenger transit authorities' in-house operations, EMD and GETS, and New York Air Brake/Knorr.

Employees

At September 30, 2003, we had 4,459 full time employees, approximately 35% of whom are unionized. A majority of the employees subject to collective bargaining agreements are within North America and these agreements are generally effective through late 2003, 2004 and 2005.

We consider our relations with our employees and union representation to be good, but cannot assure that future contract negotiations will be favorable to us.

Facilities

The following table provides certain summary information with respect to the principal facilities owned or leased by the Company. The Company believes that its facilities and equipment are generally in good condition and that, together with scheduled capital improvements, they are adequate for its present and immediately projected needs. Leases on the below facilities are long-term and generally include options to renew. The Company's corporate headquarters are located at the Wilmerding, PA site.

Location	Primary Use	Primary Segment	Own/Lease	Approximate Square Feet
Domestic				
Wilmerding, PA	Manufacturing/Service	Freight Group	Own	365,000 ⁽¹⁾
Boise, ID	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Own	294,700
Lexington, TN	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Own	170,000
Jackson, TN	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Own	150,000
Chicago, IL	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Own	111,500
Laurinburg, NC	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Own	105,000
Greensburg, PA	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Own	97,800
Germantown, MD	Manufacturing/Service	Freight Group	Own	80,000
Willits, CA	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Own	70,000
St. Louis, MO.	Idle ⁽²⁾	Freight Group	Own	62,000
Kansas City, MO	Service Center	Freight Group	Lease	55,900
Cedar Rapids, IA	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Lease	37,000
Racine, WI	Engineering/Office	Freight Group	Lease	32,500
Carson City, NV	Service Center	Freight Group	Lease	22,000
Chicago, IL	Service Center	Freight Group	Lease	19,200
Columbia, SC	Service Center	Freight Group	Lease	40,250
Spartanburg, SC	Manufacturing/Service	Transit Group	Lease	183,600
Buffalo Grove, IL	Manufacturing	Transit Group	Lease	115,570
Plattsburgh, NY	Manufacturing	Transit Group	Lease	64,000
Elmsford, NY	Service Center	Transit Group	Lease	28,000
Baltimore, MD	Service Center	Transit Group	Lease	7,200
Richmond, CA	Service Center	Transit Group	Lease	5,400
Sun Valley, CA	Service Center	Transit Group	Lease	4,000
Atlanta, GA	Service Center	Transit Group	Lease	1,200

(1) Approximately 250,000 square feet are currently used in connection with the Company's corporate and manufacturing operations. The remainder is leased to third parties.

(2) This property is listed for sale.

Location	Primary Use	Primary Segment	Own/Lease	Approximate Square Feet
International				
Doncaster, UK	Manufacturing/ Service	Freight Group	Own	330,000
Stoney Creek, Ontario	Manufacturing/ Service	Freight Group	Own	189,200
Wallaceburg, Ontario	Foundry	Freight Group	Own	127,600
Wetherill Park, Australia	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Lease	73,100
San Luis Potosi, Mexico	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Own	48,600
Calgary, Alberta	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Own	38,000
Kolkatta, India	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Lease	32,000
Schweighouse, France	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Lease	30,000
Tottenham, Australia	Manufacturing	Freight Group	Lease	26,900
San Luis Potosi, Mexico	Foundry	Freight Group	Own	24,500
Sydney, Australia	Sales Office	Freight Group	Lease	11,250
St. Laurent, Quebec	Manufacturing	Transit Group	Own	106,000
Jiangsu, China	Manufacturing	Transit Group	Own	80,000
Sassuolo, Italy	Manufacturing	Transit Group	Lease	30,000
Pointe-aux-Trembles, Quebec	Manufacturing	Transit Group	Lease	20,000
Burton on Trent, UK	Manufacturing	Transit Group	Lease	18,000
Etobicoke, Ontario	Service Center	Transit Group	Lease	3,800

Backlog

We maintain a backlog of customer orders, although a majority of our revenues are derived from aftermarket sales, which typically carry lead times of less than 30 days. As such, the backlog is not an important indicator of aftermarket activity.

Our contracts are subject to standard industry cancellation provisions, including cancellations on short notice or upon completion of designated stages. Substantial scope-of-work adjustments are common. For these and other reasons, completion of our backlog may be delayed or cancelled and backlog should not be relied upon as an indicator of our future performance. The railroad industry, in general, has historically been subject to fluctuations due to overall economic conditions and the level of alternative modes of transportation.

The backlog of customer orders as of December 31, 2002 and the expected year of completion is as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	Total Backlog December 31, 2002	Year of completion	
		2003	Other years
Freight Group	\$ 237,654	\$ 151,583	\$ 86,071
Transit Group	180,942	127,002	53,940
Total	\$ 418,596	\$ 278,585	\$ 140,011

Legal proceedings

From time to time, we are party to various legal actions in the normal course of our business. We believe that we are not party to any litigation that, if adversely determined, would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial conditions and result of operations.

We are subject to a variety of environmental laws and regulations governing discharges to air and water, the handling, storage and disposal of hazardous or solid waste materials and the remediation of contamination associated with releases of hazardous substances. We believe our operations currently comply in all material respects with all of the various environmental laws and regulations applicable to our business; however, there can be no assurance that environmental requirements will not change in the future or that we will not incur significant costs to comply with such requirements.

Actions have been filed against us and certain of our affiliates in various jurisdictions across the United States by persons alleging bodily injury as a result of exposure to asbestos-containing products. Since 2000, the number of such claims has increased. Most of these claims have been made against our wholly-owned subsidiary, Railroad Friction Products Corporation (RFPC), and are based on a product sold by RFPC before we acquired American Standard, Inc.'s (ASI) 50% interest in RFPC in 1990. We acquired the remaining interest in RFPC in 1992. These claims include a suit against RFPC by ASI seeking contribution and indemnity for asbestos claims brought against ASI that ASI alleges claim exposure to RFPC's product.

Most of these claims, including all of the RFPC claims, are submitted to insurance carriers for defense and indemnity or to non-affiliated companies that retained the liabilities for the asbestos-containing products at issue. Neither we nor our affiliates have to date incurred material costs related to these asbestos claims. We cannot, however, assure that all these claims will be fully covered by insurance or that the indemnitors will remain financially viable. Our ultimate legal and financial liability with respect to these claims, as is the case with other pending litigation, cannot be estimated with certainty.

On November 3, 2000, we settled a suit brought against us in 1999 by GE-Harris Railway Electronics, L.L.C. and GE-Harris Railway Electronics Services, L.L.C. (collectively "GE-Harris"). On September 20, 2002, a motion in that lawsuit was filed by the successor to GE Harris, GE Transportation Services Global Signaling, L.L.C. ("GETS-GS"). The motion by GETS-GS contends that we are acting beyond authority granted in the parties' November 2000 settlement and license agreement and in contempt of the consent order that concluded the suit at that time. In support of its motion, GETS-GS points principally to sales and offers to sell certain railway brake equipment, including distributed power equipment, to Australian customers. GETS-GS is seeking substantial money damages and has claimed a significant business loss. A two day hearing was held on GETS-GS' motion in May, 2003. The parties completed and filed all post-hearing papers on August 28, 2003. Barring a settlement agreement in the interim, the parties are awaiting the court's decision and opinion on the motion.

MANAGEMENT

Executive officers and directors

The following table provides information concerning our executive officers and directors. Messrs. Brooks, Kassling and Miscoll will serve as directors until the 2004 annual meeting of stockholders and until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. Messrs. Fernandez, Foster and Napier will serve as directors until the 2005 annual meeting of the stockholders and until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. Messrs. Davies, Davis and Howell will serve as directors until the 2006 annual meeting of stockholders and until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. The executive officers are elected annually by our Board of Directors at an organizational meeting which is held immediately after each annual meeting of stockholders and serve at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Name	Age	Position
William E. Kassling	59	Director and Chairman of the Board
Emilio A. Fernandez	59	Director and Vice Chairman
Gregory T. H. Davies	56	Director, President and Chief Executive Officer
Robert J. Brooks	59	Director and Executive Vice President — Strategic Development
Alvaro Garcia-Tunon	51	Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary
Anthony J. Carpani	51	Vice President, Group Executive, Friction
Paul E. Golden	34	Vice President, Group Executive, Freight
Timothy J. Logan	50	Vice President, International
Gary P. Prasser	46	Vice President, Group Executive
George A. Socher	55	Vice President, Internal Audit and Taxation
Scott E. Wahlstrom	40	Vice President, Human Resources
Timothy R. Wesley	42	Vice President, Investor Relations and Corporate Communications
Kim G. Davis	49	Director
Lee B. Foster, II	56	Director
James P. Miscoll	69	Director
James V. Napier	66	Director
Michael W. D. Howell	56	Director

William E. Kassling has been a director and Chairman of the Board of Directors since 1990 and served as Chief Executive Officer until February 2001. Mr. Kassling was also President of WABCO from 1990 through February 1998. From 1984 until 1990 he headed the Railway Products Group of American Standard Inc. Between 1980 and 1984 he headed American Standard's Building Specialties Group and between 1978 and 1980 he headed Business Planning for American Standard. Mr. Kassling is a director of Aearo Corporation, Scientific-Atlanta, Inc. and Parker Hannifin Corporation.

Emilio A. Fernandez has served as Vice Chairman of the Company since March 1998. He has been a Director of the Company since our January 1995 acquisition of Pulse Electronics, Inc. which he co-founded in 1975. From 1997 to February 1998 he was Executive Vice President of the Company.

Gregory T. H. Davies has served as a director since February 1999 and Chief Executive Officer since February 2001. Mr. Davies joined us in March 1998 as President and Chief Operating Officer. Prior to March 1998, Mr. Davies had been with Danaher Corporation since 1988, where he was Vice President and Group Executive responsible for its Jacobs Vehicle Systems, Delta Consolidated Industries and A.L. Hyde Corporation operating units. Prior to that, he held executive positions at Cummins Engine Company and Ford Motor Company.

Robert J. Brooks has served as a director since 1990 and Executive Vice President-Strategic Development since March 2003. Mr. Brooks was Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary of the Company from 1990 until March 2003. From 1986 until 1990 he served as worldwide Vice President, Finance for the Railway Products Group of American Standard, Inc. Mr. Brooks is a director of Crucible Materials Corporation.

Alvaro Garcia-Tunon has been Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary of the Company since March 2003. Mr. Garcia-Tunon was Senior Vice President, Finance of the Company from November 1999 until March 2003 and Treasurer of the Company from August 1995 until November 1999. From 1990 until August 1995, Mr. Garcia-Tunon was Vice President of Business Development of Pulse Electronics, Inc.

Anthony J. Carpani has been Vice President, Group Executive, Friction since June 2000. Previously, Mr. Carpani was Managing Director of our Australian based subsidiary, F.I.P. Ltd. (formerly known as Futuris Brakes, International) from 1992 until June 2000.

Paul E. Golden has been Vice President, Group Executive, Freight since February of 2001. Prior to that, he was President of the Company's Cardwell Westinghouse business unit from November 1999 until February of 2001. Previously, Mr. Golden served as Vice President and General Manager of the Cardwell Westinghouse business unit and as Director of WABCO Performance Systems from June 1998 until November 1999. Prior to 1998, Mr. Golden held management and operations positions with Danaher Corporation and Federal-Mogul Corporation.

Timothy J. Logan has been the Vice President, International since August 1996. Previously, from 1987 until August 1996, Mr. Logan was Vice President, International Operations for Ajax Magnethermic Corporation and from 1983 until 1987 he was President of Ajax Magnethermic Canada, Ltd.

Gary P. Prasser has served as Vice President, Group Executive since September 2003. From January 1996 to July 1999, Mr. Prasser was President of Joslyn Manufacturing, a subsidiary of Danaher Corporation. He joined Wabtec in August 1999 and served as President of the Company's Motor Coils subsidiary from November 1999 to October 2001. From October 2001 to September 2003, he served as President of the Company's Cardwell Westinghouse business unit and Vice President, Manufacturing of the Company's Freight Group.

George A. Socher has been Vice President, Internal Audit and Taxation of the Company since November 1999. From July 1995 until November 1999 Mr. Socher was Vice President and Corporate Controller of the Company. From 1994 until June 1995, Mr. Socher was Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer of Sulcus Computer Corp. From 1988 until 1994 he was Corporate Controller of Stuart Medical, Inc.

Scott E. Wahlstrom has been Vice President, Human Resources since November 1999. Previously, Mr. Wahlstrom was Vice President, Human Resources & Administration of MotivePower Industries, Inc. from August 1996 until November 1999. From September of 1994 until August of 1996, Mr. Wahlstrom served as Director of Human Resources for MotivePower Industries, Inc.

Timothy R. Wesley has been Vice President, Investor Relations and Corporate Communications since November 1999. Previously, Mr. Wesley was Vice President, Investor and Public Relations of MotivePower Industries, Inc. from August 1996 until November 1999. From February 1995 until August 1996, he served as Director, Investor and Public Relations of MotivePower Industries, Inc. From 1993 until February 1995, Mr. Wesley served as Director, Investor and Public Relations of Michael Baker Corporation.

Kim G. Davis has served as a director since 1997. Mr. Davis has served as the Managing Director of Charlesbank Capital Partners, LLC, formerly known as Harvard Private Capital Holdings, Inc., since 1998. Mr.

Davis was the General Partner of Coral Reef Capital, LLC from prior to 1997 to February 1998. Mr. Davis also serves as a director of Shoppers Drug Mart Corporation.

Lee B. Foster, II has served as a director since 1999. Mr. Foster has served as Chairman of L.B. Foster Company since 1998, and was the Chief Executive Officer of L.B. Foster Company from 1994 to 2001. Mr. Foster also served as President of L.B. Foster Company from 1994 to 2000. He also serves as a director of L.B. Foster Company.

James P. Miscoll has served as a director since 1999. Mr. Miscoll has been an independent businessman since prior to 1994 and has held various positions with Bank of America since 1962, including Vice Chairman from 1984 through his retirement in 1992. Mr. Miscoll is also a director of MK Gold Company and 21st Century Industries. He is also a senior advisor to AIG.

James V. Napier has served as a director since 1995. Mr. Napier has served as the Chairman of Scientific-Atlanta, Inc. since July 1994, and served as Chairman and interim Chief Executive Officer of Scientific-Atlanta, Inc. from November 1993 to July 1994. Mr. Napier also serves as a director of Scientific-Atlanta, Inc., Engelhard Corporation, Vulcan Materials Company, McKesson Corporation, Personnel Group of America, Inc. and Intelligent Systems, Inc.

Michael W. D. Howell has served as a director since May 2003. Mr. Howell has served as the Chief Executive Officer of Transport Initiatives Edinburgh Limited since May 2002. He previously served as the Chairman of FPT Group Limited from April 1998 to March 2002. He is also a director for Arlington Capital Management (CI) Limited.

Stockholders Agreement

Wabtec, certain members of management, Vestar Equity Partners, L.P., Charlesbank Equity Fund II, Limited Partnership, and American Industrial Partners Capital Fund II L.P. executed a Stockholders Agreement in 1997 that provides for certain of the parties to have the right to designate a director of Wabtec if such party maintains a specified level of ownership in Wabtec common stock.

Registration Rights Agreement

Wabtec, certain members of management and the Board, Vestar Equity Partners, L.P., Vestar Capital Partners, Inc., Charlesbank Equity Fund II, Limited Partnership and American Industrial Partners Fund II, L.P. executed an agreement in 1997 that provided these shareholders with demand and “piggyback” registration rights so as to allow public sale. In November 2003, Vestar and Charlesbank sold 4,846,000 shares of Wabtec common stock in a registered offering undertaken by Wabtec. See “Prospective summary — Recent developments” included elsewhere in this prospectus.

DESCRIPTION OF EXCHANGE NOTES

General

The exchange notes will be issued under an indenture (the “Indenture”), dated as of August 6, 2003 by and among the Company and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (the “Trustee”). Upon the issuance of the exchange notes or the effectiveness of a shelf registration statement, the Indenture will be subject to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the “Trust Indenture Act”). The following summary of the material provisions of the Indenture (a copy of the form of which may be obtained upon request to the Company or the initial purchasers) does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Trust Indenture Act, and to all of the provisions of the Indenture, including the definitions of certain terms therein and those terms made a part of the Indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act, as in effect on the date of the Indenture. The definitions of certain capitalized terms used in the following summary are set forth below under “—Certain definitions.” For purposes of this section, references to the “Company” include only Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation and not its subsidiaries.

We can issue up to \$150.0 million of exchange notes and additional notes in an unlimited amount may be issued in one or more series from time to time subject to the limitations set forth under “—Certain covenants — Limitation on indebtedness.”

The exchange notes will be issued in fully registered form only, without coupons, in denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples thereof and will be transferable. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of the exchange notes, but we may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax, assessment or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith. We will pay principal (and premium, if any) on the exchange notes at the Trustee’s corporate office in New York, New York. At our option, interest may be paid at the Trustee’s corporate trust office or by check mailed to the registered address of Holders.

The guarantees

The exchange notes will be guaranteed by each existing or future Restricted Subsidiary that is a guarantor of or otherwise an obligor with respect to Senior Indebtedness of the Company.

Each of the Guarantors will (so long as it remains a Restricted Subsidiary) unconditionally guarantee on a joint and several basis all of the Company’s obligations under the exchange notes, including its obligations to pay principal, premium, if any, and interest, if any, with respect to the exchange notes. The Guarantees will be general unsecured obligations of the Guarantors and will rank *pari passu* with all existing and future unsecured indebtedness of the Guarantors that is not, by its terms, expressly subordinated in right of payment to the Guarantees. The obligations of each Guarantor are limited to the maximum amount which, after giving effect to all other contingent and fixed liabilities of such Guarantor and after giving effect to any collections from or payments made by or on behalf of any other Guarantor in respect of the obligations of such other Guarantor under its Guarantee or pursuant to its contribution obligations under the Indenture, will result in the obligations of such Guarantor under its Guarantee not constituting a fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer under federal or state law. Each Guarantor that makes a payment or distribution under a Guarantee shall be entitled to a contribution from each other Guarantor in an amount pro rata, based on the net assets of each Guarantor, determined in accordance with GAAP. Except as provided in the covenants described under “—Certain covenants” below, we are not restricted from selling or otherwise disposing of any of the Guarantors.

The Indenture provides that if all or substantially all of the assets of any Guarantor or all of the Capital Stock of any Guarantor is sold (including by consolidation, merger, issuance or otherwise) or disposed of (including by liquidation, dissolution or otherwise) by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or, unless we elect otherwise, if any Guarantor is designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, then such Guarantor (in the event of a sale or other disposition of all of the Capital Stock of such

Guarantor or a designation as an Unrestricted Subsidiary) or the Person acquiring such assets (in the event of a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of such Guarantor) shall be deemed automatically and unconditionally released and discharged from any of its obligations under the Indenture without any further action on the part of the Trustee or any Holder of the exchange notes; provided, in each case that such Guarantor is no longer a Guarantor of, or otherwise an obligor with respect to, Senior Indebtedness of the Company. In addition, the Indenture also provides that, if a Restricted Subsidiary is no longer a Guarantor of, or otherwise an obligor with respect to, Senior Indebtedness of the Company, such Guarantor shall be deemed automatically and unconditionally released and discharged from any of its obligations under the Indenture without any further action on the part of the Trustee or any Holder of the exchange notes as long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, or would occur as a consequence thereof.

A sale of assets or Capital Stock of a Guarantor may constitute an Asset Disposition subject to the "Limitation on sales of assets" covenant.

Equity clawback

Except as set forth below, the exchange notes are not redeemable. At any time, or from time to time, on or prior to July 31, 2006 we may, at our option, use the net cash proceeds of one or more Equity Offerings (as defined below) to redeem up to 35% of the principal amount of the exchange notes issued under the Indenture at a redemption price of 106.875% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, to the date of redemption; *provided* that:

- (1) at least 65% of the principal amount of exchange notes issued under the Indenture remains outstanding immediately after any such redemption; and
- (2) we make such redemption not more than 90 days after the consummation of any such Equity Offering.

"*Equity Offering*" means a public or private offering of Qualified Capital Stock of the Company to any Person in which the gross cash proceeds to the Company are at least \$50 million.

No exchange notes of a principal amount of \$1,000 or less shall be redeemed in part. If a partial redemption is made pursuant to the foregoing provision, the Trustee will select the exchange notes only on a pro rata basis or on as nearly a pro rata basis as is practicable (subject to DTC procedures). Notice of redemption will be mailed by first-class mail at least 30 but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each Holder of exchange notes to be redeemed at its registered address. If any exchange note is to be redeemed in part only, the notice of redemption that relates to such exchange note shall state the portion of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. A new note in principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof will be issued in the name of the Holder thereof upon cancellation of the original exchange note. On and after the redemption date, interest will cease to accrue on exchange notes or portions thereof called for redemption as we have deposited with the Paying Agent funds in satisfaction of the redemption price.

Ranking

The exchange notes will be senior unsecured obligations, will rank *pari passu* in right of payment with all our existing and future Senior Indebtedness and will be senior in right of payment to all our existing and future Subordinated Indebtedness.

The exchange notes will be effectively subordinated to liabilities of our subsidiaries, including trade payables. See "Risk factors — Risks related to the exchange notes — The exchange notes and guarantees will be effectively subordinated to all of our and our subsidiary guarantors' secured indebtedness and all indebtedness and other obligations of our non-guarantor subsidiaries."

Certain definitions

“Accounts Receivable Entity” means a Person, including, without limitation, a Subsidiary of the Company whose operations consist solely of owning and/or selling accounts receivable of the Company and its Subsidiaries and engaging in other activities in connection with transactions that are Qualified Receivables Transactions.

“Additional Assets” means

- (i) any property or assets (other than Indebtedness and Capital Stock) in a Related Business;
- (ii) the Capital Stock of a Person that becomes a Restricted Subsidiary as a result of the acquisition of such Capital Stock by the Company or another Restricted Subsidiary; or
- (iii) Capital Stock constituting a minority interest in any Person that at such time is a Restricted Subsidiary;

provided, however, that any such Restricted Subsidiary described in clause (ii) or (iii) above is primarily engaged in a Related Business.

“Affiliate” of any specified Person means any other Person, directly or indirectly, controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For the purposes of this definition, “control” when used with respect to any Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms “controlling” and “controlled” have meanings correlative to the foregoing.

“Agent” means any Registrar or Paying Agent or authenticating agent or co-registrar.

“Asset Disposition” means any direct or indirect sale, lease, transfer or other disposition (or series of related sales, leases, transfers or dispositions) by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, other than permitted Sale/Leaseback Transactions, including any disposition by means of a merger, consolidation or similar transaction (each referred to for the purposes of this definition as a “disposition”), of (i) any shares of Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary (other than directors’ qualifying shares or shares required by applicable law to be held by a Person other than the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary), (ii) all or substantially all the assets of any division or line of business of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, or (iii) any other assets of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary outside of the ordinary course of business of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary (other than, in the case of (i), (ii) and (iii) above, (x) a disposition by a Restricted Subsidiary to the Company or by the Company or a Subsidiary to a Wholly Owned Subsidiary and (y) for purposes of the covenant described under “—Certain covenants — Limitation on sales of assets” only, a disposition that constitutes a Restricted Payment permitted by the covenant described under “—Certain covenants — Limitation on restricted payments”); provided, however, that the following shall not be deemed an Asset Disposition: (A) a transaction or series of related transactions consummated after the Issue Date for which the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries receives aggregate consideration of up to \$20 million during any consecutive 12-month period; provided that such sale or disposition also complies with clause (a)(i) of the covenant under “Limitation on sales of assets”; and (B) insurance proceeds received in connection with any casualty in an amount not to exceed \$3 million in the aggregate in any fiscal year; provided that to the extent the Company shall have reinvested such proceeds on the date of any required Asset Sale Offer (or certified to the Trustee that it intends to reinvest within 365 days of such Asset Sale Offer, or, in the case of the rebuilding of a facility with insurance proceeds, as contemplated by clause (B) in this definition of Asset Disposition, such longer time as may be required to construct such facility) any of such proceeds in equipment, vehicles or other assets used in the Company’s principal lines of business, the resultant Asset Sale Offer shall be reduced by the amount so reinvested or to be reinvested.

“Attributable Debt” in respect of a Sale/Leaseback Transaction means, as at the time of determination, the present value (discounted at the interest rate borne by the exchange notes, compounded annually) of the total

obligations of the lessee for rental payments during the remaining term of the lease included in such Sale/Leaseback Transaction (including any period for which such lease has been extended).

“Average Life” means, as of the date of determination, with respect to any Indebtedness or Preferred Stock, the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the sum of the products of numbers of years from the date of determination to the dates of each successive scheduled principal payment of such Indebtedness or redemption or similar payment with respect to such Preferred Stock multiplied by the amount of such payment by (ii) the sum of all such payments.

“Board of Directors” means the Board of Directors of the Company or any committee thereof duly authorized to act on behalf of such Board.

“Business Day” means each day which is not a Legal Holiday.

“Capital Lease Obligations” means an obligation that is required to be classified and accounted for as a capitalized lease for financial reporting purposes in accordance with GAAP, and the amount of Indebtedness represented by such obligation shall be the capitalized amount of such obligation determined in accordance with GAAP; and the Stated Maturity thereof shall be the date of the last payment of rent or any other amount due under such lease prior to the first date upon which such lease may be terminated by the lessee without payment of a penalty.

“Capital Stock” of any Person means any and all shares, interests, rights to purchase, warrants, options, participations or other equivalents of or interests in (however designated) equity of such Person, including any Preferred Stock.

“Cash Equivalents” means, at anytime,

(i) any evidence of Indebtedness with a maturity of 180 days or less from the date of acquisition issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality thereof (provided that the full faith and credit of the United States of America is pledged in support thereof);

(ii) certificates of deposit or acceptances with a maturity of 180 days or less from the date of acquisition of any financial institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System having combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than \$300.0 million and whose short-term debt has a rating, at the time when any investment therein is made, of at least “A-1” (or subsequent equivalent rating) by S&P or at least P-1 (or subsequent equivalent rating) by Moody’s;

(iii) commercial paper with a maturity of 180 days or less from the date of acquisition issued by a corporation that is not an Affiliate of the Company organized under the laws of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia and rated at least A-1 (or subsequent equivalent rating) by S&P or at least P-1 (or subsequent equivalent rating) by Moody’s; and

(iv) repurchase agreements and reverse repurchase agreements with terms of more than 30 days relating to obligations of the types described in clause (i) above entered into with a financial institution of the type described in clause (ii) above.

“Change of Control” means the occurrence of any of the following events:

(i) any “person” (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act), other than (a) any Designated Person or (b) combination of Designated Persons, is or becomes the beneficial owner (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act, except that for purposes of this clause (i) such person shall be deemed to have “beneficial ownership” of all shares that any such person has the right to acquire, whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of the Company;

- (ii) the first day on which a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of the Company are not Continuing Directors;
- (iii) the Company conveys, transfers or leases all or substantially all its assets to any person or group, in one transaction or a series of transactions other than any conveyance, transfer or lease between the Company and a Wholly Owned Subsidiary; or
- (iv) the stockholders of the Company shall approve any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Company.

“Code” means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

“Common Stock” means, with respect to any Person, any and all shares, interests, participations or other equivalents (however designated, whether voting or non-voting) of such Person’s common stock, whether now outstanding or issued after the Issue Date, including, without limitation, all series and classes of such common stock.

“Company” means Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation, a Delaware corporation, until a successor replaces it in accordance with the covenant described in “—Certain covenants — Merger and consolidation,” and thereafter means the successor.

“Consolidated Assets” as of any date of determination means the total amount of assets which would appear on a consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

“Consolidated Coverage Ratio” as of any date of determination means the ratio of (i) the aggregate amount of EBITDA for the four most recent fiscal quarters for which the Company has filed financial statements with the SEC pursuant to the requirements of the Exchange Act prior to the date of such determination to (ii) Consolidated Interest Expense for such four fiscal quarters; *provided, however*, that:

(1) if the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary has Incurred any Indebtedness since the beginning of such period that remains outstanding or if the transaction giving rise to the need to calculate the Consolidated Coverage Ratio is an Incurrence of Indebtedness, or both, EBITDA and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving effect on a pro forma basis to such Indebtedness as if such Indebtedness has been Incurred on the first day of such period and the discharge of any other Indebtedness repaid, repurchased, defeased or otherwise discharged with the proceeds of such new Indebtedness as if such discharge had occurred on the first day of such period, except that, in making such calculation, Indebtedness Incurred under a revolving credit or similar arrangement to finance seasonal fluctuations in working capital needs shall be computed on the average daily balance of such Indebtedness during such period unless such Indebtedness is projected in the reasonable judgment of senior management of the Company to remain outstanding for a period in excess of 12 months from the date of Incurrence of such Indebtedness, in which case such Indebtedness will be assumed to have been Incurred on the first day of such coverage period;

(2) if since the beginning of such period the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary shall have made any Asset Disposition, the EBITDA for such period shall be reduced by an amount equal to the EBITDA (if positive) directly attributable to the assets which are the subject of such Asset Disposition for such period, or increased by an amount equal to the EBITDA (if negative) directly attributable thereto for such period and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be reduced by an amount equal to the Consolidated Interest Expense directly attributable to any Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary repaid, repurchased, defeased or otherwise discharged with respect to the Company and its continuing Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with such Asset Disposition for such period (or, if the Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary is sold, the Consolidated Interest Expense for such period directly attributable to

the Indebtedness of such Restricted Subsidiary to the extent the Company and its continuing Restricted Subsidiaries are no longer liable for such Indebtedness after such sale);

(3) if since the beginning of such period the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary (by merger or otherwise) shall have made an Investment in any Restricted Subsidiary (or any person which becomes a Restricted Subsidiary) or an acquisition of assets, including any acquisition of assets occurring in connection with a transaction causing a calculation to be made hereunder, which constitutes all or substantially all of an operating unit of a business, EBITDA and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto (including the incurrence of any Indebtedness) as if such Investment or acquisition occurred on the first day of such period; and

(4) if since the beginning of such period any Person (that subsequently became a Restricted Subsidiary or was merged with or into the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary since the beginning of such period) shall have made any Asset Disposition, any Investment or acquisition of assets that would have required an adjustment pursuant to clause (2) or (3) above if made by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary during such period, EBITDA and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto as if such Asset Disposition, Investment or acquisition occurred on the first day of such period. For purposes of this definition, whenever pro forma effect is to be given to an acquisition of assets, the amount of income or earnings relating thereto, and the amount of Consolidated Interest Expense associated with any Indebtedness Incurred in connection therewith, the pro forma calculations shall be determined in good faith by a responsible financial or accounting officer of the Company. If any Indebtedness bears a floating rate of interest and is being given pro forma effect, the interest of such Indebtedness shall be calculated as if the rate in effect on the date of determination had been the applicable rate for the entire period (taking into account any Interest Rate Protection Agreement applicable to such Indebtedness if such Interest Rate Protection Agreement has a remaining term in excess of 12 months).

“Consolidated Interest Expense” means, for any period, the total interest expense of the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries, plus (x) to the extent not included in such total interest expense, and to the extent incurred by the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries:

- (i) interest expense attributable to capital leases,
- (ii) amortization of debt discount and debt issuance cost (excluding debt issuance cost relating to the exchange notes);
- (iii) capitalized interest;
- (iv) non-cash interest payments;
- (v) commissions, discounts and other fees and charges owed with respect to letters of credit and bankers’ acceptance financing;
- (vi) net costs under Interest Rate Protection Agreements (including amortization of fees);
- (vii) Preferred Stock dividends in respect of all Preferred Stock held by Persons other than the Company or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary;
- (viii) interest incurred in connection with Investments in discontinued operations; and
- (ix) interest actually paid by the Company or any of its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries under any Guarantee of Indebtedness of any Person and minus (y) to the extent included in such total interest expense, any amortization by the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries of (i) capitalized interest or (ii) commissions, discounts and other fees and charges owed with respect to letters of credit and bankers’ acceptance financing.

“Consolidated Net Income” means, for any period, the net income of the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries; *provided, however*, that there shall not be included in such Consolidated Net Income:

(i) any net income of any Person if such Person is not a Restricted Subsidiary, except that subject to the limitations contained in clause (iii) below, the Company's equity in the net income of any such Person for such period shall be included in such Consolidated Net Income up to the aggregate amount of cash actually distributed by such Person during such period to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary as a dividend or other distribution (subject, in the case of a dividend or other distribution paid to a Restricted Subsidiary, to the limitations contained in clause (ii) below);

(ii) the net income of any Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Guarantor to this extent that such Restricted Subsidiary is subject to restrictions, directly or indirectly, on the payment of dividends or the making of distributions, directly or indirectly, to the Company, except that the Company's equity in a net loss of any such Restricted Subsidiary for such period shall be included in determining such Consolidated Net Income;

(iii) any gain (but not loss) realized upon the sale or other disposition of any property, plant or equipment of the Company or its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries (including pursuant to any sale-and-leaseback arrangement) which is not sold or otherwise disposed of in the ordinary course of business and any gain (but not loss) realized upon the sale or other disposition of any Capital Stock of any Person;

(iv) extraordinary gains or losses; and

(v) the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principles.

"Continuing Directors" means, as of the date of determination, any members of the Board of Directors of the Company who: (a) was a member of such Board of Directors on the Issue Date (b) was nominated for election or elected to such Board of Directors with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of such Board of Directors at the time of such nomination or election, or (c) is a representative of a Designated Person.

"Control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise, and the terms "Controlling" and "Controlled" shall have meanings correlative thereto.

"Credit Agreement" means the Credit Agreement dated as of January 31, 1995, as amended and restated as of November 19, 1999 (as amended on November 16, 2000, March 31, 2001, July 18, 2001, September 17, 2001, November 14, 2001, November 13, 2002, May 17, 2003 and July 17, 2003), among the Company, the guarantors from time to time party thereto, the financial institutions from time to time party thereto and LaSalle Bank National Association, as bookrunner and co-syndication agent, JPMorgan Chase Bank, as administrative agent, The Bank of New York, as co-syndication agent, Mellon Bank N.A., as documentation agent and Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A. (as successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank Delaware), LaSalle Bank National Association and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. as issuing banks, as the same may be amended or modified from time to time, and any agreement or agreements evidencing any refunding, replacement, refinancing or renewal, in whole or in part, of the Credit Agreement; provided that such refunding, replacement, refinancing or renewal shall be effected in the commercial bank lending market, and not in the capital markets.

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

"Designated Person" means Charlesbank Equity Fund II, Limited Partnership, or any of its Controlled Affiliates, Vestar or Vestar Capital or any of their respective Controlled Affiliates.

"Disqualified Capital Stock" means, with respect to any Person, (a) any Capital Stock which by its terms (or by the terms of any security into which it is convertible or for which it is exchangeable) or upon the happening of any event (i) matures or is mandatorily redeemable pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise, (ii) is convertible or exchangeable for Indebtedness or Disqualified Capital Stock or (iii) is redeemable at the option of

the holder thereof, in whole or in part, in each case on or prior to the first anniversary of the Stated Maturity of the exchange notes or (b) any Capital Stock of a Subsidiary.

“EBITDA” for any period means Consolidated Net Income plus the following to the extent deducted in calculating such Consolidated Net Income:

- (a) all income tax expense of the Company;
- (b) Consolidated Interest Expense;
- (c) depreciation expense;
- (d) amortization expense; and
- (e) other noncash charges (including any charges resulting from the write-down of inventory)” deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income (and not already excluded from the definition of the term “Consolidated Net Income”),

in each case for such period.

“Exchange Act” means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

“Fair Market Value” means, with respect to any asset, the price which could be negotiated in an arm’s-length free market transaction, for cash, between a willing seller and a willing buyer, neither of which is under compulsion to complete the transaction. The Fair Market Value of any asset or assets shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the Company, acting in good faith, and shall be evidenced by a resolution of such Board of Directors delivered to the Trustee.

“Foreign Subsidiary” means a corporation that is not incorporated under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof and whose business is primarily conducted outside of the United States.

“GAAP” means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America as in effect as of the date of the Indenture, including those set forth in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board or in such other statements by such other entity as approved by a significant segment of the accounting profession.

“Guarantee” means any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of any Person directly or indirectly guaranteeing any Indebtedness of any Person and any obligation, direct: or indirect, contingent or otherwise, of such Person:

(i) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness of such Person (whether arising by virtue of partnership arrangements, or by agreements to keep-well, to purchase assets, goods, securities or services, to take-or-pay, or to maintain financial statement conditions or otherwise) or

(ii) entered into for the purpose of assuring in any other manner the obligee of such Indebtedness of the payment thereof or to protect such obligee against loss in respect thereof (in whole or in part);

provided, however, that the term “Guarantee” shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business. The term “Guarantee” used as a verb has a corresponding meaning.

“Guarantor” means each Restricted Subsidiary as of the date hereof and any subsidiary that becomes a guarantor of the exchange notes pursuant to the Indenture.

“Holder” means the Person in whose name a Note is registered on the Registrar’s books.

“Incur” means issue, assume, Guarantee, incur or otherwise become liable for; *provided*, however, that any Indebtedness or Capital Stock of a Person existing at the time such Person becomes a Subsidiary (whether by merger, consolidation, acquisition or otherwise) shall be deemed to be Incurred by such Subsidiary at the time it becomes a Subsidiary. The term “Incurrence” when used as a noun shall have a correlative meaning.

“Indebtedness” of any Person means, without duplication,

(i) the principal of and premium (if any) in respect of

(A) indebtedness of such Person for money borrowed and

(B) indebtedness evidenced by exchange notes, debentures, bonds or other similar instruments for the payment of which such Person is responsible or liable;

(ii) all Capital Lease Obligations of such Person and all Attributable Debt in respect of Sale/ Leaseback Transactions entered into by such Person;

(iii) all obligations of such Person issued or assumed as the deferred purchase price of property, all conditional sale obligations of such Person and all obligations of such Person under any title retention agreement (but excluding trade accounts payable arising in the ordinary course of business);

(iv) all obligations of such Person for the reimbursement of any obligor on any letter of credit, banker’s acceptance or similar credit transaction (other than obligations with respect to letters of credit securing obligations (other than obligations described in (i) through (iii) above) entered into in the ordinary course of business of such Person to the extent such letters of credit are not drawn upon or, if and to the extent drawn upon, such drawing is reimbursed no later than the third Business Day following receipt by such Person of a demand for reimbursement following payment on the letter of credit);

(v) the amount of all obligations of such Person with respect to the redemption, repayment or other repurchase of any Disqualified Capital Stock (but excluding, in each case, any accrued dividends);

(vi) all obligations of the type referred to in clauses (i) through (v) of other Persons and all dividends of other Persons for the payment of which, in either case, such Person is responsible or liable, directly or indirectly, as guarantor or otherwise; and

(vii) all obligations of the type referred to in clauses (i) through (vi) of other Persons secured by any Lien on any property or asset of such Person (whether or not such obligation is assumed by such Person), the amount of such obligation being deemed to be the lesser of the value of such property and assets or the amount of the obligation so secured.

“Interest Rate Protection Agreement” means any interest rate swap agreement, interest rate cap agreement or other financial agreement or arrangement designed to protect the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary against fluctuations in interest rates.

“Investment” in any Person means any direct or indirect advance, loan (other than advances to customers in the ordinary course of business that are recorded as accounts receivable on the balance sheet of such Person) or other extension of credit (including by way of Guarantee or similar arrangement) or capital contribution to (by means of any transfer of cash or other property to others or any payment for property or services for the account or use of others), or any purchase or acquisition of Capital Stock, Indebtedness or other similar instruments issued by such Person. For purposes of the definition of “Unrestricted Subsidiary”, the definition of “Restricted Payment” and the covenant described under “—Certain covenants — Limitation on restricted payments”, (i) “investment” shall include the portion (proportionate to the Company’s equity interest in such Subsidiary) of the fair market value of the net assets of any Subsidiary of the Company at the time that such Subsidiary is designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary; *provided*, however, that upon a redesignation of such Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary, the Company shall be deemed to continue to have a permanent “Investment” in an Unrestricted Subsidiary in an amount (if positive) equal to (x) the Company’s “Investment” in such Subsidiary at the time of such redesignation less (y) the portion (proportionate to the Company’s equity interest in such

Subsidiary) of the fair market value of the net assets of such Subsidiary at the time of such redesignation; and (ii) any property transferred to or from an Unrestricted Subsidiary shall be valued at its fair market value at the time of such transfer, in each case as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors.

“Investment Grade” means Baa3 or higher by Moody’s and BBB- or higher by S&P.

“Issue Date” means the date on which the exchange notes are originally issued.

“Joint Venture” means a joint venture, partnership or other similar arrangement, whether in corporate, partnership or other legal form; provided that, as to any such arrangement in corporate form, such corporation shall not, as to any Person of which such corporation is a Subsidiary, be considered to be a Joint Venture to which such Person is a party.

“Legal Holiday” means Saturday, Sunday or a day on which banking institutions in New York, New York or at a place of payment are authorized or obligated by law, regulation or executive order to remain closed.

“Lien” means any mortgage, pledge, security interest, encumbrance, lien or charge of any kind (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement or lease in the nature thereof).

“Moody’s” means Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. or any successor to its debt rating business.

“Net Available Cash” from an Asset Disposition means cash payments and Cash Equivalents received therefrom (including any cash payments and Cash Equivalents received by way of deferred payment of principal pursuant to a note or installment receivable or otherwise, but only as and when received, but excluding any other consideration received in the form of assumption by the acquiring person of Indebtedness or other obligations relating to such properties or assets or received in any other noncash form) in each case net of all legal, title and recording tax expenses, commissions and other fees and expenses incurred, and all federal, state, provincial, foreign and local taxes required to be accrued as a liability under GAAP, as a consequence of such Asset Disposition, and in each case net of all payments made on any Indebtedness which is secured by any assets subject to such Asset Disposition, in accordance with the terms of any Lien upon or other security agreement of any kind with respect to such assets, or which must by its terms, or in order to obtain a necessary consent to such Asset Disposition, or by applicable law be repaid out of the proceeds from such Asset Disposition, and net of all distributions and other payments required to be made to minority interest holders in Subsidiaries or joint ventures as a result of such Asset Disposition.

“Net Cash Proceeds,” with respect to any issuance or sale of Capital Stock, means the cash proceeds of such issuance or sale net of attorneys’ fees, accountants’ fees, underwriters’ or placement agents’ fees, discounts or commissions and brokerage, consultant and other fees actually incurred in connection with such issuance or sale and net of taxes paid or payable as a result thereof.

“Officer” means the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, the Chief Financial Officer, the Treasurer, Controller, Secretary or any Vice President of the Company or any other obligor upon the securities.

“Officers’ Certificate” means a certificate signed by the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Vice Chairman, the President or any Vice President and by the Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer or the Secretary of such Person.

“Opinion of Counsel” means an opinion in writing signed by legal counsel who is reasonably acceptable to the Trustee. Such counsel may be an employee of or counsel to the Company, any Subsidiary of the Company or to the Trustee.

“Permitted Investments” means any of the following:

- (i) any investment in direct obligations of the United States of America or any agency thereof or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America or any agency thereof;
- (ii) investments in time deposit accounts, certificates of deposit and money market deposits maturing within 180 days of the date of acquisition thereof issued by a bank or trust company which is organized under the laws of the United States of America, any state thereof or any foreign country recognized by the United States, and, in the case of investments in excess of \$100,000 in any one bank or trust company, which bank or trust company has capital, surplus and undivided profits aggregating in excess of \$50.0 million (or the foreign currency equivalent thereof) and has outstanding debt which is rated “A” (or such similar equivalent rating) or higher by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization (as defined in Rule 436 under the Securities Act) or any money-market fund sponsored by a registered broker dealer or mutual fund distributor;
- (iii) repurchase obligations with a term of not more than 30 days for underlying securities of the types described in clause (i) above entered into with a bank meeting the qualifications described in clause (ii) above;
- (iv) investments in commercial paper, maturing not more than 90 days after the date of acquisition, issued by a corporation (other than an Affiliate of the Company) organized and in existence under the laws of the United States of America or any foreign country recognized by the United States of America with a rating at the time as of which any investment therein is made of “P-1” (or higher) according to Moody’s or “A-1” (or higher) according to S&P;
- (v) investments in securities with maturities of six months or less from the date of acquisition issued or fully guaranteed by any state, commonwealth or territory of the United States of America, or by any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof, and rated at least “A” by S&P or “A” by Moody’s; and
- (vi) any investment in an Accounts Receivables Entity.

“Permitted Liens” means, with respect to any Person,

- (a) Liens existing on the date of the Indenture;
- (b) Liens securing Indebtedness described in clause (b)(1) of the covenant described under “— Certain covenants — Limitation on indebtedness” and interest, fees, expenses and other obligations owing under the Credit Agreement and obligations owing under any related guarantee, security or similar agreement;
- (c) Liens on property at the time such Person or any of its Subsidiaries acquires the property, including any acquisition by means of a merger or consolidation with or into such Person or a Subsidiary of such Person; provided, however, that the Liens may not extend to any other property owned by such Person or any of its Subsidiaries;
- (d) Liens securing Purchase Money Indebtedness;
- (e) additional Liens for any purpose of up to 15% of the Company’s Consolidated Assets;
- (f) pledges or deposits by such Person under workmen’s compensation laws, unemployment insurance laws or similar legislation, or good faith deposits in connection with bids, tenders, contracts (other than for the payment of Indebtedness) or leases to which such Person is a party, or deposits to secure public or statutory obligations of such Person or deposits of cash or United States government bonds to secure surety or appeal bonds to which such Person is a party, or deposits as security for contested taxes or import duties or for the payment of rent, in each case Incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- (g) Liens imposed by law, such as carriers’, warehousemen’s and mechanics’ Liens, in each case for sums not yet due or being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings or other Liens arising out of

judgments or awards against such Person with respect to which such Person shall then be proceeding with an appeal or other proceedings for review;

(h) Liens for property taxes not yet subject to penalties for non-payment or which are being contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings;

(i) Liens in favor of issuers of surety bonds, performance bonds or letters of credit issued pursuant to the request of and for the account of such Person in the ordinary course of its business; *provided, however*, that such letters of credit (and reimbursement obligations thereunder) do not constitute Indebtedness;

(j) survey exceptions, encumbrances, easements or reservations of, or rights of others for, licenses, rights of way, sewers, electric lines, telegraph and telephone lines and other similar purposes, or zoning or other restrictions as to the use of real properties or Liens incidental to the conduct of the business of such Person or to the ownership of its properties which were not Incurred in connection with Indebtedness and which do not in the aggregate materially adversely affect the value of said properties or materially impair their use in the operation of the business of such Person;

(k) Liens securing Indebtedness incurred to finance the construction, purchase or lease of, or repairs, improvements or additions to, property of such Person; *provided, however*, that the Lien may not extend to any other property owned by such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries at the time the Lien is Incurred, and the Indebtedness secured by the Lien may not be Incurred more than 180 days after the later of the acquisition, completion of construction, repair, improvement, addition or commencement of full operation of the property subject to the Lien;

(l) Liens on property or shares of stock of another Person at the times such other Person becomes a Subsidiary of such Person; *provided, however*, that any such Lien may not extend to any other property owned by such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries;

(m) Liens securing Indebtedness or other obligations of a Subsidiary of such Person owing to such Person or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary of such Person (other than an Unrestricted Subsidiary);

(n) Liens Incurred by another Person on assets that are the subject of a Capital Lease Obligation to which such Person or a Subsidiary of such Person is a party; *provided, however*, that any such Lien may not secure Indebtedness of such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (except by virtue of clause (vii) of the definition of "Indebtedness") and may not extend to any other property owned by such Person or any Subsidiary of such Person;

(o) Liens securing Interest Rate Protection Agreements so long as the related Indebtedness is, and is permitted to be under the Indenture, secured by a Lien on the same property securing the Interest Rate Protection Agreement;

(p) Liens to secure any Refinancing (or successive Refinancings) as a whole, or in part, of any Indebtedness secured by any Lien (other than that referred to in clauses (b), (e), (q) and (r)); *provided, however*, that (x) such new Lien shall be limited to all or part of the same property that secured the original Lien (plus improvements on such property) and (y) the Indebtedness secured by such Lien at such time is not increased (other than by an amount necessary to pay fees and expenses, including premiums, related to the Refinancing of such Indebtedness);

(q) Liens incurred in connection with any Sale/Leaseback Transaction permitted pursuant to the covenant described under "— Certain covenants — Limitation on sale/leaseback transactions" securing borrowings of up to \$20 million;

(r) Liens with respect to any Indebtedness Incurred by any Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to clauses (b) (12) of the covenant described under "— Certain covenants — Limitation on indebtedness"; *provided that* such Lien shall only be a "Permitted Lien" so long as such Indebtedness requires a restriction on distributions referred to under clauses (b) (12) of the covenant described under "— Certain covenants — Limitation on indebtedness"; and

(s) Liens securing obligations under a Qualified Receivables Transaction; provided that such Liens do not extend to assets other than receivables assets (as defined in the definition of Qualified Receivables Transactions) or stock of the Accounts Receivable Entity.

“Person” means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization, government or any agency or political subdivision thereof or any other entity.

“Preferred Stock”, as applied to the Capital Stock of any corporation, means Capital Stock of any class or classes (however designated) which is preferred as to the payment of dividends, or as to the distribution of assets upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation or dissolution of such corporation, over shares of Capital Stock of any other class of such corporation.

“Principal” of a Note means the principal of the Note plus the premium, if any, payable on the Note which is due or overdue or is to become due at the relevant time.

“Purchase Money Indebtedness” means Indebtedness

(i) consisting of the deferred purchase price of property, conditional sale obligations, obligations under any title retention agreement and other purchase money obligations, including borrowings, in each case where the maturity of such indebtedness does not exceed the anticipated useful life of the asset being financed, and

(ii) Incurred to finance the acquisition or construction by any Subsidiary of such asset, including additions and improvements; *provided, however*, that any Lien arising in connection with any such Indebtedness shall be limited to the specified asset being financed or, in the case of real property or fixtures, including additions and improvements, the real property on which such asset is attached; and *provided further*, however, that the principal amount of such Indebtedness does not exceed the lesser of 85% of the cost or 85% of the fair market value of the asset being financed (such fair market value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors, as evidenced by a resolution).

“Qualified Capital Stock” means any Capital Stock other than Disqualified Capital Stock.

“Qualified Receivables Transactions” means any sale or sales by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary of accounts receivable and related assets (the “receivables assets”) intended to be a true sale transaction with customary limited recourse based upon the collectibility of the receivables sold and the corresponding pledge of such receivables assets (or an interest therein), in each case without any guarantee by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary other than by an Accounts Receivable Entity; provided that such transaction is on market terms at the time the Company, such Restricted Subsidiary or the Accounts Receivable Entity entered into such transaction.

“Rating Agencies” means (a) S&P, (b) Moody’s; or (c) if S&P or Moody’s or both shall not make a rating of the exchange notes publicly available, a nationally recognized securities rating agency or agencies, as the case may be, selected by the Company, which shall be substituted for S&P or Moody’s or both, as the case may be.

“Refinance” means, in respect of any indebtedness, to refinance, extend, renew, refund, repay, prepay, redeem, defease or retire, or to issue Indebtedness in exchange or replacement for, such Indebtedness. “Refinanced” and “Refinancing” shall have correlative meanings.

“Refinancing Indebtedness” means Indebtedness that Refinances any Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary Incurred in compliance with the Indenture; *provided, however*, that

(i) such Refinancing Indebtedness has a Stated Maturity no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Indebtedness being Refinanced;

(ii) such Refinancing Indebtedness has an Average Life at the time such Refinancing indebtedness is Incurred that is equal to or greater than the Average Life of the indebtedness being Refinanced;

(iii) such Refinancing Indebtedness has an aggregate principal amount (or if Incurred with original issue discount, an aggregate issue price) that is equal to or less than the aggregate principal amount (or if incurred with original issue discount, the aggregate accreted value) then outstanding or committed (plus fees and expenses, including any premium and defeasance costs) under the Indebtedness being Refinanced; *provided* further, however, that Refinancing Indebtedness shall not include (x) Indebtedness of a Subsidiary that refinances Indebtedness of the Company or (y) Indebtedness of the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary that refinances Indebtedness of an Unrestricted Subsidiary; and

(iv) such Refinancing Indebtedness is subordinated in right of payment to the exchange notes at least to the extent that the Indebtedness to be Refinanced is subordinated in right of payment to the exchange notes.

“Related Business” means any business related, ancillary or complementary to the businesses of the Company and the Restricted Subsidiaries on the Issue Date.

“Restricted Payment” with respect to any Person means

(i) the declaration or payment of any dividends or any other distributions of any sort in respect of its Capital Stock (including any payment in connection with any merger or consolidation involving such Person) or similar payment to the direct or indirect holders of its Capital Stock (other than dividends or distributions payable solely in its Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Capital Stock) or rights to acquire its Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Capital Stock) and dividends or distributions payable solely to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary, and other than pro rata dividends or other distributions made by a Subsidiary to minority stockholders (or owners of an equivalent interest in the case of a Subsidiary that is an entity other than a corporation)),

(ii) the purchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement for value of any Capital Stock of the Company or of any Restricted Subsidiary held by any Person or of any Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary held by any Affiliate of the Company (other than a Wholly Owned Subsidiary), including the exercise of any option to exchange any Capital Stock (other than into Capital Stock of the Company that is not Disqualified Capital Stock), or

(iii) the making of any Investment in any Person (other than (x) a Permitted Investment or (y) any Investment made to acquire a Restricted Subsidiary).

“Restricted Subsidiary” means any Subsidiary of the Company that is not an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

“S&P” means Standard and Poor’s Rating Group or any successor to its debt rating business.

“Sale/Leaseback Transaction” means an arrangement relating to property now owned or hereafter acquired whereby the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary transfers such property to a Person and leases it back from such Person, other than leases for a term of not more than 12 months or between the Company and a Wholly Owned Subsidiary or between Wholly Owned Subsidiaries.

“Securities Act” means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

“SEC” means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

“Senior Indebtedness” means

(i) Indebtedness of the Company, whether outstanding on the Issue Date or thereafter Incurred; and

(ii) accrued and unpaid interest (including interest accruing on or after the filing of any petition in bankruptcy or for reorganization relating to the Company to the extent post-filing interest is allowed in such proceeding) in respect of

(A) Indebtedness of the Company for money borrowed and

(B) Indebtedness evidenced by exchange notes, debentures, bonds or other similar instruments for the payment of which the Company is responsible or liable unless, in the instrument creating or evidencing the same or pursuant to which the same is outstanding, it is provided that such obligations are subordinate in right of payment to the exchange notes;

provided, however, that Senior Indebtedness shall not include

(1) any obligation of the Company to any Subsidiary,

(2) any liability for federal, state, local or other taxes owed or owing by the Company,

(3) any accounts payable or other liability to trade creditors arising in the ordinary course of business (including guarantees thereof or instruments evidencing such liabilities),

(4) any Indebtedness of the Company (and any accrued and unpaid interest in respect thereof) which is expressly subordinate in right of payment to any other Indebtedness or other obligation of the Company or

(5) that portion of any Indebtedness which at the time of Incurrence is Incurred in violation of the indenture.

“Significant Subsidiary” with respect to any Person, means any Restricted Subsidiary of such Person that satisfies the criteria of a “significant subsidiary” set forth in Rule 1-02(w) of Regulation S-X under the Exchange Act.

“Stated Maturity” means, with respect to any security, the date specified in such security as the fixed date on which the final payment of principal of such security is due and payable, including pursuant to any mandatory redemption provision (but excluding any provision providing for the repurchase of such security at the option of the holder thereof upon the happening of any contingency unless such contingency has occurred).

“Subordinated Indebtedness” means any Indebtedness of the Company (whether outstanding on the Issue Date or thereafter Incurred) which is subordinate or junior in right of payment to the exchange notes pursuant to a written agreement to that effect.

“Subsidiary” means, in respect of any Person, any corporation, association, partnership or other business entity of which more than 50% of the total voting power of shares of Capital Stock or other interests (including partnership interests) entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees thereof is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by (i) such Person, (ii) such Person and one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or (iii) one or more Subsidiaries of such Person.

“Trustee” means the party named as such in this Indenture until a successor replaces it in accordance with the applicable provisions hereof, and thereafter means such successor serving hereunder.

“Unrestricted Subsidiary” means (i) any Subsidiary of the Company that at the time of determination shall be designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary by the Board of Directors in the covenant under “Limitation on Unrestricted Subsidiaries” and (ii) any Subsidiary of an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

“U.S. Government Obligations” means direct obligations (or certificates representing an ownership interest in such obligations) of the United States of America (including any agency or instrumentality thereof) for the

payment of which the full faith and credit of the United States of America is pledged and which are not callable at the issuer's option.

"Vestar" means Vestar WABCO Investors, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"Vestar Capital" means Vestar Capital Partners, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Voting Stock" of a corporation means all classes of Capital Stock of such corporation then outstanding and normally entitled to vote in the election of directors.

"Wholly Owned Subsidiary" means a Restricted Subsidiary all the Capital Stock of which (other than directors' qualifying shares and shares held by other Persons to the extent such shares are required by applicable law to be held by a Person other than the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary) is owned by the Company or one or more Wholly Owned Subsidiaries.

Certain covenants

The Indenture contains covenants including, among others, the covenants described below.

Limitation on indebtedness. (a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, Incur any Indebtedness (other than Permitted Indebtedness) except that the Company and any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Guarantor may incur Indebtedness if, after giving effect thereto (i) the Consolidated Coverage Ratio at the date of such Incurrence exceeds 2.5 to 1.0 (this clause (i), the "Coverage Ratio Exception"); and (ii) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time or as a consequence of the Incurrence of such Indebtedness.

(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph (a), the Company and the Restricted Subsidiaries, may Incur any or all of the following indebtedness (collectively, "Permitted Indebtedness"):

(1) Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to the Credit Agreement so long as the aggregate principal amount of such Indebtedness outstanding at any time shall not exceed \$370 million;

(2) Subordinated Indebtedness owed to and held by a Wholly Owned Subsidiary; *provided, however*, that any subsequent issuance or transfer of any Capital Stock or any other event which results in any such Wholly Owned Subsidiary ceasing to be a Wholly Owned Subsidiary or any Subsequent transfer of such Subordinated Indebtedness (other than to another Wholly Owned Subsidiary) shall be deemed, in each case, to constitute the Incurrence of such Subordinated Indebtedness by the Company;

(3) Indebtedness pursuant to the exchange notes issued on the Issue Date;

(4) Indebtedness of such Person outstanding on the Issue Date (other than Indebtedness described in clause (1) of this covenant);

(5) Refinancing Indebtedness in respect of Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to paragraph (a) or pursuant to clause (3) or (4) or this clause (5) of this covenant;

(6) Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount which, together with all other Indebtedness of the Company then outstanding does not exceed \$30 million;

(7) Indebtedness arising out of Capital Lease Obligations, Purchase Money Indebtedness and Sale/Leaseback Transactions permitted pursuant to the covenant described under "Limitation on sale/leaseback transactions" in an aggregate principal amount outstanding at any one time not exceeding \$20.0 million;

(8) Indebtedness or Capital Stock issued to and held by the Company or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary; *provided, however*, that any subsequent issuance or transfer of any Capital Stock or any other event which results in any such Wholly Owned Subsidiary ceasing to be a Wholly Owned Subsidiary or any subsequent transfer of such Indebtedness or Capital Stock (other than to the Company or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary)

shall be deemed, in each case, to constitute the issuance of such Indebtedness or Capital Stock by the issuer thereof;

(9) Indebtedness or Capital Stock of a Subsidiary Incurred and outstanding on or prior to the date on which such Subsidiary was acquired by the Company (other than Indebtedness or Capital Stock Incurred in connection with, or to, provide all or any portion of the funds or credit support utilized to consummate, the transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which such Subsidiary became a Subsidiary or was acquired by the Company) and Refinancing Indebtedness Incurred in respect thereof; *provided, however*, that such Refinancing Indebtedness shall only be permitted under this clause (9) to the extent Incurred by the Subsidiary that originally incurred such Indebtedness;

(10) Indebtedness Incurred by any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Foreign Subsidiary; *provided, however*, that any such Indebtedness Incurred by such Restricted Subsidiary shall not exceed 20% of the Consolidated Assets of such Restricted Subsidiary;

(11) Indebtedness Incurred by any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Foreign Subsidiary for the purpose of acquiring a Restricted Subsidiary that is a Foreign Subsidiary; *provided*, the principal amount of such Indebtedness may not exceed the purchase price for such Subsidiary; *provided* further, that after giving effect to the Incurrence of such Indebtedness, the Company would be able to Incur an additional \$1.00 of Indebtedness pursuant to paragraph (a) of the covenant described under "Limitation on indebtedness," and any refinancings thereof by such Restricted Subsidiary provided that the principal amount thereof is not increased; and

(12) Indebtedness and other obligations pursuant to Qualified Receivables Transactions in an amount outstanding at any time not to exceed \$150.0 million; provided that such amount (together with the amount of Indebtedness then outstanding and incurred pursuant to clause (1) above) shall not exceed \$420.0 million in the aggregate at any time outstanding.

(c) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Guarantor to, directly or indirectly, incur any indebtedness which by its terms (or by the terms of any agreement governing such Indebtedness) is expressly subordinated in right of payment to any other indebtedness of the Company or such Guarantor, as the case may be, unless such Indebtedness is also by its terms (or by the terms of any agreement governing such Indebtedness) made expressly subordinate to the exchange notes or the applicable Guarantee, as the case may be, to the same extent and in the same manner as such Indebtedness is subordinated to other Indebtedness of the Company or such Guarantor, as the case may be.

Limitation on restricted payments. (a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary, directly or indirectly, to make a Restricted Payment if at the time the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary makes such Restricted Payment:

(1) a Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing (or would result therefrom); or

(2) the Company is not able to Incur an additional \$1.00 of Indebtedness pursuant to paragraph (a) of the covenant described under "Limitation on indebtedness"; or

(3) the aggregate amount of such Restricted Payment (including such proposed Restricted Payment) made subsequent to the Issue Date would exceed the sum of

(A) 50% of the Consolidated Net Income of the Company earned during the period subsequent to June 30, 2003 and ending prior to the date of such Restricted Payment (such date, the "Reference Date") (or, in case such Consolidated Net Income shall be a deficit, minus 100% of such deficit);

(B) 100% the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds received by the Company from the issuance or sale subsequent to June 30, 2003 and on or prior to the Reference Date of Qualified Capital Stock of the Company or warrants, options or other rights to acquire Qualified Capital Stock of the Company (but excluding any debt security that is convertible into, or exchangeable for, Qualified Capital Stock); and

(C) \$10.0 million.

(b) The provisions of the foregoing paragraph (a) shall not prohibit:

(i) dividends paid within 60 days after the date of declaration thereof if at such date of declaration such dividend would have complied with this covenant; provided, however, that at the time of payment of such dividend, no other Default shall have occurred and be continuing (or result therefrom); provided further, however, that such dividend shall be included in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;

(ii) the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries from making loans or advancements to, or investments in, any Joint Venture in an aggregate amount not exceeding \$25.0 million plus the lesser of (i) any amounts received as repayment of any such loan, advancement or investment and (ii) the initial amount thereof;

(iii) any purchase or redemption of Capital Stock of the Company made by exchange for, or out of the proceeds of the substantially concurrent sale of, Capital Stock of the Company (other than Disqualified Capital Stock and other than Capital Stock issued or sold to a Subsidiary of the Company); provided, however, that (A) such purchase or redemption shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments, and (B) any Net Cash Proceeds from such sale shall be excluded from the calculation of amounts under clause (3)(B) of paragraph (a) above; and

(iv) loans and advances to employees of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries for travel, entertainment and relocation expenses in the ordinary course of business in an aggregate amount outstanding at any one time not to exceed \$5.0 million.

For purposes of performing the calculation specified in clause (a)(3) above, amounts paid in respect of clause (i) of this paragraph (b) shall be counted as Restricted Payments and amounts paid in respect of clauses (ii) and (iii) of this paragraph (b) shall not be counted as a Restricted Payments. Any sale or transfer of property by an Unrestricted Subsidiary, to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary with the intention of taking back a lease of that property will be considered a loan to that Unrestricted Subsidiary for this purpose.

Limitation on restrictions on distributions from restricted subsidiaries. The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, create or otherwise cause or permit to exist or become effective any consensual encumbrance or restriction on the ability of any Restricted Subsidiary:

(i) to pay dividends or make any other distributions on its Capital Stock or pay any indebtedness owed to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary,

(ii) to make any loans or advances to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary,

(iii) to transfer any of its property or assets to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary or

(iv) to make payments in respect of any Indebtedness owed to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, except:

(1) any such encumbrance or restriction pursuant to: (x) an agreement in effect at or entered into on the Issue Date, (y) the Credit Agreement and any guarantees thereunder or (z) agreements governing Qualified Receivables Transaction, provided that such restrictions only apply to receivables assets (as defined in the definition of Qualified Receivables Transactions) or stock of the Accounts Receivable Entity;

(2) any such encumbrance or restriction with respect to a Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to an agreement relating to any Indebtedness Incurred by such Restricted Subsidiary on or prior to the date on which such Restricted Subsidiary was acquired by the Company (other than Indebtedness Incurred as consideration in, or to provide all or any portion of the funds or credit support utilized to consummate, the transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which such Restricted Subsidiary became a Restricted Subsidiary or was acquired by the Company) and outstanding on such date;

(3) any such encumbrance or restriction pursuant to an agreement effecting a Refinancing of Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to an agreement referred to in clause (1)(x) or (2) of this covenant or

contained in any amendment to an agreement referred to in clause (1)(x) or (2) of this covenant; provided, however, that the encumbrances and restrictions with respect to such Restricted Subsidiary contained in any such refinancing agreement or amendment are no less favorable to the Holders of the exchange notes than any such encumbrances and restrictions with respect to such Restricted Subsidiary contained in such agreements;

(4) any such encumbrance or restriction consisting of customary nonassignment provisions in leases governing leasehold interests to the extent such provisions restrict the transfer of the lease or the property leased thereunder;

(5) in the case of clause (iii) above, encumbrances and restrictions contained in security agreements or mortgages securing Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary to the extent such restrictions restrict the transfer of the property subject to such security agreements or mortgages;

(6) any such encumbrance or restriction with respect to a Restricted Subsidiary imposed pursuant to an agreement entered into for the sale or disposition of all or substantially all the Capital Stock or assets of such Restricted Subsidiary pending the closing of such sale or disposition;

(7) any such encumbrance or restriction with respect to any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Foreign Subsidiary pursuant to an agreement relating to Indebtedness permitted to be Incurred pursuant to clause (9) of the covenant described under "Limitation on indebtedness"; and

(8) restrictions imposed by applicable law.

Limitation on sales of assets. (a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, make any Asset Disposition unless:

(i) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, receives consideration at the time of such sale or other disposition at least equal to the Fair Market Value thereof;

(ii) at least 75% of the consideration received by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, consists of cash or Cash Equivalents; *provided, however,* that the amount of any Senior Indebtedness of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary that is assumed by the transferee in any such transaction shall be deemed to be cash for purposes of this provision (a);

(iii) upon the consummation of an Asset Disposition, the Company shall apply, or cause such Restricted Subsidiary to apply, an amount equal to 100% of the Net Available Cash from such Asset Disposition within 365 days from the later of such Asset Disposition or the receipt of such Net Available Cash to (A) repay, prepay or purchase Senior Indebtedness (including, without limitation, obligations under the Credit Agreement (including cash collateralization of any such obligations)) or (B) acquire Additional Assets; and

(iv) On the 366th day after any Asset Disposition or such earlier date, if any, as the board of directors of the Company determines not to apply the Net Available Cash relating to such Asset Disposition as set forth above in clause (iii)(A) or (B) and the aggregate amount of such Net Available Cash equals at least \$5.0 million (the "Asset Sale Offer Trigger Date"), the aggregate amount of such Net Available Cash (such amount, the "Asset Sale Offer Amount") to make an offer to purchase (the "Asset Sale Offer") on a date (the "Asset Sale Offer Date") that is not less than 30 nor more than 60 days following the applicable Asset Sale Offer Trigger Date, from all Holders on a pro rata basis, that amount of exchange notes equal to the Asset Sale Offer Amount at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount: of such exchange notes to be purchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, thereon to the date of purchase.

The Company will comply, to the extent applicable, with the requirements of Section 14(e) of the Exchange Act and any other applicable laws or regulations thereunder in connection with the repurchase of exchange notes pursuant to the indenture. To the extent that the provisions of any applicable laws or regulations conflict with the provisions of this covenant, the Company shall comply with the applicable laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under the indenture by virtue of any conflict.

(b) In the event of the transfer of substantially all (but not all) the property and assets of the Company as an entirety to a Person in a transaction permitted under “Merger and consolidation,” the Successor Company (as defined therein) shall be deemed to have sold the properties and assets of the Company not so transferred for purposes of this covenant, and shall comply with the provisions of this covenant with respect to such deemed sale as if it were an Asset Disposition and the Successor Company shall be deemed to have received Net Available Cash in an amount equal to the fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors) of the properties and assets not so transferred or sold.

Limitation on affiliate transactions. (a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into or permit to exist any transaction or series of transactions (including the purchase, sale, lease or exchange of any property, employee compensation arrangements or the rendering of any service) with any Affiliate of the Company (an “Affiliate Transaction”) unless the terms thereof are no less favorable to the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary than those which could be obtained at the time of such transaction in arm’s-length dealings with a Person who is not such an Affiliate.

In addition, the Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into any Affiliate Transaction unless:

(i) with respect to such Affiliate Transaction involving the aggregate value, remuneration or other consideration of more than \$1.0 million but less than or equal to \$5.0 million, the Company has obtained approval of a majority of the Board of Directors of the Company (including a majority of the disinterested directors); and

(ii) with respect to such Affiliate Transaction involving the aggregate value, remuneration or other consideration of more than \$5.0 million, the Company has delivered to the Trustee an opinion of a nationally recognized investment banking firm to the effect that such Affiliate Transaction is fair to the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, from a financial point of view.

(b) The provisions of the foregoing paragraph (a) shall not prohibit:

(i) any Restricted Payment permitted to be paid pursuant to the covenant described under “Limitation on restricted payments”;

(ii) employment, consulting and compensation arrangements and agreements of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary consistent with past practice or approved by the Board of Directors;

(iii) the grant of stock options or similar rights to employees and directors of the Company pursuant to plans approved by the Board of Directors;

(iv) any Affiliate Transaction between the Company and a Restricted Subsidiary or between Restricted Subsidiaries.

Change of control. (a) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each Holder shall have the right to require that the Company repurchase such Holder’s exchange notes (a “Change of Control Offer”) at a purchase price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase (subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest on the relevant interest payment date), in accordance with the terms contemplated in paragraph (b) below.

(b) Within 30 days following any Change of Control, the Company shall mail a notice to each Holder with a copy to the Trustee stating:

(1) that a Change of Control has occurred and that such Holder has the right to require the Company to purchase such Holder’s exchange notes at a purchase price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase (subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest on the relevant interest payment date);

(2) the circumstances and relevant facts regarding such Change of Control (including information with respect to pro forma historical income, cash flow and capitalization after giving effect to such Change of Control);

(3) the repurchase date (which shall be no earlier than 30 days nor later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed); and

(4) the instructions determined by the Company, consistent with this covenant, that a Holder must follow in order to have its exchange notes purchased.

(c) The Company shall comply, to the extent applicable, with the requirements of Section 14(e) of the Exchange Act and any other applicable laws or regulations in connection with the purchase of exchange notes pursuant to this covenant. To the extent that the provisions of any applicable laws or regulations conflict with the provisions of this covenant, the Company shall comply with the applicable laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under this covenant by virtue thereof.

The Change of Control purchase feature of the exchange notes may in certain circumstances make more difficult or discourage a takeover of the Company and, thus, the removal of incumbent management. In addition, the Company may be prohibited under the terms of its other financing instruments from repurchasing the exchange notes upon a Change of Control. Finally, there can be no assurance that the Company will have the financial ability to purchase the exchange notes upon a Change of Control.

Limitation on unrestricted subsidiaries. The Company may, on or after the Issue Date, designate any Subsidiary of the Company (other than a Subsidiary of the Company which owns Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary or is a Guarantor) as an “Unrestricted Subsidiary” under the Indenture (a “Designation”) only if:

(1) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time of or after giving effect to such Designation;

(2) the Company would be permitted under the Indenture to make an Investment at the time of Designation (assuming the effectiveness of such Designation) in an amount (the “Designation Amount”) equal to the sum of (A) the Fair Market Value of the Capital Stock of such Subsidiary owned by the Company and/or any of the Restricted Subsidiaries on such date and (B) the aggregate amount of Indebtedness of such Subsidiary owed to the Company and the Restricted Subsidiaries on such date; and

(3) the Company would be permitted to incur \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness (other than Permitted Indebtedness) pursuant to the covenant described under “—Limitation on indebtedness” at the time of Designation (assuming the effectiveness of such Designation).

In the event of any such Designation, the Company shall be deemed to have made an Investment constituting a Restricted Payment in the Designation Amount pursuant to the covenant described under “—Limitation on restricted payments” for all purposes of the Indenture.

The Indenture further provides that the Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, at any time:

(x) provide direct or indirect credit support for or a guarantee of any Indebtedness of any Unrestricted Subsidiary (including any undertaking agreement or instrument evidencing such Indebtedness);

(y) be directly or indirectly liable for any Indebtedness of any Unrestricted Subsidiary; or

(z) be directly or indirectly liable for any Indebtedness which provides that the holder thereof may (upon notice, lapse of time or both) declare a default thereon or cause the payment thereof to be accelerated or payable prior to its final scheduled maturity upon the occurrence of a default with respect to any Indebtedness of any Unrestricted Subsidiary (including any right to take enforcement action against such Unrestricted Subsidiary), except, in the case of clause (x) or (y), to the extent permitted under the covenant described under “—Limitation on restricted payments.”

The Indenture further provides that the Company may revoke any Designation of a Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary (“Revocation”), whereupon such Subsidiary shall then constitute a Restricted Subsidiary, if

(1) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time and after giving effect to such Revocation; and

(2) all Liens and Indebtedness of such Unrestricted Subsidiaries outstanding immediately following such Revocation would, if incurred at such time, have been permitted to be incurred for all purposes of the Indenture.

All Designations and Revocations must be evidenced by an officers’ certificate of the Company delivered to the trustee certifying compliance with the foregoing provisions.

Limitation on liens. The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, Incur or permit to exist any Lien of any nature whatsoever on any of its properties (including Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary), whether owned at the Issue Date or thereafter acquired, other than Permitted Liens, without effectively providing that the exchange notes shall be secured equally and ratably with (or prior to, in the case of any Subordinated Indebtedness so secured) the obligations so secured for so long as such obligations are so secured.

Limitation on sale/leaseback transactions. The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into any Sale/Leaseback Transaction with respect to any property unless (i) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary would be entitled to create a Lien on such property without equally and ratably securing the exchange notes pursuant to the covenant described under “Limitation on liens” or (ii) the net proceeds of such sale are at least equal to the fair value (as determined by the Board of Directors) of such property and the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary shall apply or cause to be applied an amount in cash equal to the net proceeds of such sale to the retirement, within 30 days of the effective date of such Sale/Leaseback Transaction, of Senior Indebtedness of the Company (including the exchange notes) or Indebtedness or Preferred Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary.

Merger and consolidation. Neither the Company nor any Guarantor shall consolidate with or merge with or into, or convey, transfer or lease all or substantially all its assets to, any Person, unless:

(i) the resulting, surviving or transferee Person (the “Successor Company”) shall be a Person organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, any state thereof or the District of Columbia and the Successor Company (if not the Company or such Guarantor) shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to the Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, all the obligations of the Company under the exchange notes and Indenture or the Guarantor under the Guarantee and Indenture, as applicable;

(ii) immediately after giving effect to such transaction (and treating any Indebtedness which becomes an obligation of the Successor Company or any Subsidiary as a result of such transaction as having been Incurred by such Successor Company or such Subsidiary at the time of such transaction), no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing; and

(iii) immediately after giving effect to such transaction, the Successor Company would be able to Incur at least an additional \$1.00 of Indebtedness pursuant to the Coverage Ratio Exception.

The Company shall deliver to the Trustee prior to the consummation of the proposed transaction an Officer’s Certificate to the foregoing effect and an Opinion of Counsel stating that the proposed transaction and such supplemental indenture comply with the Indenture.

The Successor Company shall be the successor to the Company and shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Company under the Indenture, but the predecessor Company in

the case of a conveyance, transfer or lease shall not be released from the obligation to pay the principal of and interest on the exchange notes.

SEC reports. Notwithstanding that the Company may not be required to remain subject to the reporting requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, the Company shall file with the SEC and provide the Trustee and Holders of the exchange notes:

(1) all quarterly and annual financial information that would be required to be contained in a filing with the Commission on Forms 10-Q and 10-K if the Company were required to file such Forms, including a “Management’s discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations” that describes the financial condition and results of operations of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries (showing in reasonable detail, either on the face of the financial statements or in the foot exchange notes thereto and in Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries separate from the financial condition and results of operations of the Unrestricted Subsidiaries of the Company, if any) and, with respect to the annual information only, a report thereon by the Company’s certified independent accountants; and

(2) all current reports that would be required to be filed with the Commission on Form 8-K if the Company were required to file such reports, in each case within the time periods specified in the Commission’s rules and regulations.

In addition, following the consummation of the exchange offer contemplated by the registration rights agreement, whether or not required by the rules and regulations of the Commission, the Company will file a copy of all such information and reports with the Commission for public availability within the time periods specified in the Commission’s rules and regulations (unless the Commission will not accept such a filing) and make such information available to securities analysts and prospective investors upon request. In addition, the Company has agreed that, for so long as any exchange notes remain outstanding, it will furnish to the Holders and to securities analysts and prospective investors, upon their request, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

Suspension of covenants. During any period in which the exchange notes are rated Investment Grade by both Rating Agencies and no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing under, the indenture (the “Suspension Period”), the covenants described under the following headings, will not apply:

- (1) “—Certain covenants — Limitation on indebtedness”;
- (2) “—Certain covenants — Limitation on restricted payments”;
- (3) “—Certain covenants — Limitation on restrictions on distributions from restricted subsidiaries”;
- (4) “—Certain covenants — Limitation on sales of assets”;
- (5) “—Certain covenants — Limitation on affiliate transactions”; and
- (6) “—Certain covenants — Limitation on unrestricted subsidiaries.”

(collectively, the “Suspended Covenants”). Upon the suspension of the Suspended Covenants, the amount of Net Cash Proceeds for purposes of “—Certain covenants — Limitation on sales of assets” shall be set at zero.

In the event that we and our Restricted Subsidiaries are not subject to the Suspended Covenants for any period of time as a result of the preceding paragraph and either Rating Agency subsequently withdraws its rating or downgrades its rating of the exchange notes below Investment Grade, or a Default or Event of Default occurs and is continuing, then we and our Restricted Subsidiaries will thereafter again be subject to the Suspended Covenants (such date, the “Reversion Date”). On the Reversion Date, all Indebtedness incurred during the Suspension Period prior to such Reversion Date will be deemed to have been outstanding on the Issue Date and

classified as permitted under clause (b)(4) of the covenant “—Limitation on indebtedness.” For purposes of calculating the amount available to be made as Restricted Payments under clause (a)(3) of the covenant “—Limitation on restricted payments,” calculations under that clause will be made with reference to the Issue Date as set forth in that clause. Accordingly, (x) Restricted Payments made during the Suspension Period not otherwise permitted pursuant to clause (b) of the covenant “—Limitation on indebtedness” will reduce the amount available to be made as Restricted Payments under clause (a) of such covenant and (y) the items specified in clauses (a)(3)(A) and (a)(3)(B) of such covenant will increase the amount available to be made as Restricted Payments under clause (a)(3) of such covenant.

The Indenture also permits, without causing a Default or Event of Default, the results of actions taken by us and our Restricted Subsidiaries during the period in which the exchange notes are rated Investment Grade to remain in place after any date on which the exchange notes are no longer rated Investment Grade.

Defaults

An Event of Default is defined in the Indenture as

- (i) a default in the payment of interest on the exchange notes when due, continued for 30 days;
- (ii) a default in the payment of principal of any Note when due at its Stated Maturity, upon redemption, upon required repurchase, upon declaration or otherwise;
- (iii) the failure by the Company to comply for 30 days after notice with its obligations under “—Certain covenants” and its other agreements contained in the Indenture (except in the case of a default with respect to the covenants described under “—Certain covenants — Change of control” and “—Certain covenants — Merger and consolidation,” which will constitute Events of Default with notice but without passage of time);
- (iv) Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary is accelerated by the holders thereof because of a default and the total amount of such Indebtedness accelerated exceeds \$10.0 million, or its foreign currency equivalent, with respect to any individual Indebtedness or, together with all Indebtedness unpaid when due after giving effect to any applicable grace period provided in such Indebtedness or accelerated, aggregates \$15.0 million, or its foreign currency equivalent (at least \$7.5 million of which is Indebtedness that has been accelerated);
- (v) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary (the “bankruptcy provisions”);
- (vi) any judgment or decree for the payment of money in excess of \$10.0 million (or its foreign currency equivalent) (to the extent not covered by insurance) with respect to any individual judgment or decree or aggregating \$15.0 million (or its foreign currency equivalent) is rendered against the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary and is not discharged, paid or stayed for a period of 60 days after such judgment or judgments become final and non-appealable (the “judgment default provision”); or
- (vii) the Guarantee of any Significant Subsidiary ceases to be in full force and effect (except as contemplated by the terms of the Guarantee and the indenture) or is declared null and void in a judicial proceeding or any Guarantor denies or disaffirms its obligations under the indenture or its Guarantee.

If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding exchange notes may declare the principal of and accrued but unpaid interest on all the exchange notes to be due and payable. Upon such a declaration, such principal and interest shall be due and payable immediately. If an Event of Default relating to certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of the Company occurs and is continuing, the principal of and interest on all the exchange notes will ipso facto become and be immediately due and payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any holders of the exchange notes. Under certain circumstances, the holders of a majority in

principal amount of the outstanding exchange notes may rescind any such acceleration with respect to the exchange notes and its consequences.

Subject to the provisions of the Indenture relating to the duties of the Trustee, in case an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers under the Indenture at the request or direction of any of the holders of the exchange notes unless such holders have offered to the Trustee reasonable indemnity or security against any loss, liability or expense. Except to enforce the right to receive payment of principal, premium (if any) or interest when due, no Holder of a Note may pursue any remedy with respect to the Indenture or the exchange notes unless:

- (i) such Holder has previously given the Trustee notice that an Event of Default is continuing,
- (ii) holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding exchange notes have requested the Trustee to pursue the remedy;
- (iii) such holders have offered the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against any loss, liability or expense;
- (iv) the Trustee has not complied with such request within 60 days after the receipt thereof and the offer of security or indemnity; and
- (v) the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding exchange notes have not given the Trustee a direction inconsistent with such request within such 60-day period. Subject to certain restrictions, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding exchange notes are given the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or of exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee. The Trustee, however, may refuse to follow any direction that conflicts with law or the Indenture or that the Trustee determines is unduly prejudicial to the rights of any other Holder of a Note or that would involve the Trustee in personal liability.

The Indenture provides that if a Default occurs and is continuing and is known to the Trustee, the Trustee must mail to each Holder of the exchange notes notice of the Default within 90 days after it occurs. Except in the case of a Default in the payment of principal of, premium (if any) or interest on any Note, the Trustee may withhold notice if and so long as a committee of its trust officers in good faith determines that withholding notice is not opposed to the interest of the holders of the exchange notes. In addition, the Company is required to deliver to the Trustee, within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year, a certificate indicating whether the signers thereof know of any Default that occurred during the previous year. The Company also is required to deliver to the Trustee, within 30 days after the occurrence thereof, written notice of any event which would constitute certain Defaults, their status and what action the Company is taking or proposes to take in respect thereof.

Amendments and waivers

Subject to certain exceptions, the Indenture may be amended with the consent of the holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the exchange notes then outstanding and any past default or compliance with any provisions may be waived with the consent of the holders of a majority in principal amount of the exchange notes then outstanding, subject to certain exceptions. However, without the consent of each affected Holder of an outstanding Note, no amendment may, among other things,

- (i) reduce the principal amount of exchange notes whose holders must consent to an amendment;
- (ii) reduce the stated rate of or extend the stated time for payment of interest, including default interest, on any Note;
- (iii) reduce the principal of, any installment of interest on or any premium with respect to any Note, change the Stated Maturity of any Note or change the periods during which any Note may be redeemed as described under “—Equity clawback” above;
- (iv) make any Note payable in currency other than that stated in the Note;

(v) impair the right of any Holder of the exchange notes to receive payment of principal of and interest on exchange notes on or after the due dates therefor or to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment on or with respect to such Holder's exchange notes;

(vi) after the Company's obligation to purchase exchange notes arises thereunder, amend, change or modify in any material respect in a manner adverse to the Holders of the obligation of the Company to make and consummate a Change of Control Offer in the event of a Change of Control or make and consummate an Asset Sale Offer with respect to any Asset Disposition that has been consummated or, after such Change of Control has occurred or such Asset Disposition has been consummated, modify any of the provisions or definitions with respect thereto;

(vii) reduce the percentage in principal amount of outstanding exchange notes the consent of the holders of which is necessary to amend the Indenture, to waive compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or to waive certain defaults; or

(viii) release any Guarantor from any of its obligations under the Guarantee or the Indenture, except as permitted by the Indenture.

Without the consent of any Holder of the exchange notes, the Company and Trustee may amend the Indenture to: (i) cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency, (ii) provide for the assumption by a successor corporation of the obligations of the Company under the Indenture, (iii) provide for uncertificated exchange notes in addition to or in place of certificated exchange notes, to secure the exchange notes, (iv) provide for a replacement trustee, (v) add to the covenants and agreements of the Company, or any other obligor with respect to the exchange notes, for the benefit of the holders of the exchange notes or to surrender any right or power conferred upon the Company, or (vi) to make any change that does not adversely affect the rights of any Holder of the exchange notes.

After an amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver under the Indenture becomes effective, the Company is required to mail to holders of the exchange notes affected thereby a copy of such amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver and a notice briefly describing such amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver. However, the failure to give such notice, or any defect therein, will not impair or affect the validity of the amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver.

No personal liability of directors, officers, employees, incorporator and stockholders

No director, officer, employee, incorporator or stockholder of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, as such, shall have any liability for any obligations of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries under the exchange notes or the Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of, such obligations or their creation. Each Holder of exchange notes by accepting a Note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for issuance of the exchange notes.

Defeasance

The Company may, at its option and at any time, elect to have its obligations and the obligations of any Guarantors discharged with respect to the outstanding exchange notes ("Legal Defeasance"). Such Legal Defeasance means that the Company shall be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire indebtedness represented by the outstanding exchange notes, except for:

- (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange and the Company's right of redemption;
- (ii) substitution of apparently mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen exchange notes;
- (iii) rights of holders of the exchange notes to receive payments of principal and interest on the exchange notes;
- (iv) rights, obligations and immunities of the Trustee under the Indenture; and

(v) rights of the holders of the exchange notes as beneficiaries of the Indenture with respect to the property so deposited with the Trustee payable to all or any of them.

In addition, the Company may, at its option and at any time, elect to have obligations of the Company released with respect to certain covenants that are described in the Indenture (“Covenant Defeasance”) and thereafter any omission to comply with such obligations shall not constitute a Default or Event of Default with respect to the exchange notes. In the event Covenant Defeasance occurs, certain events (not including non-payment, bankruptcy, receivership, reorganization and insolvency events) described under “-Default” will no longer constitute an Event of Default.

In order to exercise either Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance, the Company:

(1) must irrevocably deposit with the Trustee, in trust, for the benefit of the Holders cash in U.S. dollars, non-callable 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 on the exchange notes on the stated date for payment thereof or on the applicable redemption date, as the case may be;

(2) 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 the 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 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;

(3) 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 the Trustee confirming that the Holders 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;

(4) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing on the date of such deposit (other than a Default or an Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit and the grant of any Lien securing such borrowings);

(5) such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance shall not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under the indenture (other than a Default or an Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit: and the grant of any Lien securing such borrowings) 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 its Subsidiaries is bound;

(6) 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 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;

(7) the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an officers’ certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent provided for or relating to the Legal Defeasance or the Covenant Defeasance have been complied with;

(8) the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an opinion of counsel to the effect that assuming no intervening bankruptcy of the Company between the date of deposit and the 91st day following the date of deposit and that no Holder is an insider of the Company, after the 91st day following the date of deposit, the trust funds will not be subject to the effect of any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally; and

(9) certain other customary conditions precedent are satisfied.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the opinion of counsel required by clause (2) above with respect to a Legal Defeasance need not be delivered if all exchange notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation (1) have become due and payable or (2) will become due and payable on the maturity date within one year, or are to be called for redemption within one year, under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Company.

Satisfaction and discharge

The Indenture will be discharged and will cease to be of further effect (except as to surviving rights or registration of transfer or exchange of the exchange notes, as expressly provided for in the Indenture) as to all outstanding exchange notes when:

(1) either:

(a) all the exchange notes theretofore authenticated and delivered (except lost, stolen or destroyed exchange notes which have been replaced or paid and exchange notes for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust or segregated and held in trust by the Company and thereafter repaid to the Company or discharged from such trust) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(b) all exchange notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation (1) have become due and payable or (2) will become due and payable within one year, or are to be called for redemption within one year, under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Company, and the Company has irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee funds in an amount sufficient to pay and discharge the entire Indebtedness on the exchange notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the exchange notes to the date of deposit together with irrevocable instructions from the Company directing the Trustee to apply such funds to the payment thereof at maturity or redemption, as the case may be;

(2) the Company has paid all other sums payable under the Indenture by the Company; and

(3) the Company has delivered to the Trustee an officers' certificate and an opinion of counsel stating that all conditions precedent under the Indenture relating to the satisfaction and discharge of the Indenture have been complied with.

Concerning the trustee

The Bank of New York is the Trustee under the Indenture and has been appointed by the Company as Registrar and Paying Agent with regard to the exchange notes.

Governing law

The Indenture provides that it and the exchange notes and the Guarantees will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York without giving effect to applicable principles of conflicts of law to the extent that the application of the law of another jurisdiction would be required thereby.

CERTAIN U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a general discussion of certain United States federal income tax consequences of exchanging original notes for exchange notes and of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the exchange notes. This discussion is based on provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder, and administrative and judicial interpretations thereof, all as in effect on the date hereof and all of which are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect. This discussion applies only to those persons who hold the original notes and exchange notes as capital assets within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Code. Furthermore, this discussion does not address all aspects of United States federal income taxation that may be applicable to investors in light of their particular circumstances, or to investors subject to special treatment under United States federal income tax law (including, without limitation, certain financial institutions, insurance companies, tax-exempt entities, dealers in securities, persons who have acquired original notes and exchange notes as part of a straddle, hedge, conversion transaction or other integrated investment, persons whose functional currency is not the United States dollar, persons owning original notes and exchange notes through partnerships or other pass-through entities, or former citizens or residents of the United States). In addition, this summary does not address U.S. federal alternative minimum tax consequences or consequences under the tax laws of any state, local or foreign jurisdictions.

This summary is for general information only. Each prospective investor should consult its tax advisor as to the particular tax consequences to such purchaser of exchanging original notes for exchange notes and of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the exchange notes, including the applicability of any federal estate or gift tax laws or any state, local or foreign tax laws, any changes in applicable tax laws and any pending or proposed legislation or regulations.

United States taxation of United States holders

The following summary is limited to the U.S. federal income tax consequences relevant to a holder that is:

- a citizen or individual resident of the United States;
- a corporation (or other entity taxable as a corporation) created or organized under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof;
- an estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income tax regardless of the source; or
- a trust, if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the trust's administration and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all its substantial decisions or if a valid election to be treated as a U.S. person is in effect with respect to such trust.

Each of the above is referred to herein as a U.S. holder. A "non-U.S. holder" is a holder that is neither a U.S. holder nor a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

A partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes is not subject to income tax on income derived from holding the exchange notes. A partner of the partnership may be subject to tax on such income under rules similar to the rules for U.S. holders or non-U.S. holders depending on whether (i) the partner is a U.S. or a non-U.S. person, and (ii) the partnership is or is not engaged in a U.S. trade or business to which income or gain from the exchange notes is effectively connected. If you are a partner of a partnership acquiring the exchange notes, you should consult your tax advisor about the U.S. tax consequences of holding and disposing of the exchange notes.

Payments of interest

It is expected that the exchange notes will not be issued with original issue discount. Stated interest payable on the exchange notes generally will be included in the gross income of a U.S. holder as ordinary interest income

at the time accrued or received, in accordance with such U.S. holder's method of accounting for United States federal income tax purposes.

Disposition of the Exchange Notes

Upon the sale, exchange, redemption or other disposition of an exchange note, a U.S. holder generally will recognize taxable gain or loss equal to the difference between:

- the sum of cash plus the fair market value of all other property received on such disposition (except to the extent such cash or property is attributable to accrued but unpaid interest, which is treated as interest as described above); and
- such holder's adjusted tax basis in the exchange note.

Gain or loss recognized on the disposition of an exchange note generally will be capital gain or loss, and will be long-term capital gain or loss if, at the time of such disposition, the U.S. holder's holding period for the exchange note is more than 12 months. In general, the maximum federal long-term capital gain rate is currently 15% for noncorporate U.S. holders through 2008 and 35% for corporate U.S. holders. The deductibility of capital losses by U.S. holders is subject to limitations.

Exchange offer

The exchange of an original note for an exchange note pursuant to the exchange offer will not constitute a "significant modification" of the original note for United States federal income tax purposes and, accordingly, the exchange note received will be treated as a continuation of the original note in the hands of such holder. As a result:

- a holder will not recognize taxable gain or loss as a result of exchanging original notes for notes pursuant to the exchange offer;
- the holding period of the exchange notes will include the holding period of the original notes exchanged therefor; and
- the adjusted tax basis of the exchange notes immediately after the exchange will be the same as the adjusted tax basis immediately prior to the exchange of the original notes exchanged therefor.

U.S. federal income taxation of non-U.S. holders

Payments of interest

Subject to the discussion of backup withholding below, payments of principal and interest received or accrued by a non-U.S. holder will not be subject to United States federal withholding tax, provided that:

- the non-U.S. holder does not, directly or indirectly, actually or constructively own 10 percent or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of our stock entitled to vote within Section 871(h)(3) of the Code and the regulations thereunder;
- the non-U.S. holder is not a controlled foreign corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes that is related to us through stock ownership;
- the non-U.S. holder is not a bank described in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code; and
- either (A) the beneficial owner of the exchange notes certifies to us or our agent on IRS Form W-8BEN (or a suitable substitute form or successor form), under penalties of perjury, that it is not a "U.S. person" (as defined in the Code) and provides its name and address, or (B) a securities clearing organization, bank or other financial institution that holds customers' securities in the ordinary course of its trade or business (a "financial institution") and holds the exchange notes on behalf of the beneficial owner

certifies to us or our agent, under penalties of perjury, that such a statement has been received from the beneficial owner by it or by a financial institution between it and the beneficial owner and furnished us with a copy thereof, known as the “Portfolio Interest Exemption.”

If a non-U.S. holder cannot satisfy the requirements of the Portfolio Interest Exemption, payments of interest made to such non-U.S. holder will be subject to a 30% withholding tax unless the beneficial owner of the exchange note provides us or our agent, as the case may be, with a properly executed:

- IRS Form W-8BEN (or successor form) claiming an exemption from withholding under the benefit of a tax treaty; or
- IRS Form W-8ECI (or successor form) stating that interest paid on the exchange note is not subject to withholding tax because it is effectively connected with the beneficial owner’s conduct of a trade or business in the United States.

The certification requirement described above also may require a non-U.S. holder that provides an IRS form, or that claims the benefit of an income tax treaty, to provide its U.S. taxpayer identification number.

The applicable regulations generally also require, in the case of an exchange note held by a foreign partnership, that:

- the certification described above be provided by the partnership; and
- the partnership provide certain information, including a U.S. taxpayer identification number.

In the case of an exchange note held by a foreign trust, the regulations generally require that:

- the certification described above be provided by the beneficial owners depending upon whether the trust is a “foreign complex trust,” “foreign simple trust” or “foreign grantor trust” as defined in the Treasury Regulations; and
- the trust provide certain information, including U.S. taxpayer identification number.

Further, a look-through rule will apply in the case of tiered partnerships, foreign simple trusts and foreign grantor trusts. We suggest that you consult your tax advisor about the specific methods for satisfying these requirements. A claim for exemption will not be valid if the person receiving the applicable form has actual knowledge that the statements on the form are false.

Disposition of exchange notes

A non-U.S. holder generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax (and generally no tax will be withheld) with respect to gain realized on the disposition of an exchange note, unless:

- the gain is effectively connected with a United States trade or business conducted by the non-U.S. holder;
- the non-U.S. holder is an individual who is present in the United States for 183 or more days during the taxable year of the disposition and certain other requirements are satisfied; or
- the non-U.S. holder is subject to tax pursuant to the provisions of U.S. tax law applicable to certain U.S. expatriates.

Effectively connected income

If interest and other payments received by a non-U.S. holder with respect to the exchange notes (including proceeds from the disposition of the exchange notes) are effectively connected with the conduct by the non-U.S. holder of a trade or business within the United States (or the non-U.S. holder is otherwise subject to United States

federal income taxation on a net basis with respect to such holder's ownership of the exchange notes), such non-U.S. holder will generally be subject to the rules described above under "United States taxation of United States holders" (subject to any modification provided under an applicable income tax treaty). If such holder is a foreign corporation, the non-U.S. holder may also be subject to the branch profits tax, equal to 30% of its effectively connected earnings and profits for the year, subject to adjustments.

Exchange of exchange notes

The exchange of original notes for registered exchange notes in the exchange offer will not constitute a taxable event for a non-U.S. holder.

Information reporting and backup withholding

U.S. holders

For each calendar year in which the exchange notes are outstanding, we are required to provide the IRS with certain information, including:

- the beneficial owner's name, address and taxpayer identification number;
- the aggregate amount of interest paid to that beneficial owner during the calendar year; and
- the amount of tax withheld, if any.

This obligation, however, does not apply with respect to certain payments to U.S. holders, including corporations and tax-exempt organizations, provided that they establish entitlement to an exemption.

In the event that a U.S. holder subject to the reporting requirements described above fails to supply its correct taxpayer identification number in the manner required by applicable law or underreports its tax liability, we, our agents or paying agents or a broker may be required to "backup" withhold tax on each payment of interest and principal (and premium or liquidated damages, if any) on the exchange notes. The amount of the withholding will be equal to the product of the fourth lowest rate of tax applicable to single filers and the amount of the payment. This rate is 28 percent for tax years beginning in 2003. This backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be credited against the U.S. holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, provided that the required information is furnished to the IRS.

Non-U.S. holders

We must report annually to the IRS and to each non-U.S. holder any interest paid to the non-U.S. holder. Copies of these information returns may also be made available under the provisions of a specific treaty or other agreement to the tax authorities of the country in which the non-U.S. holder resides. Under current Treasury Regulations, United States backup withholding tax will not apply to payments on an exchange note to a non-U.S. holder if the statement described in "U.S. federal income taxation of non-U.S. holders-Payments of interest" is duly provided by such holder or the holder otherwise establishes an exemption, provided that the payer does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that the holder is a U.S. person or that the conditions of any claimed exemption are not satisfied.

Generally, information reporting requirements and backup withholding tax will not apply to any payment of the proceeds of the sale of an exchange note effected outside the United States by a foreign office of a "broker" (as defined in applicable Treasury Regulations), unless the broker is:

- a U.S. person;
- a foreign person that derives 50% or more of its gross income for certain periods from activities that are effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States, -

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- a controlled foreign corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes; or
 - a foreign partnership more than 50% of the capital or profits of which is owned by one or more U.S. persons or which engages in a U.S. trade or business.

Payment of the proceeds of any such sale effected outside the United States by a foreign office or any broker that is described in the four bullet points of the preceding sentence may be subject to backup withholding tax and will be subject to information reporting requirements unless such broker has documentary evidence in its records that the beneficial owner is a non-U.S. holder and certain other conditions are met, or the beneficial owner otherwise establishes an exemption. Payment of the proceeds of any such sale to or through the U.S. office of a broker is subject to information reporting and backup withholding requirements, unless the beneficial owner of the exchange note provides the statement described in “U.S. federal income taxation of non-U.S. holders-Payments of interest” or otherwise establishes an exemption.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account in the exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of those exchange notes. Broker-dealers may use this prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, in connection with resales of exchange notes received in exchange for original notes if the broker-dealer acquired the original notes as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. We have agreed that for a period of 180 days after the expiration date (as defined herein) we will make this prospectus, as amended or supplemented, available to any broker-dealer who requests it in the letter of transmittal for use in connection with any such resale. In addition, until _____, 2004, all dealers effecting transactions in the exchange notes may be required to deliver a prospectus.

We will not receive any proceeds from any sale of exchange notes by broker-dealers or other persons. Broker-dealers may from time to time sell exchange notes received for their own accounts in the exchange offer in one or more transactions:

- in the over-the-counter market;
- in negotiated transactions;
- through the writing of options on the exchange notes or a combination of such methods of resale;
- at market prices prevailing at the time of resale;
- at prices related to such prevailing market prices; or
- at negotiated prices.

Broker-dealers may resell exchange notes 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 the exchange notes. Any broker-dealer that resells exchange notes that were received by it for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer and any broker or dealer that participates in a distribution of the exchange notes may be deemed to be “underwriters” within the meaning of the Securities Act, and any profit on any resale of exchange notes and any commissions or concessions received by any such 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.

By its acceptance of the exchange offer, any broker-dealer that receives exchange notes pursuant to the exchange offer agrees to notify us in writing before using the prospectus in connection with the sale or transfer of exchange notes. The broker-dealer further acknowledges and agrees that, upon receipt of notice from us of the happening of any event which makes any statement in the prospectus untrue in any material respect or which requires the making of any changes in the prospectus to make the statements in the prospectus not misleading or which may impose upon us disclosure obligations that may have a material adverse effect on us, which notice we agree to deliver promptly to the broker-dealer, the broker-dealer will suspend use of the prospectus until we have notified the broker-dealer that delivery of the prospectus may resume and have furnished to the broker-dealer copies of any amendment or supplement to the prospectus. We have agreed in the exchange and registration rights agreement that for a period of 180 days after the expiration date (as defined herein), we will promptly send additional copies of this prospectus and any amendment or supplement to this prospectus to any broker-dealer that requests such documents in the letter of transmittal. We have agreed to pay all expenses incident to the registered exchange offer (including the expenses of one counsel for the holder of the exchange notes) other than commissions or concessions of any broker-dealers and will indemnify the holders of the exchange notes (including any broker-dealers) against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the exchange notes offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Reed Smith LLP, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2002 and for the year then ended, incorporated by reference in this prospectus, have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent auditors, as set forth in their report thereon incorporated by reference in this prospectus, and are included in reliance upon such report given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-4 (No. 333-) under the Securities Act of 1933 relating to the exchange notes offered by this prospectus. This prospectus is a part of that registration statement, which includes additional information not contained in this prospectus.

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. Our SEC filings are available to the public over the Internet at the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. Copies of certain information filed by us with the SEC are also available on our website at <http://www.wabtec.com>. Our website is not a part of this prospectus. You may also read and copy any document we file at the SEC's public reference room, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the public reference room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. Because our common stock is listed on the NYSE, you may also inspect reports, proxy statements and other information about us at the offices of the NYSE, 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005.

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" information we file with it, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to other documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be a part of this prospectus and information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. In all cases, you should rely on the later information over different information included in this prospectus.

You may request a copy of these filings at no cost by writing to us at the following mailing address or telephoning us at the following number: Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation, 1001 Air Brake Avenue, Wilmerding, Pennsylvania 15148, Attention: Vice President Investor Relations (telephone number 412-825-1000).

PART II
INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 20. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

1. *Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (“DGCL”).* Section 145 of the DGCL provides that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation) by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys’ fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if the person acted in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe the person’s conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement or conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that the person’s conduct was unlawful.

Section 145 also provides that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys’ fees) actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit, if the person acted in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability, but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

To the extent that a former or present director or officer of the corporation has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to above, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, such person shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys’ fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection therewith.

Any such indemnification (unless ordered by a court) shall be made by the corporation only as authorized in the specific case upon a determination that the indemnification of the present or former director, officer, employee or agent is proper in the circumstances because such person has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth above. Such determination shall be made with respect to a person who was or is a director or officer at the time of determination:

- (1) by a majority vote of the directors who were not parties to such action, suit or proceeding, even though less than a quorum; or
- (2) by a committee of such directors designated by a majority vote of such directors, even though less than a quorum; or

- (3) if there are no such directors, or, if such directors so direct, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion; or
- (4) by the stockholders.

Section 145 permits a Delaware business corporation to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any such capacity or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability.

2. *Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL.* Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL provides that a corporation may set forth in its Certificate of Incorporation a provision eliminating or limiting the personal liability of a director to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, provided that such provision shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) under Section 174 of the DGCL regarding the unlawful payment of dividends or approval of unlawful stock repurchases or redemptions, or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. No such provision shall eliminate or limit the liability of a director for any act or omission occurring prior to the date when such provision becomes effective (in the case of the Company, October 19, 1989). As noted in paragraph 3 below, the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the "Company Charter") includes a provision contemplated by Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL.

3. *Certificate of Incorporation Provision on Liability of Directors.* The Company Charter eliminates the liability of its directors to the fullest extent permitted by Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL. The Company Charter provides that the Company's directors shall not be personally liable to the Company or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of their fiduciary duty as directors, except for liability (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Company or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) pursuant to Section 174 of the DGCL, or (iv) for any transactions from which a director derived an improper personal benefit. This provision does not eliminate the duty of care, and in appropriate circumstances equitable remedies such as injunctive or other forms of nonmonetary relief are available under Delaware law.

4. *Indemnification Agreements.* The Company has entered or intends to enter into Indemnification Agreements (the "Indemnification Agreements") with its directors, officers and certain employees, agents, fiduciaries and designees (each an "Authorized Representative"). The Indemnification Agreements authorize the Company to pay all or part of certain expenses and liabilities of the Authorized Representatives, either in advance or otherwise, upon written request from such Authorized Representatives. The Indemnification Agreements indemnify the Authorized Representatives in accordance with and to the maximum extent permitted by the Company Charter and Sections 102(b)(7) and 145 of the DGCL, all as described in the immediately preceding paragraphs.

5. *Director and Officer Liability Insurance.* The Company maintains director and officer liability insurance covering its directors and officers with respect to certain liabilities which they may incur in connection with their serving as such.

Item 21. Exhibits [and Financial Statement Schedules]

(a) A list of exhibits filed with this registration statement on Form S-4 is set forth on the Index to Exhibits [and Financial Statement Schedule] and is incorporated in this Item 21 by reference.

(b) The following report of independent auditors [and financial statement schedule] are filed with this registration statement and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements incorporated by reference herein:

Report of Independent Auditors on Financial Statement Schedule

Schedule II—Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

All other schedules are not applicable and have therefore been omitted.

Item 22. Undertakings

(a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes :

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-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 SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent to more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement.

(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.

provided, however, that paragraphs (1)(i) and (1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by these paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference 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) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for 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 section 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.

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

(d) 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.

(e) 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 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 proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person 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 by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Wilmerding, state of Pennsylvania, on November 19, 2003.

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

By: /s/ GREGORY T. H. DAVIES

Name: Gregory T. H. Davies
Title: President,
Chief Executive Officer, and Director

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Alvaro Garcia-Tunon, his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place, and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this registration statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or its or his substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

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

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ WILLIAM A. KASSLING <hr/> William A. Kassling	Director; Chairman of the Board	November 19, 2003
/s/ EMILIO A. FERNANDEZ <hr/> Emilio A. Fernandez	Director; Vice Chairman of the Board	November 19, 2003
/s/ GREGORY T. H. DAVIES <hr/> Gregory T. H. Davies	Chief Executive Officer; President; Director	November 19, 2003
/s/ ROBERT J. BROOKS <hr/> Robert J. Brooks	Executive Vice President—Strategic Development; Director	November 19, 2003
/s/ ALVARO GARCIA-TUNON <hr/> Alvaro Garcia-Tunon	Chief Financial Officer; Senior Vice President; Secretary	November 19, 2003
/s/ KIM G. DAVIS <hr/> Kim G. Davis	Director	November 19, 2003
/s/ LEE B. FOSTER, II <hr/> Lee B. Foster, II	Director	November 19, 2003

Signature

Title

Date

/s/ MICHAEL D. HOWELL

Director

November 19, 2003

Michael D. Howell

/s/ JAMES P. MISCOLL

Director

November 19, 2003

James P. Miscoll

Director

November 19, 2003

James V. Napier

Exhibit Index

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Method of Filing
3.01	Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company dated January 30, 1995, as amended March 30, 1995	2
3.02	Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company, as adopted effective November 19, 1999, incorporated herein by reference to	5
4.01(a)	Indenture with the Bank of New York as Trustee dated as of August 6, 2003	1
4.01(b)	Resolutions Adopted July 23, 2003 by the Board of Directors establishing the terms of the offering of up to \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 6.875% Notes due 2013	1
4.02	Purchase Agreement, dated July 23, 2003, by and between the Company and the initial purchasers	1
4.03	Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, dated August 6, 2003, by and between the Company and the initial purchasers	1
5.01	Opinion of Reed Smith LLP	1
10.1	MotivePower Stock Option Agreement (originally included as Annex B to the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus)	5
10.2	Westinghouse Air Brake Stock Option Agreement (originally included as Annex C to the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus)	5
10.3	Voting Agreement dated as of September 26, 1999 among William E. Kassling, Robert J. Brooks, Harvard Private Capital Holdings, Inc. Vestar Equity Partners, L.P. and MotivePower Industries, Inc. (originally included as Annex D to the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus)	5
10.9	Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement dated as of November 19, 1999 among the Company, various financial institutions, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., The Chase Manhattan Bank, and The Bank of New York (Schedules and Exhibits omitted)	6
10.10	Amended and Restated Stockholders Agreement dated as of March 5, 1997 among the RAC Voting Trust ("Voting Trust"), Vestar Equity Partners, L.P. ("Vestar Equity"), Harvard Private Capital Holdings, Inc. ("Harvard"), American Industrial Partners Capital Fund II, L.P. ("AIP") and the Company	3
10.12	Indemnification Agreement dated January 31, 1995 between the Company and the Voting Trust Trustees	2
10.13	Agreement of Sale and Purchase of the North American Operations of the Railway Products Group, an operating division of American Standard Inc., dated as of 1990 between Rail Acquisition Corp. and American Standard Inc. (only provisions on indemnification are reproduced)	2
10.14	Letter Agreement (undated) between the Company and American Standard Inc. on environmental costs and sharing	2
10.15	Purchase Agreement dated as of June 17, 1992 among the Company, Schuller International, Inc., Manville Corporation and European Overseas Corporation (only provisions on indemnification are reproduced)	2

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Method of Filing
10.16	Asset Purchase Agreement dated as of January 23, 1995 among the Company, Pulse Acquisition Corporation, Pulse Electronics, Inc., Pulse Embedded Computer Systems, Inc. and the Pulse Shareholders (Schedules and Exhibits omitted)	2
10.17	License Agreement dated as of December 31, 1993 between SAB WABCO Holdings B.V. and the Company	2
10.18	Letter Agreement dated as of January 19, 1995 between the Company and Vestar Capital Partners, Inc.	2
10.19	Westinghouse Air Brake Company 1995 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended	4
10.20	Westinghouse Air Brake Company 1995 Non-Employee Directors' Fee and Stock Option Plan, as amended	6
10.22	Letter Agreement dated as of January 1, 1995 between the Company and Vestar Capital Partners, Inc.	2
10.23	Form of Indemnification Agreement between the Company and Authorized Representatives	2
10.27	Amendment No. 1 to Amended and Restated Stockholders Agreement dated as of March 5, 1997 among the Voting Trust, Vestar, Harvard, AIP and the Company	3
10.28	Common Stock Registration Rights Agreement dated as of March 5, 1997 among the Company, Harvard, AIP and the Voting Trust	3
10.29	1998 Employee Stock Purchase Plan	4
10.32	Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation 2000 Stock Incentive Plan	7
10.33	Amendment No. 1, dated as of November 16, 2000, by and among the Company and the Guarantors from Time to Time Party Thereto, and the Banks From Time to Time Party Thereto, and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. as bookrunner and co-syndication agent, The Bank of New York, as co-syndication agent, Mellon Bank, N.A., as documentation agent, and The Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A., (successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank Delaware), as an issuing bank, to the Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 19, 1999 among the Company, various financial institutions, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., The Chase Manhattan Bank, and The Bank of New York which was filed as Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 1999 (Exhibits omitted)	8
10.34	Amendment No. 2, dated as of March 30, 2001, by and among the Company and the Guarantors from Time to Time Party Thereto, and the Banks From Time to Time Party Thereto, and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. as bookrunner and co-syndication agent, The Chase Manhattan Bank as administrative agent, The Bank of New York, as co-syndication agent, Mellon Bank, N.A., as documentation agent, and The Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A., (successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank Delaware), as an issuing bank, to the Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 19, 1999, as amended, among the Company, various financial institutions, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., The Chase Manhattan Bank, and The Bank of New York which was filed as Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 1999 (Exhibits omitted)	10

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Method of Filing
10.35	Amendment No. 3, dated as of July 18, 2001, by and among the Company and the Guarantors from Time to Time Party Thereto, and the Banks From Time to Time Party Thereto, and LaSalle Bank National Association and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. as bookrunner and co-syndication agent, The Bank of New York, as co-syndication agent, The Chase Manhattan Bank as administrative agent, Mellon Bank, N.A., as documentation agent, and The Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A., (successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank Delaware), as an issuing bank, to the Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 19, 1999, as amended, among the Company, various financial institutions, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., The Chase Manhattan Bank, and The Bank of New York which was filed as Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 1999 (Exhibits omitted)	10
10.36	Amendment No. 4, dated as of September 17, 2001, by and among the Company and the Guarantors from Time to Time Party Thereto, and the Banks From Time to Time Party Thereto, and LaSalle Bank National Association as bookrunner and co-syndication agent, The Chase Manhattan Bank as administrative agent, The Bank of New York, as co-syndication agent, Mellon Bank, N.A., as documentation agent, and The Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A., (successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank Delaware), as an issuing bank, to the Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 19, 1999, as amended, among the Company, various financial institutions, LaSalle Bank National Association, The Chase Manhattan Bank, and The Bank of New York which was filed as Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 1999 (Exhibits omitted)	10
10.37	Amendment No. 5, dated as of November 14, 2001, by and among the Company and the Guarantors from Time to Time Party Thereto, and the Banks From Time to Time Party Thereto, and LaSalle Bank National Association as bookrunner and co-syndication agent, JP Morgan Chase Bank (formerly known as The Chase Manhattan Bank) as administrative agent, The Bank of New York, as co-syndication agent, Mellon Bank, N.A., as documentation agent, and The Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A., (successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank Delaware), as an issuing bank, to the Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 19, 1999, as amended, among the Company, various financial institutions, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., The Chase Manhattan Bank, and The Bank of New York which was filed as Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 1999 (Exhibits omitted)	10
10.38	Amendment No. 6, dated as of November 13, 2002, by and among the Company and the Guarantors from Time to Time Party Thereto, and the Banks From Time to Time Party Thereto, and LaSalle Bank National Association as bookrunner and co-syndication agent, JP Morgan Chase Bank as administrative agent, and The Bank of New York, as co-syndication agent, Mellon Bank, N.A., as documentation agent, LaSalle Bank National Association, as an issuing bank, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., as an issuing bank, and The Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A., (successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank Delaware), as an issuing bank, to the Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 19, 1999, as amended, among the Company, various financial institutions, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., The Chase Manhattan Bank, and The Bank of New York which was filed as Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 1999	11

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10.39	Asset Purchase Agreement, by and between General Electric Company, through its GE Transportation Systems business and Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation, dated as of July 24, 2001	9
10.40	Amendment No. 7, dated as of May 17, 2003, by and among the Company and the Guarantors from Time to Time Party Thereto, and the Banks from Time to Time Party Thereto and LaSalle Bank National Association, as bookrunner and co-syndication agent, JPMorgan Chase Bank, as administrative agent, and The Bank of New York, as co-syndication agent, Mellon Bank, N.A., as documentation agent, LaSalle Bank National Association, as an issuing bank, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., as an issuing bank, and Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A. (successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank Delaware), as an issuing bank, to the Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 19, 1999, as amended, among the Company, various financial institutions, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., The Chase Manhattan Bank and The Bank of New York which was filed as Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 1999.	1
10.41	Amendment No. 8, dated as of July 17, 2003, by and among the Company and the Guarantors from Time to Time Party Thereto, and The Banks from Time to Time Party Thereto and LaSalle Bank National Association, as bookrunner and co-syndication agent, JPMorgan Chase Bank, as administrative agent, and The Bank of New York, as co-syndication agent, Mellon Bank, N.A., as documentation agent, LaSalle Bank National Association, as an issuing bank, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., as an issuing bank, and Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A. (successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank Delaware), as an issuing bank, to the Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 19, 1999, as amended, among the Company, various financial institutions, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., The Chase Manhattan Bank and The Bank of New York, which was filed as Exhibit 10.9 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 1999.	1
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- 1 Filed herewith.
- 2 Filed as an exhibit to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 33-90866).
- 3 Filed as an exhibit to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 1997.
- 4 Filed as an exhibit to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 1998.
- 5 Filed as part of the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (No. 333-88903).
- 6 Filed as an exhibit to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 1999.

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- 7 Filed as an exhibit to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2000.
 - 8 Filed as an exhibit to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2000.
 - 9 Filed as an exhibit to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated November 13, 2001.
 - 10 Filed as an exhibit to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2001.
 - 11 Filed as an exhibit to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2002.

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION,
as Issuer,
EACH OF THE GUARANTORS FROM TIME TO TIME PARTY HERETO,
as Guarantors
and
THE BANK OF NEW YORK,
as Trustee

6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013

INDENTURE
Dated as of August 6, 2003

CROSS-REFERENCE TABLE*

Trust Indenture Act Section	Indenture Section
310(a)(1).....	7.10
(a)(2).....	7.10
(a)(3).....	N.A.
(a)(4).....	N.A.
(a)(5).....	7.10
(b).....	7.8; 7.10; 11.2
(c).....	N.A.
311(a).....	7.11
(b).....	1.3; 7.11
(c).....	N.A.
312(a).....	2.5
(b).....	11.3
(c).....	11.3
313(a).....	7.6
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(b).....	N.A.
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(c)(3).....	N.A.
(d).....	N.A.
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N.A. means not applicable.

* This Cross-Reference Table is not part of this Indenture.

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INDENTURE, dated as of August 6, 2003 among Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), the Guarantors from time to time party hereto and The Bank of New York, a New York banking corporation, as trustee, (the "Trustee").

Each party agrees as follows for the benefit of the other party and for the equal and ratable benefit of the Holders of the Company's 6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013 (the "Notes"):

ARTICLE 1

DEFINITIONS AND INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

Section 1.1. Definitions.

"Accounts Receivable Entity" means a Person, including, without limitation, a Subsidiary of the Company whose operations consist solely of owning and/or selling accounts receivable of the Company and its Subsidiaries and engaging in other activities in connection with transactions that are Qualified Receivables Transactions.

"Additional Assets" means

(i) any property or assets (other than Indebtedness and Capital Stock) in a Related Business;

(ii) the Capital Stock of a Person that becomes a Restricted Subsidiary as a result of the acquisition of such Capital Stock by the Company or another Restricted Subsidiary; or

(iii) Capital Stock constituting a minority interest in any Person that at such time is a Restricted Subsidiary;

provided, however, that any such Restricted Subsidiary described in clause (ii) or (iii) above is primarily engaged in a Related Business.

"Additional Notes" means, subject to the Company's compliance with Section 4.9, 6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013 issued from time to time after the Issue Date under the terms of this Indenture (other than issuances pursuant to Section 2.7, 2.10, 3.6, 4.13, 4.15 or 9.5 of this Indenture and other than Exchange Notes issued pursuant to an exchange offer for other Notes outstanding under this Indenture).

"Affiliate" of any specified Person means any other Person, directly or indirectly, controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For the purposes of this definition, "control" when used with respect to any Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing.

"Agent" means any Registrar or Paying Agent or authenticating agent or co-registrar.

"Asset Disposition" means any direct or indirect sale, lease, transfer or other disposition (or series of related sales, leases, transfers or dispositions) by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, other than permitted Sale/Leaseback Transactions, including any disposition by means of a merger, consolidation or similar transaction (each referred to for the purposes of this definition as a "disposition"), of (i) any shares of Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary (other than directors' qualifying shares or shares required by applicable law to be held by a Person other than the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary), (ii) all or substantially all the assets of any division or line of business of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, or (iii) any other assets of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary outside of the ordinary course of business of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary (other than, in the case of (i), (ii) and (iii) above, (x) a disposition by a Restricted Subsidiary to the Company or by the Company or a Subsidiary to a Wholly Owned Subsidiary and (y) for purposes of Section 4.13 only, a disposition that constitutes a Restricted Payment permitted by Section 4.11); provided, however, that the following shall not be deemed an Asset Disposition: (A) a transaction or series of related transactions consummated after the Issue Date for which the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries receives aggregate consideration of up to \$20 million during any consecutive 12-month period; provided that such sale or disposition also complies with Section 4.13(a)(i); and (B) insurance proceeds received in connection with any casualty in an amount not to exceed \$3 million in the aggregate in any fiscal year; provided that to the extent the Company shall have reinvested such proceeds on the date of any required Asset Sale Offer (or certified to the Trustee that it intends to reinvest within 365 days of such Asset Sale Offer, or, in the case of the rebuilding of a facility with insurance proceeds, as contemplated by clause (B) in this definition of Asset Disposition, such longer time as may be required to construct such facility) any of such proceeds in equipment, vehicles or other assets used in the Company's principal lines of business, the resultant Asset Sale Offer shall be reduced by the amount so reinvested or to be reinvested.

"Attributable Debt" in respect of a Sale/Leaseback Transaction means, as at the time of determination, the present value (discounted at the interest rate borne by the Notes, compounded annually) of the total obligations of the lessee for rental payments during the remaining term of the lease included in such Sale/Leaseback Transaction (including any period for which such lease has been extended).

"Average Life" means, as of the date of determination, with respect to any Indebtedness or Preferred Stock, the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the sum of the products of numbers of years from the date of determination of the dates of each successive scheduled principal payment of such Indebtedness or redemption or similar payment with respect to such Preferred Stock multiplied by the amount of such payment by (ii) the sum of all such payments.

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

"Board of Directors" means the Board of Directors of the Company or any committee thereof duly authorized to act on behalf of such Board.

"Business Day" means each day which is not a Legal Holiday.

"Capital Lease Obligations" means an obligation that is required to be classified and accounted for as a capitalized lease for financial reporting purposes in accordance with GAAP, and the amount of Indebtedness represented by such obligation shall be the capitalized amount of such obligation determined in accordance with GAAP; and the Stated Maturity thereof shall be the date of the last payment of rent or any other amount due under such lease prior to the first date upon which such lease may be terminated by the lessee without payment of a penalty.

"Capital Stock" of any Person means any and all shares, interests, rights to purchase, warrants, options, participations or other equivalents of or interests in (however designated) equity of such Person, including any Preferred Stock.

"Cash Equivalents" means, at any time,

(i) any evidence of Indebtedness with a maturity of 180 days or less from the date of acquisition issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality thereof (provided that the full faith and credit of the United States of America is pledged in support thereof);

(ii) certificates of deposit or acceptances with a maturity of 180 days or less from the date of acquisition of any financial institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System having combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than \$300.0 million and whose short-term debt has a rating, at the time when any investment therein is made, of at least "A-1" (or subsequent equivalent rating) by S&P or at least "P-1" (or subsequent equivalent rating) by Moody's;

(iii) commercial paper with a maturity of 180 days or less from the date of acquisition issued by a corporation that is not an Affiliate of the Company organized under the laws of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia and rated at least "A-1" (or subsequent equivalent rating) by S&P or at least "P-1" (or subsequent equivalent rating) by Moody's; and

(iv) repurchase agreements and reverse repurchase agreements with terms of more than 30 days relating to obligations of the types described in clause (i) above entered into with a financial institution of the type described in clause (ii) above.

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following events:

(i) any "person" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act), other than (a) any Designated Person or (b) combination of Designated Persons, is or becomes the beneficial owner (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act, except that for purposes of this clause (i) such person shall be deemed to have "beneficial ownership" of all shares that any such person has the right to acquire, whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), directly

or indirectly, of more than 50% of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of the Company;

(ii) the first day on which a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of the Company are not Continuing Directors;

(iii) the Company conveys, transfers or leases all or substantially all its assets to any person or group, in one transaction or a series of transactions other than any conveyance, transfer or lease between the Company and a Wholly Owned Subsidiary; or

(iv) the stockholders of the Company shall approve any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Company.

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

"Common Stock" means, with respect to any Person, any and all shares, interests, participations or other equivalents (however designated, whether voting or non-voting) of such Person's common stock, whether now outstanding or issued after the Issue Date, including, without limitation, all series and classes of such common stock.

"Company" means Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation, a Delaware corporation, until a successor replaces it in accordance with Section 5.1, and thereafter means the successor.

"Consolidated Assets" as of any date of determination means the total amount of assets which would appear on a consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"Consolidated Coverage Ratio" as of any date of determination means the ratio of (i) the aggregate amount of EBITDA for the four most recent fiscal quarters for which the Company has filed financial statements with the SEC pursuant to the requirements of the Exchange Act prior to the date of such determination to (ii) Consolidated Interest Expense for such four fiscal quarters; provided, however, that:

(1) if the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary has Incurred any Indebtedness since the beginning of such period that remains outstanding or if the transaction giving rise to the need to calculate the Consolidated Coverage Ratio is an Incurrence of Indebtedness, or both, EBITDA and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving effect on a pro forma basis to such Indebtedness as if such Indebtedness has been Incurred on the first day of such period and the discharge of any other Indebtedness repaid, repurchased, defeased or otherwise discharged with the proceeds of such new Indebtedness as if such discharge had occurred on the first day of such period, except that, in making such calculation, Indebtedness Incurred under a revolving credit or similar arrangement to finance seasonal fluctuations in working capital needs shall be computed on the average daily balance of such Indebtedness during such period unless such Indebtedness is projected in the reasonable judgment of senior management of the Company to remain outstanding for a period in excess of 12 months from the date of In-

currence of such Indebtedness, in which case such Indebtedness will be assumed to have been Incurred on the first day of such coverage period;

(2) if since the beginning of such period the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary shall have made any Asset Disposition, the EBITDA for such period shall be reduced by an amount equal to the EBITDA (if positive) directly attributable to the assets which are the subject of such Asset Disposition for such period, or increased by an amount equal to the EBITDA (if negative) directly attributable thereto for such period and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be reduced by an amount equal to the Consolidated Interest Expense directly attributable to any Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary repaid, repurchased, defeased or otherwise discharged with respect to the Company and its continuing Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with such Asset Disposition for such period (or, if the Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary is sold, the Consolidated Interest Expense for such period directly attributable to the Indebtedness of such Restricted Subsidiary to the extent the Company and its continuing Restricted Subsidiaries are no longer liable for such Indebtedness after such sale);

(3) if since the beginning of such period the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary (by merger or otherwise) shall have made an Investment in any Restricted Subsidiary (or any person which becomes a Restricted Subsidiary) or an acquisition of assets, including any acquisition of assets occurring in connection with a transaction causing a calculation to be made hereunder, which constitutes all or substantially all of an operating unit of a business, EBITDA and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto (including the Incurrence of any Indebtedness) as if such Investment or acquisition occurred on the first day of such period; and

(4) if since the beginning of such period any Person (that subsequently became a Restricted Subsidiary or was merged with or into the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary since the beginning of such period) shall have made any Asset Disposition, any Investment or acquisition of assets that would have required an adjustment pursuant to clause (2) or (3) above if made by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary during such period, EBITDA and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto as if such Asset Disposition, Investment or acquisition occurred on the first day of such period. For purposes of this definition, whenever pro forma effect is to be given to an acquisition of assets, the amount of income or earnings relating thereto, and the amount of Consolidated Interest Expense associated with any Indebtedness Incurred in connection therewith, the pro forma calculations shall be determined in good faith by a responsible financial or accounting officer of the Company. If any Indebtedness bears a floating rate of interest and is being given pro forma effect, the interest of such Indebtedness shall be calculated as if the rate in effect on the date of determination had been the applicable rate for the entire period (taking into account any Interest Rate Protection Agreement applicable to such Indebtedness if such Interest Rate Protection Agreement has a remaining term in excess of 12 months).

"Consolidated Interest Expense" means, for any period, the total interest expense of the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries, plus (x) to the extent not included in such total interest expense, and to the extent incurred by the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries:

- (i) interest expense attributable to capital leases,
- (ii) amortization of debt discount and debt issuance cost (excluding debt issuance cost relating to the Notes);
- (iii) capitalized interest;
- (iv) non-cash interest payments;
- (v) commissions, discounts and other fees and charges owed with respect to letters of credit and bankers' acceptance financing;
- (vi) net costs under Interest Rate Protection Agreements (including amortization of fees);
- (vii) Preferred Stock dividends in respect of all Preferred Stock held by Persons other than the Company or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary;
- (viii) interest incurred in connection with Investments in discontinued operations; and
- (ix) interest actually paid by the Company or any of its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries under any Guarantee of Indebtedness of any Person

and minus (y) to the extent included in such total interest expense, any amortization by the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries of (i) capitalized interest or (ii) commissions, discounts and other fees and charges owed with respect to letters of credit and bankers' acceptance financing.

"Consolidated Net Income" means, for any period, the net income of the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries; provided, however, that there shall not be included in such Consolidated Net Income:

- (i) any net income of any Person if such Person is not a Restricted Subsidiary, except that subject to the limitations contained in clause (iii) below, the Company's equity in the net income of any such Person for such period shall be included in such Consolidated Net Income up to the aggregate amount of cash actually distributed by such Person during such period to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary as a dividend or other distribution (subject, in the case of a dividend or other distribution paid to a Restricted Subsidiary, to the limitations contained in clause (ii) below);
- (ii) the net income of any Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Guarantor to the extent that such Restricted Subsidiary is subject to restrictions, directly or indirectly, on

the payment of dividends or the making of distributions, directly or indirectly, to the Company, except that the Company's equity in a net loss of any such Restricted Subsidiary for such period shall be included in determining such Consolidated Net Income;

(iii) any gain (but not loss) realized upon the sale or other disposition of any property, plant or equipment of the Company or its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries (including pursuant to any sale-and-leaseback arrangement) which is not sold or otherwise disposed of in the ordinary course of business and any gain (but not loss) realized upon the sale or other disposition of any Capital Stock of any Person;

(iv) extraordinary gains or losses; and

(v) the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principles.

"Continuing Directors" means, as of the date of determination, any member of the Board of Directors of the Company who: (a) was a member of such Board of Directors on the Issue Date, (b) was nominated for election or elected to such Board of Directors with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of such Board of Directors at the time of such nomination or election, or (c) is a representative of a Designated Person.

"Control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise, and the terms "Controlling" and "Controlled" shall have meanings correlative thereto.

"Credit Agreement" means the Credit Agreement dated as of January 31, 1995, as amended and restated as of November 19, 1999 (as amended on November 16, 2000, March 31, 2001, July 18, 2001, September 17, 2001, November 14, 2001, November 13, 2002, May 17, 2003 and July 17, 2003), among the Company, the guarantors from time to time party thereto, the financial institutions from time to time party thereto and LaSalle Bank National Association, as bookrunner and co-syndication agent, JPMorgan Chase Bank, as administrative agent, The Bank of New York, as co-syndication agent, Mellon Bank N.A., as documentation agent and Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A. (as successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank Delaware), LaSalle Bank National Association and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. as issuing banks, as the same may be amended or modified from time to time, and any agreement or agreements evidencing any refunding, replacement, refinancing or renewal, in whole or in part, of the Credit Agreement; provided that such refunding, replacement, refinancing or renewal shall be effected in the commercial bank lending market, and not in the capital markets.

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

"Depository" means, with respect to the Notes issued in the form of one or more Global Notes, The Depository Trust Company or another Person designated as Depository by the Company, which must be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act.

"Designated Person" means Charlesbank Equity Fund II, Limited Partnership, or any of its Controlled Affiliates, Vestar or Vestar Capital or any of their respective Controlled Affiliates.

"Disqualified Capital Stock" means, with respect to any Person, (a) any Capital Stock which by its terms (or by the terms of any security into which it is convertible or for which it is exchangeable) or upon the happening of any event (i) matures or is mandatorily redeemable pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise, (ii) is convertible or exchangeable for Indebtedness or Disqualified Capital Stock or (iii) is redeemable at the option of the holder thereof, in whole or in part, in each case on or prior to the first anniversary of the Stated Maturity of the Notes or (b) any Capital Stock of a Subsidiary.

"EBITDA" for any period means Consolidated Net Income plus the following to the extent deducted in calculating such Consolidated Net Income:

(a) all income tax expense of the Company;

(b) Consolidated Interest Expense;

(c) depreciation expense;

(d) amortization expense; and

(e) other noncash charges (including any charges resulting from the writedown of inventory) deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income (and not already excluded from the definition of the term "Consolidated Net Income"),

in each case for such period.

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

"Exchange Notes" means the 6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013 to be issued in exchange for the Notes pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement.

"Fair Market Value" means, with respect to any asset, the price which could be negotiated in an arm's-length free market transaction, for cash, between a willing seller and a willing buyer, neither of which is under compulsion to complete the transaction. The Fair Market Value of any asset or assets shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the Company, acting in good faith, and shall be evidenced by a resolution of such Board of Directors delivered to the Trustee.

"Foreign Subsidiary" means a corporation that is not incorporated under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof and whose business is primarily conducted outside of the United States.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America as in effect as of the date of this Indenture, including those set forth in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public

Accountants and statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board or in such other statements by such other entity as approved by a significant segment of the accounting profession.

"Global Notes" means one or more 144A Global Notes, Regulation S Global Notes and IAI Global Notes.

"Guarantee" means any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of any Person directly or indirectly guaranteeing any Indebtedness of any Person and any obligation, direct or indirect, contingent or otherwise, of such Person:

(i) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness of such Person (whether arising by virtue of partnership arrangements, or by agreements to keep-well, to purchase assets, goods, securities or services, to take-or-pay, or to maintain financial statement conditions or otherwise) or

(ii) entered into for the purpose of assuring in any other manner the obligee of such Indebtedness of the payment thereof or to protect such obligee against loss in respect thereof (in whole or in part);

provided, however, that the term "Guarantee" shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business. The term "Guarantee" used as a verb has a corresponding meaning.

"Guarantor" means each Restricted Subsidiary as of the date hereof and any subsidiary that becomes a guarantor of the Notes pursuant to this Indenture.

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

"IAI Global Note" means a permanent global note in registered form representing the aggregate principal amount of Notes sold to Institutional Accredited Investors.

"Incur" means issue, assume, Guarantee, incur or otherwise become liable for; provided, however, that any Indebtedness or Capital Stock of a Person existing at the time such Person becomes a Subsidiary (whether by merger, consolidation, acquisition or otherwise) shall be deemed to be Incurred by such Subsidiary at the time it becomes a Subsidiary. The term "Incurrence" when used as a noun shall have a correlative meaning.

"Indebtedness" of any Person means, without duplication,

(i) the principal of and premium (if any) in respect of

(A) indebtedness of such Person for money borrowed and

(B) indebtedness evidenced by notes, debentures, bonds or other similar instruments for the payment of which such Person is responsible or liable;

(ii) all Capital Lease Obligations of such Person and all Attributable Debt in respect of Sale/Leaseback Transactions entered into by such Person;

(iii) all obligations of such Person issued or assumed as the deferred purchase price of property, all conditional sale obligations of such Person and all obligations of such Person under any title retention agreement (but excluding trade accounts payable arising in the ordinary course of business);

(iv) all obligations of such Person for the reimbursement of any obligor on any letter of credit, banker's acceptance or similar credit transaction (other than obligations with respect to letters of credit securing obligations (other than obligations described in (i) through (iii) above) entered into in the ordinary course of business of such Person to the extent such letters of credit are not drawn upon or, if and to the extent drawn upon, such drawing is reimbursed no later than the third Business Day following receipt by such Person of a demand for reimbursement following payment on the letter of credit);

(v) the amount of all obligations of such Person with respect to the redemption, repayment or other repurchase of any Disqualified Capital Stock (but excluding, in each case, any accrued dividends);

(vi) all obligations of the type referred to in clauses (i) through (v) of other Persons and all dividends of other Persons for the payment of which, in either case, such Person is responsible or liable, directly or indirectly, as guarantor or otherwise; and

(vii) all obligations of the type referred to in clauses (i) through (vi) of other Persons secured by any Lien on any property or asset of such Person (whether or not such obligation is assumed by such Person), the amount of such obligation being deemed to be the lesser of the value of such property and assets or the amount of the obligation so secured.

"Indenture" means this Indenture, as may be amended from time to time.

"Initial Notes" means (i) the 6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013 and (ii) Additional Notes, if any, issued in the form of 6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013 of the Company, including those issued in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

"Initial Purchasers" means J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, BNY Capital Markets, Inc., Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc., ABN AMRO Incorporated, BB&T Capital Markets, a division of Scott & Stringfellow, Inc., NatCity Investments, Inc. and PNC Capital Markets, Inc.

"Institutional Accredited Investor" means an institution that is an "accredited investor" as that term is defined in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Securities Act.

"interest" means any interest hereunder and any Liquidated Damages under the Registration Rights Agreement.

"Interest Payment Date" means each semiannual interest payment date on January 31 and July 31 of each year, commencing January 31, 2004.

"Interest Rate Protection Agreement" means any interest rate swap agreement, interest rate cap agreement or other financial agreement or arrangement designed to protect the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary against fluctuations in interest rates.

"Interest Record Date" for the interest payable on any Interest Payment Date (except a date for payment of defaulted interest) means the January 15 or July 15 (whether or not a Business Day), as the case may be, immediately preceding such Interest Payment Date.

"Investment" in any Person means any direct or indirect advance, loan (other than advances to customers in the ordinary course of business that are recorded as accounts receivable on the balance sheet of such Person) or other extension of credit (including by way of Guarantee or similar arrangement) or capital contribution to (by means of any transfer of cash or other property to others or any payment for property or services for the account or use of others), or any purchase or acquisition of Capital Stock, Indebtedness or other similar instruments issued by such Person. For purposes of the definition of "Unrestricted Subsidiary," the definition of "Restricted Payment" and Section 4.11, (i) "Investment" shall include the portion (proportionate to the Company's equity interest in such Subsidiary) of the fair market value of the net assets of any Subsidiary of the Company at the time that such Subsidiary is designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary; provided, however, that upon a redesignation of such Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary, the Company shall be deemed to continue to have a permanent "Investment" in an Unrestricted Subsidiary in an amount (if positive) equal to (x) the Company's "Investment" in such Subsidiary at the time of such redesignation less (y) the portion (proportionate to the Company's equity interest in such Subsidiary) of the fair market value of the net assets of such Subsidiary at the time of such redesignation; and (ii) any property transferred to or from an Unrestricted Subsidiary shall be valued at its fair market value at the time of such transfer, in each case as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors.

"Investment Grade" means Baa3 or higher by Moody's and BBB- or higher by S&P.

"Issue Date" means the date on which the Notes are originally issued.

"Joint Venture" means a joint venture, partnership or other similar arrangement, whether in corporate, partnership or other legal form; provided that, as to any such arrangement in corporate form, such corporation shall not as to any Person of which such corporation is a Subsidiary, be considered to be a Joint Venture to which such Person is a party.

"Legal Holiday" means Saturday, Sunday or a day on which banking institutions in New York, New York or at a place of payment are authorized or obligated by law, regulation or executive order to remain closed.

"Lien" means any mortgage, pledge, security interest, encumbrance, lien or charge of any kind (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement or lease in the nature thereof).

"Maturity Date" means July 31, 2013.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any successor to its debt rating business.

"Net Available Cash" from an Asset Disposition means cash payments and Cash Equivalents received therefrom (including any cash payments and Cash Equivalents received by way of deferred payment of principal pursuant to a note or installment receivable or otherwise, but only as and when received, but excluding any other consideration received in the form of assumption by the acquiring person of Indebtedness or other obligations relating to such properties or assets or received in any other noncash form) in each case net of all legal, title and recording tax expenses, commissions and other fees and expenses incurred, and all federal, state, provincial, foreign and local taxes required to be accrued as a liability under GAAP, as a consequence of such Asset Disposition, and in each case net of all payments made on any Indebtedness which is secured by any assets subject to such Asset Disposition, in accordance with the terms of any Lien upon or other security agreement of any kind with respect to such assets, or which must by its terms, or in order to obtain a necessary consent to such Asset Disposition, or by applicable law be repaid out of the proceeds from such Asset Disposition, and net of all distributions and other payments required to be made to minority interest holders in Subsidiaries or joint ventures as a result of such Asset Disposition.

"Net Cash Proceeds," with respect to any issuance or sale of Capital Stock, means the cash proceeds of such issuance or sale net of attorneys' fees, accountants' fees, underwriters' or placement agents' fees, discounts or commissions and brokerage, consultant and other fees actually incurred in connection with such issuance or sale and net of taxes paid or payable as a result thereof.

"Notes" means, collectively, the Initial Notes and the Unrestricted Notes treated as a single class of securities, as amended or supplemented from time to time in accordance with the terms of this Indenture.

"Officer" means the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, the Chief Financial Officer, the Treasurer, Controller, Secretary or any Vice President of the Company or any other obligor upon the securities.

"Officers' Certificate" means a certificate signed by the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Vice Chairman, the President or any Vice President and by the Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer or the Secretary of such Person which shall comply with applicable provisions of Sections 11.4 and 11.5 hereof.

"144A Global Note" means a permanent global note in registered form representing the aggregate principal amount of Notes sold in reliance on Rule 144A.

"Opinion of Counsel" means an opinion in writing signed by legal counsel. Such counsel may be an employee of or counsel to the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company.

"Paying Agent" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3.

"Permitted Investments" means any of the following:

(i) any investment in direct obligations of the United States of America or any agency thereof or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America or any agency thereof;

(ii) investments in time deposit accounts, certificates of deposit and money market deposits maturing within 180 days of the date of acquisition thereof issued by a bank or trust company which is organized under the laws of the United States of America, any state thereof or any foreign country recognized by the United States, and, in the case of investments in excess of \$100,000 in any one bank or trust company, which bank or trust company has capital, surplus and undivided profits aggregating in excess of \$50.0 million (or the foreign currency equivalent thereof) and has outstanding debt which is rated "A" (or such similar equivalent rating) or higher by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization (as defined in Rule 436 under the Securities Act) or any money-market fund sponsored by a registered broker dealer or mutual fund distributor;

(iii) repurchase obligations with a term of not more than 30 days for underlying securities of the types described in clause (i) above entered into with a bank meeting the qualifications described in clause (ii) above;

(iv) investments in commercial paper, maturing not more than 90 days after the date of acquisition, issued by a corporation (other than an Affiliate of the Company) organized and in existence under the laws of the United States of America or any foreign country recognized by the United States of America with a rating at the time as of which any investment therein is made of "P-1" (or higher) according to Moody's or "A-1" (or higher) according to S&P;

(v) investments in securities with maturities of six months or less from the date of acquisition issued or fully guaranteed by any state, commonwealth or territory of the United States of America, or by any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof, and rated at least "A" by S&P or "A" by Moody's; and

(vi) any investment in an Accounts Receivables Entity.

"Permitted Liens" means, with respect to any Person,

(a) Liens existing on the date of this Indenture;

(b) Liens securing Indebtedness described in Section 4.9(b)(1) and interest, fees, expenses and other obligations owing under the Credit Agreement and obligations owing under any related guarantee, security or similar agreement;

(c) Liens on property at the time such Person or any of its Subsidiaries acquires the property, including any acquisition by means of a merger or consolidation with

or into such Person or a Subsidiary of such Person; provided, however, that the Liens may not extend to any other property owned by such Person or any of its Subsidiaries;

(d) Liens securing Purchase Money Indebtedness;

(e) additional Liens for any purpose of up to 15% of the Company's Consolidated Assets;

(f) pledges or deposits by such Person under workmen's compensation laws, unemployment insurance laws or similar legislation, or good faith deposits in connection with bids, tenders, contracts (other than for the payment of Indebtedness) or leases to which such Person is a party, or deposits to secure public or statutory obligations of such Person or deposits of cash or United States government bonds to secure surety or appeal bonds to which such Person is a party, or deposits as security for contested taxes or import duties or for the payment of rent, in each case Incurred in the ordinary course of business;

(g) Liens imposed by law, such as carriers', warehousemen's and mechanics' Liens, in each case for sums not yet due or being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings or other Liens arising out of judgments or awards against such Person with respect to which such Person shall then be proceeding with an appeal or other proceedings for review;

(h) Liens for property taxes not yet subject to penalties for non-payment or which are being contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings;

(i) Liens in favor of issuers of surety bonds, performance bonds or letters of credit issued pursuant to the request of and for the account of such Person in the ordinary course of its business; provided, however, that such letters of credit (and reimbursement obligations thereunder) do not constitute Indebtedness;

(j) survey exceptions, encumbrances, easements or reservations of, or rights of others for, licenses, rights of way, sewers, electric lines, telegraph and telephone lines and other similar purposes, or zoning or other restrictions as to the use of real properties or Liens incidental to the conduct of the business of such Person or to the ownership of its properties which were not Incurred in connection with Indebtedness and which do not in the aggregate materially adversely affect the value of said properties or materially impair their use in the operation of the business of such Person;

(k) Liens securing Indebtedness incurred to finance the construction, purchase or lease of, or repairs, improvements or additions to, property of such Person; provided, however, that the Lien may not extend to any other property owned by such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries at the time the Lien is Incurred, and the Indebtedness secured by the Lien may not be Incurred more than 180 days after the later of the acquisition, completion of construction, repair, improvement, addition or commencement of full operation of the property subject to the Lien;

(l) Liens on property or shares of stock of another Person at the time such other Person becomes a Subsidiary of such Person; provided, however, that any such Lien may not extend to any other property owned by such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries;

(m) Liens securing Indebtedness or other obligations of a Subsidiary of such Person owing to such Person or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary of such Person (other than an Unrestricted Subsidiary);

(n) Liens Incurred by another Person on assets that are the subject of a Capital Lease Obligation to which such Person or a Subsidiary of such Person is a party; provided, however, that any such Lien may not secure Indebtedness of such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (except by virtue of clause (vii) of the definition of "Indebtedness") and may not extend to any other property owned by such Person or any Subsidiary of such Person;

(o) Liens securing Interest Rate Protection Agreements so long as the related Indebtedness is, and is permitted to be under this Indenture, secured by a Lien on the same property securing the Interest Rate Protection Agreement;

(p) Liens to secure any Refinancing (or successive Refinancings) as a whole, or in part, of any Indebtedness secured by any Lien (other than that referred to in clauses (b), (e), (q) and (r)); provided, however, that (x) such new Lien shall be limited to all or part of the same property that secured the original Lien (plus improvements on such property) and (y) the Indebtedness secured by such Lien at such time is not increased (other than by an amount necessary to pay fees and expenses, including premiums, related to the Refinancing of such Indebtedness);

(q) Liens Incurred in connection with any Sale/Leaseback Transaction permitted pursuant to Section 4.17 securing borrowings of up to \$20 million;

(r) Liens with respect to any Indebtedness Incurred by any Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to Section 4.9(b)(12); provided that such Lien shall only be a "Permitted Lien" so long as such Indebtedness requires a restriction on distributions referred to under Section 4.9(b)(12); and

(s) Liens securing obligations under a Qualified Receivables Transaction; provided that such Liens do not extend to assets other than receivables assets (as defined in the definition of Qualified Receivables Transactions) or stock of the Accounts Receivable Entity.

"Person" means an individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization, government or any agency or political subdivision thereof or any other entity.

"Physical Notes" means one or more certificated Notes in registered form.

"Preferred Stock," as applied to the Capital Stock of any corporation, means Capital Stock of any class or classes (however designated) which is preferred as to the payment of dividends, or as to the distribution of assets upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation or dissolution of such corporation, over shares of Capital Stock of any other class of such corporation.

"Principal" of a Note means the principal of the Note plus the premium, if any, payable on the Note which is due or overdue or is to become due at the relevant time.

"Private Exchange Securities" has the meaning provided in Section 1 of the Registration Rights Agreement.

"Private Placement Legend" means the legend initially set forth on the Notes in the form set forth on Exhibit A hereto.

"Purchase Agreement" means the Purchase Agreement dated as of July 23, 2003, by and among the Company, the Guarantors and the Initial Purchasers.

"Purchase Money Indebtedness" means Indebtedness

(i) consisting of the deferred purchase price of property, conditional sale obligations, obligations under any title retention agreement and other purchase money obligations, including borrowings, in each case where the maturity of such Indebtedness does not exceed the anticipated useful life of the asset being financed, and

(ii) Incurred to finance the acquisition or construction by any Subsidiary of such asset, including additions and improvements; provided, however, that any Lien arising in connection with any such Indebtedness shall be limited to the specified asset being financed or, in the case of real property or fixtures, including additions and improvements, the real property on which such asset is attached; and provided further, however, that the principal amount of such Indebtedness does not exceed the lesser of 85% of the cost or 85% of the fair market value of the asset being financed (such fair market value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors, as evidenced by a resolution).

"Qualified Capital Stock" means any Capital Stock other than Disqualified Capital Stock.

"Qualified Institutional Buyer" or "QIB" means a "qualified institutional buyer" as that term is defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

"Qualified Receivables Transactions" means any sale or sales by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary of accounts receivable and related assets (the "receivables assets") intended to be a true sale transaction with customary limited recourse based upon the collectibility of the receivables sold and the corresponding pledge of such receivables assets (or an interest therein), in each case without any guarantee by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary other than by an Accounts Receivable Entity; provided that such transaction is on market terms at the time the Company, such Restricted Subsidiary or the Accounts Receivable Entity entered into such transaction.

"Rating Agencies" means (a) S&P, (b) Moody's; or (c) if S&P or Moody's or both shall not make a rating of the Notes publicly available, a nationally recognized securities rating agency or agencies, as the case may be, selected by the Company, which shall be substituted for S&P or Moody's or both, as the case may be.

"Redemption Date," when used with respect to any Note to be redeemed, means the date fixed for such redemption pursuant to this Indenture.

"Redemption Price" means the amount payable for the redemption or repurchase of any Note on the Redemption Date, and shall always include interest accrued and unpaid to the Redemption Date, unless otherwise specifically provided.

"Refinance" means, in respect of any Indebtedness, to refinance, extend, renew, refund, repay, prepay, redeem, defease or retire, or to issue Indebtedness in exchange or replacement for, such Indebtedness. "Refinanced" and "Refinancing" shall have correlative meanings.

"Refinancing Indebtedness" means Indebtedness that Refinances any Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary Incurred in compliance with this Indenture; provided, however, that

(i) such Refinancing Indebtedness has a Stated Maturity no earlier than the Stated Maturity of the Indebtedness being Refinanced;

(ii) such Refinancing Indebtedness has an Average Life at the time such Refinancing Indebtedness is Incurred that is equal to or greater than the Average Life of the Indebtedness being Refinanced;

(iii) such Refinancing Indebtedness has an aggregate principal amount (or if Incurred with original issue discount, an aggregate issue price) that is equal to or less than the aggregate principal amount (or if Incurred with original issue discount, the aggregate accreted value) then outstanding or committed (plus fees and expenses, including any premium and defeasance costs) under the Indebtedness being Refinanced; provided further, however, that Refinancing Indebtedness shall not include (x) Indebtedness of a Subsidiary that refinances Indebtedness of the Company or (y) Indebtedness of the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary that refinances Indebtedness of an Unrestricted Subsidiary; and

(iv) such Refinancing Indebtedness is subordinated in right of payment to the Notes at least to the extent that the Indebtedness to be Refinanced is subordinated in right of payment to the Notes.

"Registrar" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3.

"Registration Rights Agreement" means the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement dated as of August 6, 2003, by and among the Company and the Initial Purchasers.

"Regulation S" means Regulation S under the Securities Act.

"Related Business" means any business related, ancillary or complementary to the businesses of the Company and the Restricted Subsidiaries on the Issue Date.

"Responsible Officer," when used with respect to the Trustee, shall mean any officer in the corporate trust department of the Trustee or any officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by any officer in the corporate trust department of the Trustee with respect to a particular corporate matter or any other officer to whom any corporate trust matter is referred because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and who shall have direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

"Restricted Payment" with respect to any Person means

(i) the declaration or payment of any dividends or any other distributions of any sort in respect of its Capital Stock (including any payment in connection with any merger or consolidation involving such Person) or similar payment to the direct or indirect holders of its Capital Stock (other than dividends or distributions payable solely in its Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Capital Stock) or rights to acquire its Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Capital Stock) and dividends or distributions payable solely to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary, and other than pro rata dividends or other distributions made by a Subsidiary to minority stockholders (or owners of an equivalent interest in the case of a Subsidiary that is an entity other than a corporation)),

(ii) the purchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement for value of any Capital Stock of the Company or of any Restricted Subsidiary held by any Person or of any Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary held by any Affiliate of the Company (other than a Wholly Owned Subsidiary), including the exercise of any option to exchange any Capital Stock (other than into Capital Stock of the Company that is not Disqualified Capital Stock), or

(iii) the making of any Investment in any Person (other than (x) a Permitted Investment or (y) any Investment made to acquire a Restricted Subsidiary).

"Restricted Security" has the meaning set forth in Rule 144(a)(3) under the Securities Act; provided, however, that the Trustee shall be entitled to request and conclusively rely upon an Opinion of Counsel with respect to whether any Note is a Restricted Security.

"Restricted Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary of the Company that is not an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

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

"Rule 144A Global Note" means a permanent global security in registered form representing the outstanding principal amount of Notes sold in reliance on Rule 144A.

"S&P" means Standard and Poor's Rating Group or any successor to its debt rating business.

"Sale/Leaseback Transaction" means an arrangement relating to property now owned or hereafter acquired whereby the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary transfers such property to a Person and leases it back from such Person, other than leases for a term of not more than 12 months or between the Company and a Wholly Owned Subsidiary or between Wholly Owned Subsidiaries.

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

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Senior Indebtedness" means

(i) Indebtedness of the Company, whether outstanding on the Issue Date or thereafter Incurred; and

(ii) accrued and unpaid interest (including interest accruing on or after the filing of any petition in bankruptcy or for reorganization relating to the Company to the extent post-filing interest is allowed in such proceeding) in respect of

(A) Indebtedness of the Company for money borrowed and

(B) Indebtedness evidenced by notes, debentures, bonds or other similar instruments for the payment of which the Company is responsible or liable unless, in the instrument creating or evidencing the same or pursuant to which the same is outstanding, it is provided that such obligations are subordinate in right of payment to the Notes;

provided, however, that Senior Indebtedness shall not include

(1) any obligation of the Company to any Subsidiary,

(2) any liability for federal, state, local or other taxes owed or owing by the Company,

(3) any accounts payable or other liability to trade creditors arising in the ordinary course of business (including guarantees thereof or instruments evidencing such liabilities),

(4) any Indebtedness of the Company (and any accrued and unpaid interest in respect thereof) which is expressly subordinate in right of payment to any other Indebtedness or other obligation of the Company or

(5) that portion of any Indebtedness which at the time of Incurrence is Incurred in violation of this Indenture.

"Significant Subsidiary" with respect to any Person, means any Restricted Subsidiary of such Person that satisfies the criteria of a "significant subsidiary" set forth in Rule 1-02(w) of Regulation S-X under the Exchange Act.

"Stated Maturity" means, with respect to any security, the date specified in such security as the fixed date on which the final payment of principal of such security is due and payable, including pursuant to any mandatory redemption provision (but excluding any provision providing for the repurchase of such security at the option of the holder thereof upon the happening of any contingency unless such contingency has occurred).

"Subordinated Indebtedness" means any Indebtedness of the Company (whether outstanding on the Issue Date or thereafter Incurred) which is subordinate or junior in right of payment to the Notes pursuant to a written agreement to that effect.

"Subsidiary" means, in respect of any Person, any corporation, association, partnership or other business entity of which more than 50% of the total voting power of shares of Capital Stock or other interests (including partnership interests) entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees thereof is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by (i) such Person, (ii) such Person and one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or (iii) one or more Subsidiaries of such Person.

"TIA" or "Trust Indenture Act" means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (15 U.S.C. Sections 77aaa-77bbb), as in effect on the date on which this Indenture is qualified under the TIA, except as provided in Section 9.3 hereof; provided, however, that in the event the Trust Indenture Act is amended after such date, "Trust Indenture Act" and "TIA" mean, to the extent required by such amendment, the Trust Indenture Act as so amended.

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

"Unrestricted Notes" means one or more Notes that do not and are not required to bear the Private Placement Legend in the form set forth in Exhibit A hereto, including, without limitation, the Exchange Notes and any Notes registered under the Securities Act pursuant to and in accordance with the Registration Rights Agreement.

"Unrestricted Subsidiary" means (i) any Subsidiary of the Company that at the time of determination shall be designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary by the Board of Directors under Section 4.10 and (ii) any Subsidiary of an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

"U.S. Government Obligations" means direct obligations (or certificates representing an ownership interest in such obligations) of the United States of America (including any agency or instrumentality thereof) for the payment of which the full faith and credit of the United States of America is pledged and which are not callable at the issuer's option.

"Vestar" means Vestar WABCO Investors, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership.

"Vestar Capital" means Vestar Capital Partners, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Voting Stock" of a corporation means all classes of Capital Stock of such corporation then outstanding and normally entitled to vote in the election of directors.

"Wholly Owned Subsidiary" means a Restricted Subsidiary all the Capital Stock of which (other than directors' qualifying shares and shares held by other Persons to the extent such shares are required by applicable law to be held by a Person other than the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary) is owned by the Company or one or more Wholly Owned Subsidiaries.

Section 1.2. Other Definitions.

Term	Defined in Section
"Affiliate Transaction"	4.14(a)
"Asset Sale Offer"	4.13(a)
"Asset Sale Offer Date"	4.13(a)
"Asset Sale Offer Trigger Date" ...	4.13(a)
"Asset Sale Payment Date"	4.13(b)
"Change of Control Offer"	4.15(a)
"covenant defeasance"	8.1(c)
"Coverage Ratio Exception"	4.9(a)
"Custodian"	6.1
"Designation"	4.10
"Designation Amount"	4.10
"Event of Default"	6.1
"legal defeasance"	8.1(b)
"Paying Agent"	2.3
"Permitted Indebtedness"	4.9(b)
"Reference Date"	4.11(a)
"Registrar"	2.3
"Reversion Date"	4.19
"Revocation"	4.10
"Successor Company"	5.1
"Suspended Covenants"	4.20(a)
"Suspension Period"	4.20(a)
"Unrestricted Subsidiary"	4.10

Section 1.3. Incorporation by Reference of Trust Indenture Act.

Whenever this Indenture refers to a provision of the TIA, the 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 security holder" means a Noteholder;

"indenture to be qualified" means this Indenture;

"indenture trustee" or "institutional trustee" means the Trustee; and

"obligor" on the Notes means the Company, any other obligor upon the Notes or any successor obligor upon 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 under the TIA have the meaning so assigned to them.

In addition, for purposes of Sections 311(b)(4) and 311(b)(6) of the TIA, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"cash transaction" means any transaction in which full payment for goods or securities sold is made within seven days after delivery of the goods or securities in currency or in checks or other orders drawn upon banks or bankers acceptances and payable upon demand.

"self-liquidating paper" means any draft, bill of exchange, acceptance or obligation which is made, drawn, negotiated or incurred by the Company for the purpose of financing the purchase, processing, manufacture, shipment, storage or sale of goods, wares or merchandise and which is secured by documents evidencing title to, possession of or a lien upon, the goods, wares or merchandise or the receivables or proceeds arising from the sale of the goods, wares or merchandise previously constituting the security, provided the security is received by the Trustee simultaneously with the creation of the creditor relationship with the Company arising from the making, drawing, negotiating or incurring of the draft, bill of exchange, acceptance or obligation.

Section 1.4. Rules of Construction.

Unless the context otherwise requires:

- (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;
- (5) words in the singular include the plural, and in the plural include the singular;
- (6) unsecured Indebtedness shall not be deemed to be subordinate or junior to secured Indebtedness merely by virtue of its nature as unsecured Indebtedness; and
- (7) provisions apply to successive events and transactions.

ARTICLE 2

THE NOTES

Section 2.1. Form and Dating.

The Notes and the Trustee's certificate of authentication thereof shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto, which is hereby incorporated in and expressly made a part of this Indenture. The Exchange Notes and the Trustee's certificate of authentication thereof shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit B hereto, which is hereby incorporated in and expressly made a part of this Indenture. The Notes may have notations, legends or endorsements required by law, stock exchange rule or usage. The Company and the Trustee shall approve the form of the Notes and any notation, legend or endorsement on them. Each Note shall be dated the date of its authentication.

Notes offered and sold in reliance on Rule 144A shall be issued initially in the form of one or more Rule 144A Global Notes and Notes offered and sold in reliance on Regulation S shall be issued initially in the form of one or more Regulation S Global Notes, each substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A hereto, deposited with the Trustee, as custodian for the Depository, duly executed by the Company and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided and shall bear the legend set forth in Exhibit C hereto. The aggregate principal amount of the Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for the Depository, as hereinafter provided.

Section 2.2. Execution and Authentication.

Two Officers shall sign (each of whom shall, in each case, have been duly authorized by all requisite corporate actions) the Notes for the Company by manual or facsimile signature.

If an Officer whose signature is on a Note no longer holds that office at the time the Trustee authenticates the Note, the Note shall be valid nevertheless.

A Note shall not be valid until authenticated by the manual signature of the Trustee. The signature shall be conclusive evidence that the Note has been authenticated under this Indenture. The form of Trustee's certificate of authentication to be borne by the Notes shall be substantially as set forth in Exhibits A and B hereto.

The Trustee shall authenticate (i) Initial Notes that are 6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013 for original issue on the Closing Date in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$150,000,000, or (ii) Unrestricted Notes from time to time only in exchange for a like principal amount of Initial Notes, in each case upon a written order of the Company in the form of an Officers' Certificate. Each such written order shall specify the amount of Notes to be authenticated and the date on which the Notes are to be authenticated, whether the Notes are to be Initial Notes or Unrestricted Notes and whether the Notes are to be issued as Physical Notes or Global Notes and such other information as the Trustee may reasonably request. Additional Notes may be issued in accordance with Section 2.17 and Unrestricted Notes may be issued in exchange for Ad-

ditional Notes that are Restricted Notes. Any such order or orders shall specify the amount of the Notes to be authenticated and the date on which the original issue of Notes is to be authenticated and, in the case of an issuance of Additional Notes pursuant to Section 2.17 after the Issue Date, whether such Additional Notes shall be issued as Initial Notes or Unrestricted Notes, shall certify that such issuance will not be prohibited by Section 4.9.

The Trustee may appoint an authenticating agent acceptable to the Company to authenticate Notes. Unless otherwise provided in the appointment, 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 the Company or an Affiliate.

The Notes shall be issuable only in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof.

Section 2.3. Registrar and Paying Agent.

The Company shall maintain an office or agency where Notes may be presented for registration of transfer or for exchange ("Registrar") and an office or agency including the office or agency maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 4.2 where Notes may be presented for payment ("Paying Agent"). The Registrar shall keep a register of the 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 "Paying Agent" includes any additional paying agent. The Company may change any Paying Agent, Registrar or co-registrar without notice to any Noteholder. The Company shall notify the Trustee of the name and address of any Agent not a party to this Indenture. If the Company fails to appoint or maintain another entity as Registrar or Paying Agent, the Trustee shall act as such. The Company or any of its Subsidiaries may act as Paying Agent, Registrar or co-registrar.

The Company initially appoints the Trustee as Registrar and Paying Agent in connection with the Notes.

Section 2.4. Paying Agent To Hold Money in Trust.

The Company (or any other obligor upon the Notes) 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 Noteholders or the Trustee all money held by the Paying Agent for the payment of principal or interest on the Notes, and will notify the Trustee of any Default by the Company (or any other obligor upon the Notes) 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 (or any other obligor upon the Notes) at any time may require a Paying Agent to pay all money held by it to the Trustee. Upon payment over to the Trustee of all money that shall have been delivered by the Company to the Paying Agent, the Paying Agent shall have no further liability for the money. If the Company, a Subsidiary or any other obligor upon the Notes acts as Paying Agent, it shall segregate and hold in a separate trust fund for the benefit of the Noteholders all money held by it as Paying Agent.

Section 2.5. Noteholder 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 Noteholders and shall otherwise comply with TIA Section 312(a). If the Trustee is not the Registrar, the Company (or any other obligor upon the Notes) shall furnish to the Trustee at least seven Business Days before each interest payment date (and in all events at intervals of not more than six months) and at such 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 Noteholders, and the Company shall otherwise comply with TIA Section 312(a).

Section 2.6. Transfer and Exchange.

The Notes will be issued in fully registered form and will be transferable only upon the surrender of the Notes being transferred for registration of transfer. Where Notes are presented to the Registrar or a co-registrar with a request to register, transfer or exchange them for an equal principal amount of Notes of other denominations, the Registrar shall register the transfer or make the exchange if its requirements for such transactions are met; provided that any Note presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed or accompanied by a written instruction of transfer in form satisfactory to the Registrar and the Trustee duly executed by the Holder thereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing. To permit registrations of transfer and exchanges in compliance with this Indenture, the Company shall issue and the Trustee shall authenticate Notes at the Registrar's request.

The Company shall not be required (i) to issue, to register the transfer of or to exchange Notes during a period beginning at the opening of business on a Business Day 15 days before the day of any selection of Notes for redemption under Section 3.2 hereof and ending at the close of business on the day of selection, (ii) to register the transfer of or exchange of a Note so selected for redemption in whole or in part, except the unredeemed portion of any Note being redeemed in part or (iii) to register the transfer or exchange of a Note between the record date and the next succeeding interest payment date.

No service charge shall be made for any registration of transfer or exchange (except as otherwise expressly permitted herein), but the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax, assessment or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith (other than such transfer tax or similar governmental charge payable upon exchanges pursuant to Section 2.10, 3.6 or 9.5 hereof).

Prior to the registration of any transfer by a Holder as provided herein, the Issuer, the Trustee and any Agent of the Company shall treat the Person in whose name the Note is registered on the register maintained by the Trustee as the owner thereof for all purposes whether or not the Note shall be overdue, and none of the Company, the Trustee nor any such Agent shall be affected by notice to the contrary. Any consent, waiver or actions of a Holder shall be binding upon any subsequent Holders of such Note or a Note received upon transfer.

Any Holder of a beneficial interest in a Global Note shall, by acceptance of such beneficial interest in a Global Note, agree that transfers of beneficial interests in such Global

Note may be effected only through a book-entry system maintained by the Depository (or its agent), and that ownership of a beneficial interest in a Global Note shall be required to be reflected in a book entry.

Section 2.7. Replacement Notes.

If any mutilated Note is surrendered to the Trustee, or the Company and the Trustee receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, the Company shall issue and the Trustee, upon the written order of the Company signed by two Officers, shall authenticate a replacement Note if the Trustee's requirements for replacement of Notes 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 or any authenticating agent from any loss which any of them may suffer if a Note is replaced. The Company may charge for its expenses in replacing a Note.

Every replacement Note is an additional obligation of the Company and entitled to the benefit of this Indenture.

Section 2.8. Outstanding Notes.

The Notes outstanding at any time are all the Notes authenticated by the Trustee except for those cancelled by it, those delivered to it for cancellation and those described in this Section 2.8 as not outstanding.

If a Note is replaced pursuant to Section 2.7 hereof (other than a mutilated Note surrendered for replacement), it ceases to be outstanding unless the Trustee receives proof satisfactory to it that the replaced Note is held by a bona fide purchaser. A mutilated Note ceases to be outstanding upon surrender of such Note and replacement thereof pursuant to Section 2.7.

If the Paying Agent segregates and holds on a redemption date or maturity date money sufficient to pay all principal and interest payable on that date with respect to the Notes (or portions thereof) to be redeemed or maturing, as the case may be, and is not prohibited from paying such money to the Holders thereof pursuant to the terms of this Indenture, then on and after that date such Notes (or portions thereof) cease to be outstanding and interest on them ceases to accrue.

A Note does not cease to be outstanding because the Company or an Affiliate holds the Note, except as otherwise provided in Section 2.9 hereof.

Section 2.9. Treasury Notes.

In determining whether the Holders of the required principal amount of Notes have concurred in any direction, waiver or consent, Notes owned by the Company or a Subsidiary thereof 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 which a Responsible Officer of the Trustee actually knows are so owned shall be so disregarded.

Section 2.10. Temporary Notes.

Until definitive Notes are ready for delivery, the Company may prepare and the Trustee shall authenticate temporary Notes upon receipt of a written order of the Company in the form of an Officers' Certificate. The Officers' Certificate shall specify the amount of temporary Notes to be authenticated and the date on which the temporary Notes are to be authenticated.

Temporary Notes shall be substantially in the form of definitive Notes but may have variations that the Company and the Trustee consider appropriate for temporary Notes. Without unreasonable delay, the Company shall prepare and the Trustee shall authenticate upon receipt of a written order of the Company in the form of an Officers' Certificate pursuant to Section 2.2 definitive Notes in exchange for temporary Notes.

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 transfer, exchange or payment. The Trustee shall cancel and dispose of all Notes surrendered for transfer, exchange, payment, replacement or cancellation. Subject to Section 2.7, the Company may not issue new Notes to replace Notes that it has paid or that have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation. All cancelled Notes held by the Trustee shall be disposed of by the Trustee in its customary manner.

Section 2.12. Defaulted Interest.

If the Company defaults in a payment of interest on the Notes, it shall pay the defaulted interest in any lawful manner plus, to the extent lawful, interest payable on the defaulted interest, to the Persons who are Noteholders on a subsequent special record date, in each case at the rate provided in the Notes. The Company shall, with the consent of the Trustee, fix each such special record date and payment date. At least 15 days before the special record date, the Company (or the Trustee, in the name of and at the expense of the Company) shall mail to Note-holders a notice that states the special record date, the related payment date and the amount of such interest to be paid.

Section 2.13. Persons Deemed Owners.

Prior to due presentment of a Note for registration of transfer and subject to Section 2.12, the Company, the Trustee, any Paying Agent, any co-registrar and any Registrar may deem and treat the person in whose name any Note shall be registered upon the register of Notes kept by the Registrar as the absolute owner of such Note (whether or not such Note shall be overdue and notwithstanding any notation of the ownership or other writing thereon made by anyone other than the Company, any co-registrar and any Registrar) for the purpose of receiving payments of principal of or interest on such Note and for all other purposes; and none of the Company, the Trustee, any Paying Agent, any co-registrar or any Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

Section 2.14. 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 shall promptly notify the Trustee of any change in the CUSIP numbers.

Section 2.15. Book-Entry Provisions for Global Notes.

(a) The Global Notes initially shall (i) be registered in the name of the Depository or the nominee of such Depository, (ii) be delivered to the Trustee as custodian for such Depository and (iii) bear legends as set forth in Exhibit C.

Members of, or participants in, the Depository ("Participants") shall have no rights under this Indenture with respect to any Global Note held on their behalf by the Depository, or the Trustee as its custodian, or under the Global Note, and the Depository may be treated by the Company, the Trustee and any agent of the Company or the Trustee as the absolute owner of the Global Note for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall prevent the Company, the Trustee or any agent of the Company or the Trustee from giving effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by the Depository or impair, as between the Depository and Participants, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Note.

(b) Transfers of Global Notes shall be limited to transfers in whole, but not in part, to the Depository, its successors or their respective nominees. Interests of beneficial owners in the Global Notes may be transferred or exchanged for Physical Notes in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository and the provisions of Section 2.16; provided, however, that Physical Notes shall be transferred to all beneficial owners in exchange for their beneficial interests in Global Notes if (i) the Depository notifies the Company that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for the Global Notes and a successor Depository is not appointed by the Company within 90 days of such notice, (ii) the Depository ceases to be registered as a clearing agency under the Exchange Act and a successor depository is not appointed within 90 days, (iii) the Company, at its option, notifies the Trustee that it elects to cause the issuance of Physical Notes, or (iv) an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and the Registrar has received a request from the Depository to issue Physical Notes.

(c) In connection with the transfer of Global Notes as an entirety to beneficial owners pursuant to paragraph (b) of this Section 2.15, the Global Notes shall be deemed to be surrendered to the Trustee for cancellation, and the Company shall execute, and the Trustee shall upon written instructions from the Company authenticate and deliver, to each beneficial owner identified by the Depository in exchange for its beneficial interest in the Global Notes, an equal aggregate principal amount of Physical Notes of authorized denominations.

(d) Any Physical Note constituting a Restricted Note delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Note pursuant to paragraph (c) of this Section 2.15 shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.16, bear the Private Placement Legend.

(e) The Holder of any Global Note may grant proxies and otherwise authorize any Person, including Participants and Persons that may hold interests through Participants, to take any action which a Holder is entitled to take under this Indenture or the Notes.

Section 2.16. Registration of Transfers and Exchanges.

(a) Transfer and Exchange of Physical Notes. When Physical Notes are presented to the Registrar or co-Registrar with a written request:

(i) to register the transfer of the Physical Notes; or

(ii) to exchange such Physical Notes for an equal principal amount of Physical Notes of other authorized denominations,

the Registrar or co-Registrar shall register the transfer or make the exchange as requested if the requirements under this Indenture as set forth in this Section 2.16 for such transactions are met; provided, however, that the Physical Notes presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange:

(I) shall be duly endorsed or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Registrar or co-Registrar, duly executed by the Holder thereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing; and

(II) in the case of Physical Notes the offer and sale of which have not been registered under the Securities Act, such Physical Notes shall be accompanied, in the discretion of the Company or the Trustee, by the following additional information and documents, as applicable:

(A) if such Physical Note is being delivered to the Registrar or co-Registrar by a Holder for registration in the name of such Holder, without transfer, a certification from such Holder to that effect (substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto); or

(B) if such Physical Note is being transferred to a QIB in accordance with Rule 144A, a certification to that effect (substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto); or

(C) if such Physical Note is being transferred to an Institutional Accredited Investor, delivery of a certification to that effect (substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto) and a transferee letter of representation (substantially in the form of Exhibit E hereto) and, at the option of the Company or the Trustee, an Opinion of Counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Company or the Trustee, as the

case may be, to the effect that such transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act; or

(D) if such Physical Note is being transferred in reliance on Regulation S, delivery of a certification to that effect (substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto) and a transferor certificate for Regulation S transfer substantially in the form of Exhibit F hereto and, at the option of the Company or the Trustee, an Opinion of Counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Company or the Trustee, as the case may be, to the effect that such transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act; or

(E) if such Physical Note is being transferred in reliance on Rule 144 under the Securities Act, delivery of a certification to that effect (substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto) and, at the option of the Company or the Trustee, an Opinion of Counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Company or the Trustee, as the case may be, to the effect that such transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act; or

(F) if such Physical Note is being transferred in reliance on another exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, a certification to that effect (substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto) and, at the option of the Company or the Trustee, an Opinion of Counsel reasonably acceptable to the Company or the Trustee, as the case may be, to the effect that such transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act.

(b) Restrictions on Transfer of a Physical Note for a Beneficial Interest in a Global Note. A Physical Note the offer and sale of which has not been registered under the Securities Act may not be exchanged for a beneficial interest in a Global Note except upon satisfaction of the requirements set forth below. Upon receipt by the Registrar or co-Registrar of a Physical Note, duly endorsed or accompanied by appropriate instruments of transfer, in form satisfactory to the Registrar or co-Registrar, together with:

(A) certification, substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto, that such Physical Note is being transferred (I) to a QIB, (II) to an Institutional Accredited Investor or (III) in an offshore transaction in reliance on Regulation S and, with respect to (II) and (III), at the option of the Company or the Trustee, an Opinion of Counsel reasonably acceptable to the Company or the Trustee, as the case may be, to the effect that such transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act; and

(B) written instructions directing the Registrar or co-Registrar to make, or to direct the Depository to make, an endorsement on the applicable Global Note to reflect an increase in the aggregate amount of the Notes represented by the Global Note,

then the Registrar or co-Registrar shall cancel such Physical Note and cause, or direct the Depository to cause, in accordance with the standing instructions and procedures existing between the Depository and the Registrar or co-Registrar, the principal amount of Notes represented by the applicable Global Note to be increased accordingly. If no 144A Global Note, IAI Global

Note or Regulation S Global Note, as the case may be, is then outstanding, the Company shall, unless either of the events in the proviso to Section 2.15(b) have occurred and are continuing, issue and the Trustee shall, upon written instructions from the Company in accordance with Section 2.2, authenticate such a Global Note in the appropriate principal amount. Private Exchange Securities, as such, may not be exchanged for a beneficial interest in a Global Note.

(c) Transfer and Exchange of Global Notes. The transfer and exchange of Global Notes or beneficial interests therein shall be effected through the Depository in accordance with this Indenture (including the restrictions on transfer set forth herein) and the procedures of the Depository therefor. Upon receipt by the Registrar or Co-Registrar of written instructions, or such other instruction as is customary for the Depository, from the Depository or its nominee, requesting the registration of transfer of an interest in a 144A Global Note, an IAI Global Note or a Regulation S Global Note, as the case may be, to another type of Global Note, together with the applicable Global Notes (or, if the applicable type of Global Note required to represent the interest as requested to be obtained is not then outstanding, only the Global Note representing the interest being transferred), the Registrar or Co-Registrar shall reflect on its books and records (and the applicable Global Note) the applicable increase and decrease of the principal amount of Notes represented by such types of Global Notes, giving effect to such transfer. If the applicable type of Global Note required to represent the interest as requested to be obtained is not outstanding at the time of such request, the Company shall issue and the Trustee shall, upon written instructions from the Company in accordance with Section 2.2, authenticate a new Global Note of such type in principal amount equal to the principal amount of the interest requested to be transferred.

(d) Transfer of a Beneficial Interest in a Global Note for a Physical Note.

(i) Any Person having a beneficial interest in a Global Note may upon written request exchange such beneficial interest for a Physical Note; provided, however, that prior to the Registration, a transferee that is a QIB, non-U.S. person or Institutional Accredited Investor may not exchange a beneficial interest in Global Note for a Physical Note. Upon receipt by the Registrar or co-Registrar of written instructions, or such other form of instructions as is customary for the Depository, from the Depository or its nominee on behalf of any Person having a beneficial interest in a Global Note and upon receipt by the Trustee of a written order or such other form of instructions as is customary for the Depository or the Person designated by the Depository as having such a beneficial interest containing registration instructions and, in the case of any such transfer or exchange of a beneficial interest in Notes the offer and sale of which have not been registered under the Securities Act, the following additional information and documents:

(A) if such beneficial interest is being transferred in reliance on Rule 144 under the Securities Act, delivery of a certification to that effect (substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto) and, at the option of the Company or the Trustee, an Opinion of Counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Company or the Trustee, as the case may be, to the effect that such transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act; or

(B) if such beneficial interest is being transferred in reliance on another exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, a certification to that effect (substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto) and, at the option of the Company or the Trustee, an Opinion of Counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Company or the Trustee, as the case may be, to the effect that such transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act,

then the Registrar or co-Registrar will cause, in accordance with the standing instructions and procedures existing between the Depository and the Registrar or co-Registrar, the aggregate principal amount of the applicable Global Note to be reduced and, following such reduction, the Company will execute and, upon receipt of an authentication order in the form of an Officers' Certificate in accordance with Section 2.2, the Trustee will authenticate and deliver to the transferee a Physical Note in the appropriate principal amount.

(ii) Notes issued in exchange for a beneficial interest in a Global Note pursuant to this Section 2.16(d) shall be registered in such names and in such authorized denominations as the Depository, pursuant to instructions from its direct or indirect participants or otherwise, shall instruct the Registrar or co-Registrar in writing. The Registrar or co-Registrar shall deliver such Physical Notes to the Persons in whose names such Physical Notes are so registered.

(e) Restrictions on Transfer and Exchange of Global Notes. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture, a Global Note may not be transferred as a whole except by the Depository to a nominee of the Depository or by a nominee of the Depository to the Depository or another nominee of the Depository or by the Depository or any such nominee to a successor Depository or a nominee of such successor Depository.

(f) Private Placement Legend. Upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Notes not bearing the Private Placement Legend, the Registrar or co-Registrar shall deliver Notes that do not bear the Private Placement Legend. Upon the transfer, exchange or replacement of Notes bearing the Private Placement Legend, the Registrar or co-Registrar shall deliver only Notes that bear the Private Placement Legend unless, and the Trustee is hereby authorized to deliver Notes without the Private Placement Legend if, (i) there is delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Company and the Trustee to the effect that neither such legend nor the related restrictions on transfer are required in order to maintain compliance with the provisions of the Securities Act; (ii) such Note has been sold pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act (including pursuant to a Registration); or (iii) the date of such transfer, exchange or replacement is two years after the later of (x) the Issue Date and (y) the last date that the Company or any affiliate (as defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act) of the Company was the owner of such Notes (or any predecessor thereto).

(g) Regulation S. During or prior to the end of the "40-day restricted period" within the meaning of Rule 903(c) of Regulation S, beneficial interests in the Regulation S Global Note may only be held through the Euroclear System, as operated by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. ("Euroclear") and Clearstream Banking, S.A. ("Clearstream").

(h) General. By its acceptance of any Note bearing the Private Placement Legend, each Holder of such a Note acknowledges the restrictions on transfer of such Note set forth in this Indenture and in the Private Placement Legend and agrees that it will transfer such Note only as provided in this Indenture.

The Trustee shall have no obligation or duty to monitor, determine or inquire as to compliance with any restrictions on transfer imposed under this Indenture or under applicable law with respect to any transfer of any interest in any Note (including any transfers between or among Participants or beneficial owners of interest in any Global Note) other than to require delivery of such certificates and other documentation or evidence as are expressly required by, and to do so if and when expressly required by the terms of, this Indenture, and to examine the same to determine substantial compliance as to form with the express requirements hereof.

The Registrar shall retain copies of all letters, notices and other written communications received pursuant to Section 2.15 or this Section 2.16. The Company shall have the right to inspect and make copies of all such letters, notices or other written communications at any reasonable time upon the giving of reasonable written notice to the Registrar.

Section 2.17. Issuance of Additional Notes.

The Company shall be entitled to issue Additional Notes under this Indenture which shall have identical terms as the Notes issued on the Issue Date, other than with respect to the date of issuance, issue price and amount of interest payable on the first payment date applicable thereto (and, if such Additional Notes shall be issued in the form of Unrestricted Notes or Exchange Notes, other than with respect to transfer restrictions); provided that such issuance is not prohibited by Section 4.04. The Initial Notes issued on the Issue Date, any Additional Notes and all Exchange Notes issued in exchange therefor shall be treated as a single class for all purposes under this Indenture.

With respect to any Additional Notes, the Company shall set forth in a Board Resolution and in an Officers' Certificate, a copy of each of which shall be delivered to the Trustee, the following information:

(1) the aggregate principal amount of such Additional Notes to be authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture;

(2) the issue price, the issue date and the CUSIP number of such Additional Notes and the amount of interest payable on the first payment date applicable thereto; and

(3) whether such Additional Notes shall be Restricted Securities and issued in the form of Initial Notes or shall be registered securities issued in the form of Unrestricted Notes.

ARTICLE 3

REDEMPTION

Section 3.1. Notices to Trustee.

If the Company elects to redeem Notes pursuant to the redemption provisions of Section 3.7 hereof, it shall notify the Trustee in writing of the Redemption Date and the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed.

The Company shall give each notice to the Trustee provided for in this Section 3.1 at least 60 days before the Redemption Date unless the Trustee consents to a shorter period. Such notice shall be accompanied by an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel from the Company to the effect that such redemption will comply with the conditions herein. If fewer than all the Notes are to be redeemed, the record date relating to such redemption shall be selected by the Company and given to the Trustee, which record date shall be not less than 15 days after the date of notice to the Trustee.

Any such notice may be cancelled prior to notice being mailed to any Holder pursuant to Section 3.3 hereof and shall thereafter be void and of no effect.

Section 3.2. Selection of Notes To Be Redeemed.

If fewer than all the Notes are to be redeemed, the Trustee shall select the Notes to be redeemed pro rata or on as nearly a pro rata basis as possible (subject to DTC procedures), if any, and that the Trustee in its sole discretion considers fair and appropriate and in accordance with methods generally used at the time of selection by fiduciaries in similar circumstances. The Trustee shall make the selection from outstanding Notes not previously called for redemption. The Trustee may select for redemption portions of the principal of Notes that have denominations larger than \$1,000. Notes and portions of them the Trustee selects shall be in amounts of \$1,000 or a whole multiple of \$1,000. Provisions of this Indenture that apply to Notes called for redemption also apply to portions of Notes called for redemption. The Trustee shall notify the Company promptly of the Notes or portions of Notes to be redeemed.

Section 3.3. Notice of Redemption.

At least 30 days but not more than 60 days before a Redemption Date, the Company shall mail a notice of redemption by first-class mail to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed at its registered address.

The notice shall identify (including the CUSIP number, if any) the Notes to be redeemed and shall state:

- (1) the Redemption Date;
- (2) the Redemption Price and accrued interest;

(3) the name and address of the Paying Agent;

(4) that Notes called for redemption must be surrendered to the Paying Agent to collect the Redemption Price;

(5) if fewer than all the outstanding Notes are to be redeemed, the identification and principal amounts of the particular Notes to be redeemed;

(6) that, unless the Company defaults in making such redemption payment interest on Notes (or portion thereof) called for redemption ceases to accrue on and after the Redemption Date; and

(7) that no representation is made as to the correctness or accuracy of the CUSIP number, if any, listed in such notice or printed on the Notes.

At the Company's request, the Trustee shall give the notice of redemption in the Company's name and at the Company's expense. In such event, the Company shall provide the Trustee with the information required by this Section 3.3.

Section 3.4. Effect of Notice of Redemption.

Once notice of redemption is mailed, Notes called for redemption become due and payable on the Redemption Date and at the Redemption Price stated in the notice. Upon surrender to the Paying Agent, such Notes shall be paid at the Redemption Price stated in the notice, plus accrued interest to the Redemption Date. Failure to give notice or any defect in the notice to any Holder shall not affect the validity of the notice to any other Holder.

Section 3.5. Deposit of Redemption Price.

Prior to the Redemption Date, the Company shall deposit with the Paying Agent (or, if the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is the Paying Agent, shall segregate and hold in trust) money sufficient to pay the Redemption Price of and accrued interest on all Notes to be redeemed on that date, other than Notes or portions of Notes called for redemption which have been delivered by the Company to the Trustee for cancellation.

Section 3.6. Notes Redeemed in Part.

Upon surrender and cancellation of a Note that is redeemed in part, the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate for the Holder at the expense of the Company a new Note equal in principal amount to the unredeemed portion of the Note surrendered.

Section 3.7. Equity Clawback.

At any time, or from time to time, on or prior to July 31, 2006 the Company may, at its option, use the net cash proceeds of one or more Equity Offerings (as defined below) to redeem up to 35% of the principal amount of the Notes issued under this Indenture at a redemption price of 106.875% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, to the date of redemption; provided that:

(1) at least 65% of the principal amount of Notes issued under this Indenture remains outstanding immediately after any such redemption; and

(2) the Company makes such redemption not more than 90 days after the consummation of any such Equity Offering.

"Equity Offering" means a public or private offering of Qualified Capital Stock of the Company to any Person in which the gross cash proceeds to the Company are at least \$50 million.

No Notes of a principal amount of \$1,000 or less shall be redeemed in part. If a partial redemption is made pursuant to the foregoing provision, the Trustee will select the Notes only on a pro rata basis or on as nearly a pro rata basis as is practicable (subject to DTC procedures).

Any redemption pursuant to this Section 3.7 shall be made pursuant to the provisions of Sections 3.1 through 3.6 hereof.

Section 3.8. Limitations.

The provisions of this Article 3 and of the Notes shall not apply to any private or open market purchase of Notes by the Company, whether or not any Notes so purchased are retired or extinguished.

ARTICLE 4

COVENANTS

Subject to the provisions of Article 8, so long as Notes are outstanding hereunder, the Company covenants for the benefit of the Noteholders that:

Section 4.1. Payment of Principal and Interest.

The Company shall promptly pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes on the dates and in the manner provided in the Notes and the Registration Rights Agreement. Principal, premium, if any, and interest shall be considered paid on the date due if on such date the Trustee or the Paying Agent holds in accordance with this Indenture money sufficient to pay all principal, premium, if any, and interest then due.

The Company shall pay interest on overdue principal and premium, if any, at the rate specified therefor in the Notes, and it shall pay interest on overdue installments of interest at the same rate to the extent lawful as provided in Section 2.12.

Section 4.2. Maintenance of Office or Agency for Notices and Demands.

The Company will maintain in The City of New York an office or agency where the Notes may be presented for payment, an office or agency where the Notes may be presented for registration of transfer and for exchange as provided in this Indenture and an office or agency

where notices and demands to or upon the Company in respect of such Notes or of this Indenture may be served. Until otherwise designated by the Company in a written notice to the Trustee, such office or agency in The City of New York shall be the principal corporate trust office of the Trustee at 101 Barclay Street, New York, New York 10286. If at any time the Company shall fail to maintain any such required office, such presentations and demands may also be made and notices may also be served at the principal corporate trust office of the Trustee which shall be, until further notice to the Company by the Trustee, at 101 Barclay Street, New York, New York 10286.

Section 4.3. Insurance Matters.

The Company will at all times insure or act as self-insurer, and cause its Subsidiaries to insure or act as self-insurers, to such extent as the Company may determine is prudent and not inconsistent with industry practice.

Section 4.4. SEC Reports.

Notwithstanding that the Company may not be required to remain subject to the reporting requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, the Company shall file with the SEC and provide the Trustee and Holders of the Notes:

(1) all quarterly and annual financial information that would be required to be contained in a filing with the SEC on Forms 10-Q and 10-K if the Company were required to file such Forms, including a "Management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations" that describes the financial condition and results of operations of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries (showing in reasonable detail, either on the face of the financial statements or in the footnotes thereto and in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries separate from the financial condition and results of operations of the Unrestricted Subsidiaries of the Company, if any) and, with respect to the annual information only, a report thereon by the Company's certified independent accountants; and

(2) all current reports that would be required to be filed with the SEC on Form 8-K if the Company were required to file such reports, in each case within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and regulations.

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).

In addition, following the consummation of the exchange offer contemplated by the Registration Rights Agreement, whether or not required by the rules and regulations of the SEC, the Company shall file a copy of all such information and reports with the SEC for public availability within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and regulations (unless the SEC

will not accept such a filing) and make such information available to securities analysts and prospective investors upon request. In addition, the Company has agreed that, for so long as any Notes remain outstanding, it will furnish to the Holders and to securities analysts and prospective investors, upon their request, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

Section 4.5. Compliance Certificate.

The Company shall deliver to the Trustee within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year of the Company an Officers' Certificate stating that in the course of the performance by the signers of their duties as Officers of the Company they would normally have knowledge of any Default by the Company and whether or not the signers know of any Default that occurred during such period. If they do, the certificate shall describe the Default, its status and what action the Company is taking or proposes to take with respect thereto. The Company also shall comply with TIA Section 314(a)(4).

Section 4.6. Corporate Existence.

Subject to Article 5, the Company will do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve and keep in full force and effect its corporate existence, material rights (charter and statutory) and franchises; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to preserve any such material right or franchise if the preservation thereof is no longer desirable in the conduct of the business of the Company or the loss thereof is not materially adverse to the Holders of the Notes.

Section 4.7. Payment of Taxes and Other Claims.

The Company will pay or discharge or cause to be paid or discharged, before any penalty accrues thereon, (1) all material taxes, assessments and governmental charges levied or imposed upon the Company or any Subsidiary or upon the income, profits or property of the Company or any Subsidiary, and (2) all material lawful claims for labor, materials and supplies which, if unpaid, might by law become a Lien upon the property of the Company or any Subsidiary; 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.

Section 4.8. Appointments To Fill Vacancies in Trustee's Office.

The Company, whenever necessary to avoid or fill a vacancy in the office of the Trustee, will appoint, in the manner provided in Section 7.8, a Trustee, so that there shall at all times be a Trustee hereunder.

Section 4.9. Limitation on Indebtedness.

(a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, incur any Indebtedness (other than Permitted Indebtedness) except that the Company and any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Guarantor may incur Indebtedness if, after giving effect thereto

(i) the Consolidated Coverage Ratio at the date of such Incurrence exceeds 2.5 to 1.0 (this clause (i), the "Coverage Ratio Exception"); and (ii) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time or as a consequence of the Incurrence of such Indebtedness.

(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph (a), the Company and the Restricted Subsidiaries may Incur any or all of the following Indebtedness (collectively, "Permitted Indebtedness"):

(1) Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to the Credit Agreement so long as the aggregate principal amount of such Indebtedness outstanding at any time shall not exceed \$370 million;

(2) Subordinated Indebtedness owed to and held by a Wholly Owned Subsidiary; provided, however, that any subsequent issuance or transfer of any Capital Stock or any other event which results in any such Wholly Owned Subsidiary ceasing to be a Wholly Owned Subsidiary or any subsequent transfer of such Subordinated Indebtedness (other than to another Wholly Owned Subsidiary) shall be deemed, in each case, to constitute the Incurrence of such Subordinated Indebtedness by the Company;

(3) Indebtedness pursuant to the Notes issued on the Issue Date and Exchange Notes in respect thereof (other than any Additional Notes);

(4) Indebtedness of such Person outstanding on the Issue Date (other than Indebtedness described in Section 4.9(b)(1));

(5) Refinancing Indebtedness in respect of Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to Section 4.9(a) or Section 4.9(b)(3) or (b)(4) or this Section 4.9(b)(5);

(6) Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount which, together with all other Indebtedness of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries then outstanding under this Section 4.9(b)(6) does not exceed \$30 million;

(7) Indebtedness arising out of Capital Lease Obligations, Purchase Money Indebtedness and Sale/Leaseback Transactions permitted pursuant to Section 4.17 in an aggregate principal amount outstanding at any one time not exceeding \$20.0 million;

(8) Indebtedness or Capital Stock issued to and held by the Company or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary; provided, however, that any subsequent issuance or transfer of any Capital Stock or any other event which results in any such Wholly Owned Subsidiary ceasing to be a Wholly Owned Subsidiary or any subsequent transfer of such Indebtedness or Capital Stock (other than to the Company or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary) shall be deemed, in each case, to constitute the issuance of such Indebtedness or Capital Stock by the issuer thereof;

(9) Indebtedness or Capital Stock of a Subsidiary Incurred and outstanding on or prior to the date on which such Subsidiary was acquired by the Company (other than Indebtedness or Capital Stock Incurred in connection with, or to provide all or any por-

tion of the funds or credit support utilized to consummate, the transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which such Subsidiary became a Subsidiary or was acquired by the Company) and Refinancing Indebtedness Incurred in respect thereof; provided, however, that such Refinancing Indebtedness shall only be permitted under this Section 4.9(b)(9) to the extent Incurred by the Subsidiary that originally Incurred such Indebtedness;

(10) Indebtedness Incurred by any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Foreign Subsidiary; provided, however, that any such Indebtedness Incurred by such Restricted Subsidiary shall not exceed 20% of the Consolidated Assets of such Restricted Subsidiary;

(11) Indebtedness Incurred by any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Foreign Subsidiary for the purpose of acquiring a Restricted Subsidiary that is a Foreign Subsidiary; provided, the principal amount of such Indebtedness may not exceed the purchase price for such Subsidiary; provided further, that after giving effect to the Incurrence of such Indebtedness, the Company would be able to Incur an additional \$1.00 of Indebtedness pursuant to Section 4.9(a), and any refinancings thereof by such Restricted Subsidiary provided that the principal amount thereof is not increased; and

(12) Indebtedness and other obligations pursuant to Qualified Receivables Transactions in an amount outstanding at any time not to exceed \$150.0 million; provided that such amount (together with the amount of Indebtedness then outstanding and incurred pursuant to Section 4.9(b)(1) above) shall not exceed \$420.0 million in the aggregate at any time outstanding.

(c) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Guarantor to, directly or indirectly, incur any Indebtedness which by its terms (or by the terms of any agreement governing such Indebtedness) is expressly subordinated in right of payment to any other Indebtedness of the Company or such Guarantor, as the case may be, unless such Indebtedness is also by its terms (or by the terms of any agreement governing such Indebtedness) made expressly subordinate to the Notes or the applicable Guarantee, as the case may be, to the same extent and in the same manner as such Indebtedness is subordinated to other Indebtedness of the Company or such Guarantor, as the case may be.

Section 4.10. Limitation on Unrestricted Subsidiaries.

(a) The Company may, on or after the Issue Date, designate any Subsidiary of the Company (other than a Subsidiary of the Company which owns Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary or is a Guarantor) as an "Unrestricted Subsidiary" under this Indenture (a "Designation") only if:

(1) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time of or after giving effect to such Designation;

(2) the Company would be permitted under this Indenture to make an Investment at the time of Designation (assuming the effectiveness of such Designation) in an amount (the "Designation Amount") equal to the sum of (A) the Fair Market Value of the

Capital Stock of such Subsidiary owned by the Company and/or any of the Restricted Subsidiaries on such date and (B) the aggregate amount of Indebtedness of such Subsidiary owed to the Company and the Restricted Subsidiaries on such date; and

(3) the Company would be permitted to incur \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness (other than Permitted Indebtedness) pursuant to Section 4.9 at the time of Designation (assuming the effectiveness of such Designation).

In the event of any such Designation, the Company shall be deemed to have made an Investment constituting a Restricted Payment in the Designation Amount pursuant to Section 4.11 for all purposes of this Indenture.

(b) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, at any time:

(x) provide direct or indirect credit support for or a guarantee of any Indebtedness of any Unrestricted Subsidiary (including any undertaking agreement or instrument evidencing such Indebtedness);

(y) be directly or indirectly liable for any Indebtedness of any Unrestricted Subsidiary; or

(z) be directly or indirectly liable for any Indebtedness which provides that the holder thereof may (upon notice, lapse of time or both) declare a default thereon or cause the payment thereof to be accelerated or payable prior to its final scheduled maturity upon the occurrence of a default with respect to any Indebtedness of any Unrestricted Subsidiary (including any right to take enforcement action against such Unrestricted Subsidiary), except, in the case of clause (x) or (y), to the extent permitted under Section 4.11.

(c) The Company may revoke any Designation of a Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary ("Revocation"), whereupon such Subsidiary shall then constitute a Restricted Subsidiary, if

(1) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time and after giving effect to such Revocation; and

(2) all Liens and Indebtedness of such Unrestricted Subsidiaries outstanding immediately following such Revocation would, if incurred at such time, have been permitted to be incurred for all purposes of this Indenture.

All Designations and Revocations must be evidenced by an officers' certificate of the Company delivered to the trustee certifying compliance with the foregoing provisions.

Section 4.11. Limitation on Restricted Payments.

(a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary, directly or indirectly, to make a Restricted Payment if at the time the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary makes such Restricted Payment:

(1) a Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing (or would result therefrom); or

(2) the Company is not able to Incur an additional \$1.00 of Indebtedness pursuant to Section 4.9(a); or

(3) the aggregate amount of such Restricted Payment (including such proposed Restricted Payment) made subsequent to the Issue Date would exceed the sum of

(A) 50% of the Consolidated Net Income of the Company earned during the period subsequent to June 30, 2003 and ending prior to the date of such Restricted Payment (such date, the "Reference Date") (or, in case such Consolidated Net Income shall be a deficit, minus 100% of such deficit);

(B) 100% the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds received by the Company from the issuance or sale subsequent to June 30, 2003 and on or prior to the Reference Date of Qualified Capital Stock of the Company or warrants, options or other rights to acquire Qualified Capital Stock of the Company (but excluding any debt security that is convertible into, or exchangeable for, Qualified Capital Stock); and

(C) \$10.0 million.

(b) The provisions of the foregoing Section 4.11(a) shall not prohibit:

(i) dividends paid within 60 days after the date of declaration thereof if at such date of declaration such dividend would have complied with this Section 4.11; provided, however, that at the time of payment of such dividend, no other Default shall have occurred and be continuing (or result therefrom); provided further, however, that such dividend shall be included in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;

(ii) the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries from making loans or advancements to, or investments in, any Joint Venture in an aggregate amount not exceeding \$25.0 million plus the lesser of (i) any amounts received as repayment of any such loan, advancement or investment and (ii) the initial amount thereof;

(iii) any purchase or redemption of Capital Stock of the Company made by exchange for, or out of the proceeds of the substantially concurrent sale of, Capital Stock of the Company (other than Disqualified Capital Stock and other than Capital Stock issued or sold to a Subsidiary of the Company); provided, however, that (A) such purchase or redemption shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments,

and (B) any Net Cash Proceeds from such sale shall be excluded from the calculation of amounts under Section 4.11(a)(3)(B) above; and

(iv) loans and advances to employees of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries for travel, entertainment and relocation expenses in the ordinary course of business in an aggregate amount outstanding at any one time not to exceed \$5.0 million.

For purposes of performing the calculation specified in Section 4.11(a)(3) above, amounts paid in respect of Section 4.11(b)(i) shall be counted as Restricted Payments and amounts paid in respect of Sections 4.11(b)(ii) and (b)(iii) shall not be counted as Restricted Payments. Any sale or transfer of property by an Unrestricted Subsidiary to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary with the intention of taking back a lease of that property will be considered a loan to that Unrestricted Subsidiary for this purpose.

Section 4.12. Limitation on Restrictions on Distributions from

Restricted Subsidiaries.

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, create or otherwise cause or permit to exist or become effective any consensual encumbrance or restriction on the ability of any Restricted Subsidiary:

(i) to pay dividends or make any other distributions on its Capital Stock or pay any Indebtedness owed to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary,

(ii) to make any loans or advances to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary,

(iii) to transfer any of its property or assets to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, or

(iv) to make payments in respect of any Indebtedness owed to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, except:

(1) any such encumbrance or restriction pursuant to: (x) an agreement in effect at or entered into on the Issue Date, (y) the Credit Agreement and any guarantees thereunder or (z) agreements governing Qualified Receivables Transactions, provided that such restrictions only apply to receivables assets (as defined in the definition of Qualified Receivables Transactions) or stock of the Accounts Receivable Entity;

(2) any such encumbrance or restriction with respect to a Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to an agreement relating to any Indebtedness Incurred by such Restricted Subsidiary on or prior to the date on which such Restricted Subsidiary was acquired by the Company (other than Indebtedness Incurred as consideration in, or to provide all or any portion of the funds or credit support utilized to consummate, the transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which

such Restricted Subsidiary became a Restricted Subsidiary or was acquired by the Company) and outstanding on such date;

(3) any such encumbrance or restriction pursuant to an agreement effecting a Refinancing of Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to an agreement referred to in clause (1)(x) or (2) of this Section 4.12 or contained in any amendment to an agreement referred to in clause (1)(x) or (2) of this Section 4.12; provided, however, that the encumbrances and restrictions with respect to such Restricted Subsidiary contained in any such refinancing agreement or amendment are no less favorable to the Holders of the Notes than any such encumbrances and restrictions with respect to such Restricted Subsidiary contained in such agreements;

(4) any such encumbrance or restriction consisting of customary non-assignment provisions in leases governing leasehold interests to the extent such provisions restrict the transfer of the lease or the property leased thereunder;

(5) in the case of clause (iii) above, encumbrances and restrictions contained in security agreements or mortgages securing Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary to the extent such restrictions restrict the transfer of the property subject to such security agreements or mortgages;

(6) any such encumbrance or restriction with respect to a Restricted Subsidiary imposed pursuant to an agreement entered into for the sale or disposition of all or substantially all the Capital Stock or assets of such Restricted Subsidiary pending the closing of such sale or disposition;

(7) any such encumbrance or restriction with respect to any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Foreign Subsidiary pursuant to an agreement relating to Indebtedness permitted to be Incurred pursuant to Section 4.9(b)(9); and

(8) restrictions imposed by applicable law.

Section 4.13. Limitation on Sales of Assets.

(a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, make any Asset Disposition unless:

(i) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, receives consideration at the time of such sale or other disposition at least equal to the Fair Market Value thereof;

(ii) at least 75% of the consideration received by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, consists of cash or Cash Equivalents; provided, however, that the amount of any Senior Indebtedness of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary that is assumed by the transferee in any such transaction shall be deemed to be cash for purposes of this Section 4.13(a);

(iii) upon the consummation of an Asset Disposition, the Company shall apply, or cause such Restricted Subsidiary to apply, an amount equal to 100% of the Net Available Cash from such Asset Disposition within 365 days from the later of such Asset Disposition or the receipt of such Net Available Cash to (A) repay, prepay or purchase Senior Indebtedness (including, without limitation, obligations under the Credit Agreement (including cash collateralization of any such obligations)) or (B) acquire Additional Assets; and

(iv) on the 366th day after any Asset Disposition or such earlier date, if any, as the Board of Directors of the Company determines not to apply the Net Available Cash relating to such Asset Disposition as set forth above in clause (iii)(A) or (B) and the aggregate amount of such Net Available Cash equals at least \$5.0 million (the "Asset Sale Offer Trigger Date"), the aggregate amount of such Net Available Cash (such amount, the "Asset Sale Offer Amount") to make an offer to purchase (the "Asset Sale Offer") on a date (the "Asset Sale Offer Date") that is not less than 30 nor more than 60 days following the applicable Asset Sale Offer Trigger Date, from all Holders on a pro rata basis, that amount of Notes equal to the Asset Sale Offer Amount at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of such Notes to be purchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, thereon to the date of purchase.

(b) In the event of the transfer of substantially all (but not all) the property and assets of the Company as an entirety to a Person in a transaction permitted under Section 5.1 hereof, the Successor Company (as defined therein) shall be deemed to have sold the properties and assets of the Company not so transferred for purposes of this Section 4.13, and shall comply with the provisions of this Section 4.13 with respect to such deemed sale as if it were an Asset Disposition and the Successor Company shall be deemed to have received Net Available Cash in an amount equal to the fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors) of the properties and assets not so transferred or sold.

(c) The Company shall commence an Asset Sale Offer by mailing a notice to the Trustee and each Holder stating:

(i) that the Asset Sale Offer is being made pursuant to this Section 4.13 and that all Notes validly tendered will be accepted for payment on a pro rata basis;

(ii) the purchase price and the date of purchase (which shall be a Business Day no earlier than 30 days nor later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed) (the "Asset Sale Payment Date");

(iii) that any Note not tendered will continue to accrue interest as provided in this Indenture;

(iv) that unless the Company defaults in the payment of the Asset Sale Offer Amount, any Note accepted for payment pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer shall cease to accrue interest after the Asset Sale Payment Date;

(v) that Holders electing to have a Note purchased pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer will be required to surrender the Note, together with the form entitled "Option of the Holder to Elect Purchase" on the reverse side of the Note completed, to the Paying Agent at the address specified in the notice prior to the close of business on the Business Day immediately preceding the Asset Sale Payment Date;

(vi) that Holders will be entitled to withdraw their election if the Paying Agent receives, not later than the close of business on the third Business Day immediately preceding the Asset Sale Payment Date, a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or letter setting forth the name of such Holder, the principal amount of Notes delivered for purchase and a statement that such Holder is withdrawing his election to have such Notes purchased; and

(vii) that Holders whose Notes are being purchased only in part will be issued new Notes equal in principal amount to the unpurchased portion of the Notes surrendered; provided, however, that each Note purchased and each new Note issued shall be an original principal amount of \$1,000 or integral multiples thereof.

On or prior to the date notice is mailed to the Trustee and each Holder, the Company shall furnish the Trustee with an Officers' Certificate stating the amount of the Asset Sale Offer Amount.

(d) On the Asset Sale Payment Date, the Company shall:

(i) accept for payment on a pro rata basis Notes or portions thereof tendered pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer;

(ii) deposit with the Paying Agent money sufficient to pay the purchase price of all Securities or portions thereof so accepted; and

(iii) deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Trustee, Notes or portions thereof so accepted together with an Officers' Certificate specifying the Notes or portions thereof accepted for payment by the Company.

The Paying Agent shall promptly mail to the Holders of Notes so accepted payment in an amount equal to the purchase price, and the Trustee shall promptly authenticate and mail to such Holders a new Note equal in principal amount to any unpurchased portion of the Note surrendered; provided, however, that each Note purchased and each new Note issued shall be in an original principal amount of \$1,000 or integral multiples thereof.

The Company will publicly announce the results of the Asset Sale Offer as soon as practicable after the Asset Sale Payment Date. For purposes of this Section 4.13, the Trustee shall act as the Paying Agent.

(e) The Company will comply, to the extent applicable, with the requirements of Section 14(e) of the Exchange Act and any other applicable laws or regulations thereunder in connection with the repurchase of Notes pursuant to this Section 4.13. To the extent that the

provisions of any applicable laws or regulations conflict with the provisions of this Section 4.13, the Company shall comply with the applicable laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under the indenture by virtue of any conflict.

Section 4.14. Limitation on Affiliate Transactions.

(a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into or permit to exist any transaction or series of transactions (including the purchase, sale, lease or exchange of any property, employee compensation arrangements or the rendering of any service) with any Affiliate of the Company (an "Affiliate Transaction") unless the terms thereof are no less favorable to the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary than those which could be obtained at the time of such transaction in arm's-length dealings with a Person who is not such an Affiliate.

In addition, the Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into any Affiliate Transaction unless:

(i) with respect to such Affiliate Transaction involving the aggregate value, remuneration or other consideration of more than \$1.0 million but less than or equal to \$5.0 million, the Company has obtained approval of a majority of the Board of Directors of the Company (including a majority of the disinterested directors); and

(ii) with respect to such Affiliate Transaction involving the aggregate value, remuneration or other consideration of more than \$5.0 million, the Company has delivered to the Trustee an opinion of a nationally recognized investment banking firm to the effect that such Affiliate Transaction is fair to the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, from a financial point of view.

(b) The provisions of the foregoing Section 4.14(a) shall not prohibit:

(i) any Restricted Payment permitted to be paid pursuant to Section 4.11;

(ii) employment, consulting and compensation arrangements and agreements of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary consistent with past practice or approved by the Board of Directors;

(iii) the grant of stock options or similar rights to employees and directors of the Company pursuant to plans approved by the Board of Directors; or

(iv) any Affiliate Transaction between the Company and a Restricted Subsidiary or between Restricted Subsidiaries.

Section 4.15. Change of Control.

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each Holder shall have the right to require that the Company repurchase such Holder's Notes (a "Change of Control Offer") at a purchase price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and un-

paid interest, if any, to the date of purchase (subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest on the relevant interest payment date), in accordance with Section 4.15(b).

(b) Within 30 days following any Change of Control, the Company shall mail a notice to each Holder with a copy to the Trustee stating:

(1) that a Change of Control has occurred and that such Holder has the right to require the Company to purchase such Holder's Notes at a purchase price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase (subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest on the relevant interest payment date);

(2) the circumstances and relevant facts regarding such Change of Control (including information with respect to pro forma historical income, cash flow and capitalization after giving effect to such Change of Control);

(3) the repurchase date (which shall be no earlier than 30 days nor later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed); and

(4) the instructions determined by the Company, consistent with this Section 4.15, that a Holder must follow in order to have its Notes purchased.

(c) Holders electing to have a Note purchased will be required to surrender the Note with an appropriate form duly completed, to the Company at the address specified in the notice at least 10 Business Days prior to the purchase date. Holders will be entitled to withdraw their election if the Trustee or the Company receives not later than three Business Days prior to the purchase date, a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or letter setting forth the name of the Holder, the principal amount of the Note which was delivered for purchase by the Holder and a statement that such Holder is withdrawing his election to have such Note purchased.

(d) On the purchase date, all Notes purchased by the Company under this Section 4.15 shall be delivered by the Trustee for cancellation, and the Company shall pay the purchase price plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the Holders entitled hereto.

(e) The Company shall comply, to the extent applicable, with the requirements of Section 14(e) of the Exchange Act and any other applicable laws or regulations in connection with the purchase of Notes pursuant to this Section 4.15. To the extent that the provisions of any applicable laws or regulations conflict with the provisions of this Section 4.15, the Company shall comply with the applicable laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under this Section 4.15 by virtue thereof.

Section 4.16. Limitation on Liens.

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, incur or permit to exist any Lien of any nature whatsoever on any of its properties

(including Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary), whether owned at the Issue Date or thereafter acquired, other than Permitted Liens, without effectively providing that the Notes shall be secured equally and ratably with (or prior to, in the case of any Subordinated Indebtedness so secured) the obligations so secured for so long as such obligations are so secured.

Section 4.17. Limitation on Sale/Leaseback Transactions.

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into any Sale/Leaseback Transaction with respect to any property unless (i) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary would be entitled to create a Lien on such property without equally and ratably securing the Notes pursuant to Section 4.16 or (ii) the net proceeds of such sale are at least equal to the fair value (as determined by the Board of Directors) of such property and the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary shall apply or cause to be applied an amount in cash equal to the net proceeds of such sale to the retirement, within 30 days of the effective date of such Sale/Leaseback Transaction, of Senior Indebtedness of the Company (including the Notes) or Indebtedness or Preferred Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary.

Section 4.18. Subsidiary Guarantees.

The Notes shall be guaranteed by each existing or future Restricted Subsidiary of the Company that is a guarantor of or otherwise an obligor with respect to Senior Indebtedness of the Company. If the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries shall organize, acquire or otherwise invest in another domestic Restricted Subsidiary, then such transferee or acquired or other Restricted Subsidiary shall (1) by a supplemental indenture executed and delivered to the Trustee, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, unconditionally guarantee on a senior basis pursuant to Article 10 all of the Company's obligations under the Notes, Additional Notes, if any, and this Indenture; and (2) deliver to the Trustee and Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that such supplemental indenture complies with this Indenture. Thereafter, such Restricted Subsidiary shall be a Guarantor for all purposes of this Indenture.

Section 4.19. Further Instruments and Acts.

Upon request of the Trustee, the Company will execute and deliver such further instruments and do such further acts as may be reasonably necessary or proper to carry out more effectively the purpose of this Indenture.

Section 4.20. Suspension of Covenants.

(a) During any period in which the Notes are rated Investment Grade by both Rating Agencies and no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing under the Indenture (the "Suspension Period"), Sections 4.9, 4.10, 4.11, 4.12, 4.13 and 4.14 will not apply (collectively, the "Suspended Covenants"). Upon the suspension of the Suspended Covenants, the amount of Net Cash Proceeds for purposes of Section 4.13 shall be set at zero.

(b) In the event that the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries are not subject to the Suspended Covenants for any period of time as a result of Section 4.19(a) and either Rating Agency subsequently withdraws its rating or downgrades its rating of the Notes below

Investment Grade, or a Default or Event of Default occurs and is continuing, then the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries shall thereafter again be subject to the Suspended Covenants (such date, the "Reversion Date"). On the Reversion Date, all Indebtedness incurred during the Suspension Period prior to such Reversion Date shall be deemed to have been outstanding on the Issue Date and classified as permitted under Section 4.9(b)(4). For purposes of calculating the amount available to be made as Restricted Payments under Section 4.11(a)(3), calculations under such Section 4.11(a)(3) will be made with reference to the Issue Date as set forth in that Section. Accordingly, (x) Restricted Payments made during the Suspension Period not otherwise permitted pursuant to Section 4.11(b) will reduce the amount available to be made as Restricted Payments under Section 4.11(a) and (y) the items specified in Sections 4.11(a)(3)(A) and (a)(3)(B) will increase the amount available to be made as Restricted Payments under Section 4.11(a)(3).

The results of actions taken by the Company and the Restricted Subsidiaries during the period in which the Notes are rated Investment Grade, and did not otherwise violate this Indenture at the time such actions were taken, shall be permitted to remain in place after any date on which the Notes are no longer rated Investment Grade without causing a Default or Event of Default.

ARTICLE 5

SUCCESSOR COMPANY

Section 5.1. Merger and Consolidation.

Neither the Company nor any Guarantor shall consolidate with or merge with or into, or convey, transfer or lease all or substantially all its assets to, any Person, unless:

(i) the resulting, surviving or transferee Person (the "Successor Company") shall be a Person organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, any state thereof or the District of Columbia and the Successor Company (if not the Company or such Guarantor) shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental to this Indenture, executed and delivered to the Trustee, in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, all the obligations of the Company under the Notes and this Indenture or the Guarantor under the Guarantee and this Indenture, as applicable;

(ii) immediately after giving effect to such transaction (and treating any Indebtedness which becomes an obligation of the Successor Company or any Subsidiary as a result of such transaction as having been Incurred by such Successor Company or such Subsidiary at the time of such transaction), no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing; and

(iii) immediately after giving effect to such transaction, the Company would be able to Incur at least an additional \$1.00 of Indebtedness pursuant to the Coverage Ratio Exception.

The Company shall deliver to the Trustee prior to the consummation of the proposed transaction an Officers' Certificate to the foregoing effect and an Opinion of Counsel stating that the proposed transaction and such supplemental indenture comply with this Indenture.

Section 5.2. Successor Corporation Substituted.

The Successor Company shall be the successor to the Company or Guarantor, as the case may be, and shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Company under this Indenture, but the predecessor Company in the case of a conveyance, transfer or lease shall not be released from the obligation to pay the principal of and interest on the Notes.

ARTICLE 6

DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES

Section 6.1. Events of Default.

An "Event of Default" is defined herein as:

(i) a default in the payment of interest on the Notes when due, continued for 30 days;

(ii) a default in the payment of principal of any Note when due at its Stated Maturity, upon redemption, upon required repurchase, upon declaration or otherwise;

(iii) the failure by the Company to comply for 30 days after notice with its obligations under Section 4.4, 4.9, 4.10, 4.11, 4.12, 4.13, 4.14, 4.16 or 4.17 and its other agreements contained in this Indenture (except in the case of a default with respect to Sections 4.15 and 5.1 which will constitute Events of Default with notice but without passage of time);

(iv) Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary is accelerated by the holders thereof because of a default and the total amount of such Indebtedness accelerated exceeds \$10.0 million, or its foreign currency equivalent, with respect to any individual Indebtedness or, together with all Indebtedness unpaid when due after giving effect to any applicable grace period provided in such Indebtedness or accelerated, aggregates \$15.0 million, or its foreign currency equivalent (at least \$7.5 million of which is Indebtedness that has been accelerated);

(v) the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to or within the meaning of any Bankruptcy Law:

(A) commences a voluntary case;

(B) consents to the entry of an order for relief against it in an involuntary case;

(C) consents to the appointment of a Custodian of it or for any substantial part of its property; or

(D) makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors;

(E) or takes any comparable action under any foreign laws relating to insolvency;

(vi) a court of competent jurisdiction enters an order or decree under any Bankruptcy Law that:

(A) is for relief against the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in an involuntary case;

(B) appoints a Custodian of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary or for any substantial part of its property; or

(C) orders the winding up or liquidation of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary;

or any similar relief is granted under any foreign laws and the order or decree remains unstayed and in effect for 60 days; or

(vii) any judgment or decree for the payment of money in excess of \$10.0 million (or its foreign currency equivalent) (to the extent not covered by insurance) with respect to any individual judgment or decree or aggregating \$15.0 million (or its foreign currency equivalent) is rendered against the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary and is not discharged, paid or stayed for a period of 60 days after such judgment or judgments become final and non-appealable; or

(viii) the Guarantee of any Significant Subsidiary ceases to be in full force and effect (except as contemplated by the terms of the Guarantee of the Obligations of the Issuer under this Indenture and this Indenture) or is declared null and void in a judicial proceeding or any Guarantor denies or disaffirms its obligations under this Indenture or its Guarantee of the Obligations of the Issuer under this Indenture.

The foregoing will constitute Events of Default whatever the reason for any such Event of Default and whether it is voluntary or involuntary or is affected 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.

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

A Default under clause (iii) of this Section 6.1 is not an Event of Default until the Trustee or the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the Notes notify the Company of the Default, which notice shall specify that it is a "Notice of Default".

Section 6.2. Acceleration.

If any Event of Default (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 6.1(v) or (vi) with respect to the Company) occurs and is continuing, the Trustee by notice to the Company or the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the Notes by written notice to the Company (and the Trustee, if such notice is given by such Holders), may declare the principal of and accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on all the Notes to be due and payable immediately, which notice shall specify the Events of Default and that it is a "Notice of Acceleration". Upon such a declaration, such principal and interest shall be due and payable immediately.

If an Event of Default specified in Section 6.1(v) or (vi) with respect to the Company occurs and is continuing, the principal of and accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on all the Notes shall ipso facto become and be immediately due and payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholders.

The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Notes by notice to the Company and the Trustee may, on behalf of all of the Holders of all of the Notes, rescind and cancel an acceleration and its consequences:

(1) if the rescission would not conflict with any judgment or decrees

(2) if all existing Events of Default have been cured or waived except non-payment of principal or interest that has become due solely because of acceleration;

(3) to the extent that the payment of such interest is lawful, interest on overdue installments of interest and overdue principal, which has become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration, has been paid;

(4) if the Company has paid the Trustee its reasonable compensation and reimbursed the Trustee for its expenses, disbursement and advances; and

(5) in the event of the cure or waiver of an Event of Default of the type described in clause (v) of the description above of Events of Default, the Trustee shall have received an Officers' Certificate and an opinion of counsel that such Event of Default has been cured or waived. No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereto.

Section 6.3. Other Remedies.

If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may pursue any available remedy to collect the payment of principal of or interest on the Notes or to enforce the performance of any provision of the Notes or this Indenture.

The Trustee may maintain a proceeding even if it does not possess any of the Notes or does not produce any of them in the proceeding. A delay or omission by the Trustee or

any Noteholder in exercising any right or remedy accruing upon an Event of Default shall not impair the right or remedy or constitute a waiver of or acquiescence in the Event of Default. No remedy is exclusive of any other remedy. All available remedies shall be cumulative.

Section 6.4. Waiver of Past Defaults.

The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Notes by notice to the Trustee may waive an existing Default and its consequences except (i) a Default in the payment of the principal of or interest on a Note or (ii) a Default in respect of a provision that under Section 9.2 cannot be amended without the consent of each Noteholder affected. When a Default is waived, it is deemed cured, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any consequent right.

Section 6.5. Control by Majority.

The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Notes may direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or of exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee. However, the Trustee may refuse to follow any direction that conflicts with law or this Indenture or, subject to Section 7.1, that the Trustee determines is unduly prejudicial to the rights of other Noteholders or would involve the Trustee in personal liability; provided, however, that the Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with such direction. Prior to taking any action hereunder, the Trustee shall be entitled to indemnification satisfactory to it in its sole discretion against all losses and expenses caused by taking or not taking such action.

Section 6.6. Limitation on Suits.

A Noteholder may not pursue any remedy with respect to this Indenture or the Notes unless:

- (1) the Holder gives to the Trustee written notice stating that an Event of Default is continuing;
- (2) the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the Notes make a written request to the Trustee to pursue the remedy;
- (3) such Holder or Holders offer to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity satisfactory to it against any loss, liability or expense;
- (4) the Trustee does not comply with the request within 60 days after receipt of the request and the offer of security or indemnity; and
- (5) the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Notes do not give the trustee a direction inconsistent with the request during such 60-day period.

A Noteholder may not use this Indenture to prejudice the rights of another Noteholder or to obtain a preference or priority over another Noteholder.

Section 6.7. Rights of Holders To Receive Payment.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the right of any Holder to receive payment of principal of and interest on those Notes held by such Holder, on or after the respective due dates expressed in the Notes, or to bring suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after such respective dates, shall not be impaired or affected without the consent of such Holder.

Section 6.8. Collection Suit by Trustee.

If an Event of Default in payment of interest or principal specified in Section 6.1(i) or (ii) occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may recover judgment in its own name and as trustee of an express trust against the Company for the whole amount of principal and interest remaining unpaid (together with interest on such unpaid interest to the extent lawful) and the amounts provided for in Section 7.7.

Section 6.9. Trustee May File Proofs of Claim.

The trustee may file such proofs of claim and other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee and the Noteholders allowed in any judicial proceedings relative to the Company, its creditors or its property and, unless prohibited by law or applicable regulations, may vote on behalf of the Holders in any election of a trustee in bankruptcy or other person performing similar functions, and any Custodian in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Holder to make payments to the Trustee and, in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Holders, to pay to the Trustee any amount due it for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and its counsel, and any other amounts due the Trustee under Section 7.7.

Section 6.10. Priorities.

If the Trustee collects any money or property pursuant to this Article 6, it shall pay out the money or property in the following order:

FIRST: to the Trustee for amounts due under Section 7.7;

SECOND: to Noteholders for amounts due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest, ratably, without preference or priority of any kind, according to the amounts due and payable on the Notes for principal and interest, respectively; and

THIRD: to the Company.

The Trustee may fix a record date and payment date for any payment to Noteholders pursuant to this Section 6.10. At least 15 days before such record date, the Trustee shall mail to each Noteholder and the Company a notice that states the record date, the payment date and amount to be paid.

Section 6.11. Undertaking for Costs.

In any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee, a court in its discretion may require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and the court in its discretion may assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section does not apply to a suit by the Trustee, a suit by a Holder pursuant to Section 6.7 or a suit by Holders of more than 10% in principal amount of the Notes.

Section 6.12. Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws.

Each of the Company and each Guarantor (to the extent it may lawfully do so) shall not at any time insist upon, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, which may affect the covenants or the performance of this Indenture; and each of the Company and each Guarantor (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waives all benefit or advantage of any such law, and 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.

ARTICLE 7

TRUSTEE

Section 7.1. Duties of Trustee.

(1) If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise, as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his own affairs.

(2) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default:

(a) The Trustee need perform only those duties that are specifically set forth in this Indenture and no others, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee.

(b) 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. 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 any mathematical calculations or other facts stated therein).

(3) The Trustee may not be relieved from liabilities for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(a) This paragraph does not limit the effect of paragraph (2) of this Section 7.1.

(b) The Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer, unless it is proved that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts.

(c) 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 6.5.

(4) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture that in any way relates to the Trustee is subject to paragraphs (1), (2), (3) and (5) of this Section 7.1.

(5) No provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or incur any liability. The Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers under this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Holders unless such Holders have offered to the Trustee reasonable indemnity or security satisfactory to it against any loss, liability or expense.

(6) The Trustee shall not be liable for interest on any money received by it except as the Trustee may agree in writing with the Company. Money held in trust by the Trustee need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law.

Section 7.2. Rights of Trustee.

(1) The Trustee may conclusively rely on any document 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 the document.

(2) Before the Trustee acts or refrains from acting, it may require an Officers' Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel or both. The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in reliance on such Officers' Certificate or Opinion of Counsel. The Trustee may consult with counsel of its selection and the advice of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken, suffered or omitted by it hereunder in good faith and in reliance thereon.

(3) The Trustee may act through agents or attorneys and shall not be responsible for the misconduct or negligence of any agent or attorney appointed with due care.

(4) The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith which it believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers conferred upon it by this Indenture.

(5) Unless otherwise specifically provided in this Indenture, any demand, request, direction or notice from the Company shall be sufficient if signed by an Officer of the Company.

(6) The Trustee shall not be deemed to have notice of any Default or Event of Default unless a Responsible Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge thereof or unless written notice of any event which is in fact such a default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee, and such notice references the Securities and this Indenture.

(7) The rights, privileges, protections, immunities and benefits given to the Trustee, including, without limitation, its right to be indemnified, are extended to, and shall be enforceable by, the Trustee in each of its capacities hereunder, and each agent, custodian and other Person employed to act hereunder.

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 or an Affiliate with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee. Any Paying Agent may do the same with like rights. However, the Trustee is subject to Sections 7.10 and 7.11.

Section 7.4. Trustee's Disclaimer.

The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or adequacy of this Indenture or the Notes, it shall not be accountable for the Company's use of the proceeds from the Notes or any money paid to the Company or upon the Company's direction under any provision hereof, it shall not be responsible for the use or application of any money received by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee and it shall not be responsible for any statement or recital herein or any statement in the Notes other than its certificate of authentication.

Section 7.5. Notice of Defaults.

If a Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee shall mail to Noteholders a notice of the Default, if known to the Trustee, within 90 days after it occurs. In the absence of notice to the contrary, the Trustee shall be entitled to assume that such obligations are outstanding. Except in the case of a Default in payment on any Note (including the failure to make a mandatory redemption pursuant hereto), the Trustee may withhold the notice if and so long as a committee of its Responsible Officers in good faith determines that withholding the notice is not opposed to the interests of Noteholders.

Section 7.6. Reports by Trustee to Holders.

Within 60 days after each May 15, beginning with the May 15 following the date of this Indenture, the Trustee shall mail to Noteholders a brief report dated as of such reporting date that complies with TIA Section 313(a), if such a report is required pursuant to TIA Section 313(a). The Trustee also shall comply with TIA Section 313(b). The Trustee shall also transmit by mail all reports as required by TIA Section 313(c).

Commencing if and when this Indenture is qualified under the TIA, a copy of each report at the time of its mailing to Noteholders shall be filed with the SEC and each stock exchange on which the Notes are listed. The Company or any other obligor upon the Notes shall promptly notify the Trustee when the Notes are listed on any stock exchange or delisted therefrom.

Section 7.7. Compensation and Indemnity.

The Company and the Guarantors, jointly and severally, shall pay to the Trustee from time to time such compensation as shall be agreed in writing from time to time by the Company and the Trustee for its acceptance of this Indenture and services hereunder. The Trustee's compensation shall not be limited by any law on compensation of a trustee of an express trust. The Company and the Guarantors, jointly and severally, shall reimburse the Trustee upon request for all reasonable disbursements, advances and expenses incurred by it. Such expenses shall include the reasonable compensation, disbursements and expenses of the Trustee's agents and counsel. The obligations of the Company and the Guarantors under this Section 7.7 to compensate and indemnify the Trustee and its agents and to reimburse the Trustee for its reasonable expenses shall survive the termination of the Company's obligations hereunder and the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture.

The Company and the Guarantors, jointly and severally, shall indemnify the Trustee, its employees, officers, directors and agents, and any predecessor trustee against any and all losses, liabilities, damages, claims, or expenses, including taxes (other than taxes based on the income of the Trustee), incurred by it arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of its duties under this Indenture, except as set forth in the next paragraph. The Trustee shall notify the Company promptly of any claim for which it may seek indemnity of which a Responsible Officer has received written notice. The Company shall defend the claim and the Trustee shall cooperate in the defense. The Trustee may have separate counsel and the Company shall pay the reasonable fees and expenses of such counsel. The Company need not pay for any settlement made without its consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

The Company need not reimburse any expense or indemnify against any loss or liability incurred by the Trustee through its own negligence or willful misconduct.

To secure the Company's payment obligations in this Section 7.7, the Trustee shall have a Lien prior to the Notes on all money or property held or collected by the Trustee, except that held in trust to pay principal and interest on particular Notes. Such Lien shall survive the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture and the resignation or removal of the Trustee. Compensation, reimbursement and indemnification to the Trustee under this Section 7.7 is not subordinated to Senior Indebtedness.

When the Trustee incurs expenses or renders services after an Event of Default specified in Section 6.1(vi) or (vii) with respect to the Company occurs, the expenses and the compensation for the services are intended to constitute expenses of administration under any Bankruptcy Law.

Section 7.8. Replacement of Trustee.

A resignation or removal of the Trustee and appointment of a successor Trustee shall become effective only upon the successor Trustee's acceptance of appointment as provided in this Section 7.8.

The Trustee may resign and be discharged from the trust hereby created by so notifying the Company. The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may remove the Trustee by so notifying the Trustee and the Company. The Company may remove the Trustee if:

- (1) the Trustee fails to comply with Section 7.10;
- (2) the Trustee is adjudged a bankrupt or an insolvent or an order for relief is entered with respect to the Trustee under any Bankruptcy Law;
- (3) a custodian or public officer takes charge of the Trustee or its property; or
- (4) 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, the Company and any other obligor upon the Notes shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee.

If a successor Trustee does not take office within 10 days after the retiring Trustee resigns or is removed, the retiring Trustee, the Company or the Holders of at least 10% in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

If the Trustee after written request by any Noteholder who has been a Noteholder for at least six months fails to comply with Section 7.10, such Noteholder may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

A successor Trustee shall deliver a written acceptance of its appointment to the retiring Trustee and to the Company. Thereupon 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. The successor Trustee shall mail a notice of its succession to Noteholders. The retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of its charges hereunder, promptly transfer all property held by it as Trustee to the successor Trustee, subject to the Lien provided for in Section 7.7. Notwithstanding replacement of the Trustee pursuant to this Section 7.8, the Company's obligations under Section 7.7 thereof shall continue for the benefit of the retiring Trustee.

Section 7.9. Successor Trustee by Merger, etc.

If the Trustee consolidates, merges or converts into, or transfers all or substantially all of its corporate trust business to, another corporation, the successor corporation without any further act shall be the successor Trustee.

Section 7.10. Eligibility; Disqualification.

There shall at all times be a Trustee hereunder which shall be a corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state thereof authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trustee power, shall be subject to supervision or examination by Federal or state authority and 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. No obligor upon the Notes or any Affiliate of such obligor shall serve as trustee upon the Notes.

This Indenture shall always have a Trustee who satisfies the requirements of TIA Section 310(a)(1). The Trustee is subject to TIA Section 310(b) regarding disqualification of a trustee upon acquiring any conflicting interest.

Section 7.11. Preferential Collection of Claims Against Company.

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

ARTICLE 8

LEGAL DEFEASANCE AND COVENANT DEFEASANCE

Section 8.1. Option To Effect Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance.

The Company may, at the option of its Board of Directors evidenced by a board resolution, at any time, elect to have either Section 8.2 or 8.3 be applied to all outstanding Notes upon compliance with the conditions set forth below in this Article 8.

Section 8.2. Legal Defeasance and Discharge.

Upon the Company's exercise under Section 8.1 hereof of the option applicable to this Section 8.2, the Company shall, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 8.4, be deemed to have been discharged from its obligations with respect to all outstanding Notes on the date the conditions set forth below are satisfied (hereinafter, "Legal Defeasance"). For this purpose, Legal Defeasance means that the Company shall be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire Indebtedness represented by the outstanding Notes, which shall thereafter be deemed to be "outstanding" only for the purposes of Section 8.5 and the other Sections of this Indenture referred to in clauses (a) through (d) below, and to have satisfied all of its other obligations under such Notes and this Indenture (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of

the Company, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging the same), except for the following provisions which shall survive until otherwise terminated or discharged hereunder:

- (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange and the Company's right of redemption;
- (ii) substitution of apparently mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes;
- (iii) rights of Holders of the Notes to receive payments of principal and interest on the Notes;
- (iv) the rights, obligations and immunities of the Trustee under this Indenture; and
- (v) rights of the holders of the Notes as beneficiaries of this Indenture with respect to the property so deposited with the Trustee payable to all or any of them.

Subject to compliance with this Article 8, the Company may exercise its option under this Section 8.2, notwithstanding the prior exercise of its option under Section 8.3.

Section 8.3. Covenant Defeasance.

Upon the Company's exercise under Section 8.1 of the option applicable to this Section 8.3, the Company and the Guarantors, if any, shall, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 8.4, be released from their respective obligations under the covenants contained in Sections 4.4, 4.7, 4.9 through 4.18, inclusive, and Sections 5.1 and 10.1 with respect to the outstanding Notes on and after the date the conditions set forth below are satisfied (hereinafter, "Covenant Defeasance"), and the Notes shall thereafter be deemed not "outstanding" for the purposes of any direction, waiver, consent or declaration or act of Holders (and the consequences of any thereof) in connection with such covenants, but shall continue to be deemed "outstanding" for all other purposes hereunder (it being understood that such Notes shall not be deemed outstanding for accounting purposes). For this purpose, Covenant Defeasance means that, with respect to the outstanding Notes, the Company may omit to comply with and shall have no liability in respect of any term, condition or limitation set forth in any such covenant, 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 Default under Section 6.1, but, except as specified above, the remainder of this Indenture and such Notes shall be unaffected thereby. In addition, upon the Company's exercise under Section 8.1 of the option applicable to this Section 8.3, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 8.4, Sections 6.1(iii), 6.1(iv), 6.1(vii), and 6.1(viii) shall not constitute Events of Default.

Section 8.4. Conditions to Legal or Covenant Defeasance.

The following are the conditions precedent to the application of either Section 8.2 or 8.3 to the outstanding Notes:

In order to exercise either Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance:

(1) the Company must irrevocably deposit with the Trustee (or another trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 7.10 who has agreed to comply with the provisions of this Article 8 applicable to it), in trust, for the benefit of the Holders cash in U.S. dollars, 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 selected by the Company, to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes on the stated date for payment thereof or on the applicable redemption date, as the case may be;

(2) in the case of Legal Defeasance, the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel 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 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;

(3) in the case of Covenant Defeasance, the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel reasonably acceptable to the Trustee confirming that the Holders 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;

(4) no Default or Event of Default 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 (other than a Default or Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit and the grant of any Lien securing such borrowings);

(5) such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance shall not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under this Indenture (other than a Default or an Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit and the grant of any Lien securing such borrowings) 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;

(6) 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 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;

(7) the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent provided for or relating to the Legal Defeasance or the Covenant Defeasance have been complied with; and

(8) the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that, assuming no intervening bankruptcy of the Company between the date of deposit and the 91st day following the date of deposit and that no Holder is an insider of the Company, after the 91st day following the date of deposit, the trust funds will not be subject to the effect of any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Opinion of Counsel required by clause (2) above with respect to a Legal Defeasance need not be delivered if all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation (i) have become due and payable or (ii) will become due and payable on the Maturity Date within one year or are to be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Company.

Section 8.5. Deposited Money and U.S. Government Obligations To Be Held in Trust; Other Miscellaneous Provisions.

Subject to Section 8.6, all money 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 only, the "Trustee") pursuant to Section 8.4 in respect of the outstanding Notes shall be held in trust and applied by the Trustee, in accordance with the provisions of such Notes and this Indenture, to the payment, either directly or through any Paying Agent (other than the Company) as the Trustee may determine, to the Holders of such Notes of all sums due and to become due thereon in respect of principal or Redemption Price of, and Additional Interest, if any, or interest on, the Notes, 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 cash or 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 the outstanding Notes.

Anything in this Article 8 to the contrary notwithstanding, the Trustee shall deliver or pay to the Company from time to time upon the request of the Company any money or U.S. Government Obligations held by it as provided in Section 8.4 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)), are in

excess of the amount thereof that would then be required to be deposited to effect an equivalent Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance.

Section 8.6. Repayment to the Company.

Any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent, or then held by the Company, in trust for the payment of the principal, Redemption Price or Purchase Price of, or interest on any Note and remaining unclaimed for two years after such amount has become due and payable shall be paid to the Company on its request or (if then held by the Company) shall be discharged from such trust; and the Holder of such Note shall thereafter look only to the Company for payment thereof as a general creditor, and all liability of the Trustee or such Paying Agent with respect to such trust money, and all liability of the Company as trustee thereof, shall thereupon cease; provided, however, that the Trustee or such Paying Agent, before being required to make any such repayment, at the expense of the Company, if required by applicable law cause to be published once, in The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal (national editions), notice that such money remains unclaimed and that, after a date specified therein, which shall not be less than 30 days after 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 United States dollars or U.S. Government Obligations in accordance with Section 8.2 or 8.3, as the case may be, by reason of any order or judgment of any court or governmental authority enjoining, restraining or otherwise prohibiting such application, then the obligations of the Company under this Indenture, and the Notes shall be revived and reinstated as though no deposit had occurred pursuant to Section 8.2 or 8.3 until such time as the Trustee or Paying Agent is permitted to apply all such money in accordance with Section 8.2 or 8.3, as the case may be; provided, however, that, if the Company makes any payment with respect to any 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 money held by the Trustee or Paying Agent.

Section 8.8. Termination of Obligations upon Cancellation of the Notes.

This Indenture will be discharged and will cease to be of further effect (except as set forth below and the Trustee, at the expense of the Company, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture when:

(1) either:

(a) all the Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered

(except lost, stolen or destroyed Notes which have been replaced or paid and Notes for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust or segregated and held in trust by the Company and thereafter repaid to the Company or discharged from such trust) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation;

(b) all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation (1) have become due and payable or (2) will become due and payable within one year, or are to be called for redemption within one year, under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Company, and the Company has irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee funds in an amount sufficient to pay and discharge the entire Indebtedness on the Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes to the date of deposit together with irrevocable instructions thereof at maturity or redemption, as the case may be;

(2) the Company has paid all other sums payable under this Indenture by the Company; and

(3) the Company has delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel stating that all conditions precedent under this Indenture relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Section 8.9. Survival of Certain Obligations.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture the respective obligations of the Company and the Trustee under Sections 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.8, 2.14, 3.7, 4.1, 4.2, 6.7, 7.7, 7.8, 8.5, 8.6 and 8.7 and shall survive until the Notes are no longer outstanding, and thereafter the obligations of the Company and the Trustee under Sections. 7.7, 8.5 and 8.6 shall survive. Nothing contained in this Article 8 shall abrogate any of the obligations or duties of the Trustee under this Indenture.

ARTICLE 9

AMENDMENTS

Section 9.1. Without Consent of Holders.

The Company and the Trustee may amend or enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto without the consent of any Noteholder:

(1) to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency;

(2) to comply with Section 5.2;

(3) to comply with any requirements of the SEC in connection with the qualification of this Indenture under the TIA as then in effect;

(4) to provide for uncertificated Notes in addition to certificated Notes;

(5) to secure the Notes and to make intercreditor arrangements with respect to any such Note, unless the incurrence of such obligations or the security thereof is prohibited by this Indenture;

(6) to evidence or to provide for a replacement Trustee under Section 7.8; or

(7) to add to the covenants and agreements of the Company, or any obligor with respect to the Notes, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes or to surrender any right or power herein conferred on the Company; or

(8) to make any change that does not adversely affect the rights of any Holder of the Notes.

Upon the request of the Company, accompanied by a resolution of the Board of Directors authorizing the execution of any such amendment or supplemental indenture, and upon receipt by the Trustee of the documents described in Section 9.6 hereof, the Trustee shall join with the Company in the execution of any amendment or supplemental indenture authorized or permitted by the terms of this Indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations which may be therein contained, but the Trustees shall not be obligated to enter into such amendment or supplemental indenture which affects its own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise.

Section 9.2. With Consent of Holders.

The Company and the Trustee may amend or enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto with the written consent of the Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes. The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Notes then outstanding may, or the Trustee with the written consent of the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may, waive compliance in a particular instance by the Company with any provision of this Indenture or the Notes.

Upon the request of the Company, accompanied by a resolution of the Board of Directors authorizing the execution of any such amendment or supplemental indenture, and upon the filing with the Trustee of evidence of the consent of the Noteholders as aforesaid, and upon receipt by the Trustee of the documents described in Section 9.6 hereof, the Trustee shall join with the Company in the execution of such amendment or supplemental indenture unless such amendment or supplemental indenture affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, in which case the Trustee may in its discretion, but shall not be obligated to, enter into such amendment or supplemental indenture.

It shall not be necessary for the consent of the Holders under this Section 9.2 to approve the particular form of any proposed amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver, but it shall be sufficient if such consent approves the substance thereof.

After an amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver under Section 9.1 or this Section 9.2 becomes effective, the Company shall mail to the Holders of each Note affected thereby a copy of such amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver and a notice briefly de-

scribing the amendment, supplemental indenture 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 amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver.

Notwithstanding the first paragraph of this Section 9.2, without the consent of each Noteholder affected, an amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver under this Section 9.2 shall not:

(1) reduce the principal amount of Notes whose Holders must consent to an amendment;

(2) reduce the stated rate of or extend the stated time for payment of interest, including default interest, on any Note;

(3) reduce the principal of, any installment of interest on or any premium with respect to any Note, change the Stated Maturity of any Note or change the periods during which any Note may be redeemed in accordance with Section 3.7;

(4) make any Note payable in currency other than that stated in the Note;

(5) impair the right of any Holder of the Notes to receive payment of principal of and interest on Notes on or after the due dates therefor or to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment on or with respect to such Holder's Notes;

(6) after the Company's obligation to purchase notes arises hereunder, amend, change or modify in any material respect in a manner adverse to the Holders of the obligation of the Company to make and consummate a Change of Control Offer in the event of a Change of Control or make and consummate an Asset Sale Offer with respect to any Asset Disposition that has been consummated or, after such Change of Control has occurred or such Asset Disposition has been consummated, modify any of the provisions or definitions with respect thereto;

(7) reduce the percentage in principal amount of outstanding Notes the consent of the Holders of which is necessary to amend this Indenture, to waive compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or to waive certain defaults; or

(8) release any Guarantor from any of its obligations under the Guarantee or this Indenture, except as permitted hereunder.

Section 9.3. Compliance with Trust Indenture Act.

Every amendment to or waiver of this Indenture or the Notes shall be set forth in a supplemental indenture that complies with the TIA as then in effect.

Section 9.4. Revocation and Effect of Consents.

Until an amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver becomes effective, a consent to it by a Holder of a Note is a continuing consent by the Holder and every subsequent

Holder of a Note or portion of a Note that evidences the same debt as the consenting Holder's Note, even if notation of the consent is not made on any Note. However, any such Holder or subsequent Holder may revoke the consent as to his Note or portion of a Note if the Trustee receives written notice of revocation before the date the amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver becomes effective. An amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver becomes effective in accordance with its terms and thereafter binds every Noteholder.

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, supplemental indenture or waiver. If a record date is fixed, those persons who were Holders at such record date (or their duly designated proxies), and only those persons, shall be entitled to consent to such amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver or to revoke any consent previously given, whether or not such persons continue to be Holders after such record date. No such consent shall be valid or effective for more than 120 days after such record date.

Section 9.5. Notation on or Exchange of Notes.

The Trustee may place an appropriate notation about an amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver on any Note thereafter authenticated. The Company in exchange for all Notes may issue and the Trustee shall authenticate new Notes that reflect the amendment, supplemental indenture or waiver.

Section 9.6. Trustee To Sign Amendments, etc.

The Trustee shall sign any amendment, waiver or supplemental indenture authorized pursuant to this Article 9 if the amendment does not adversely affect the rights, duties, liabilities or immunities of the Trustee. If it does, the Trustee may, but need not, sign it. In signing or refusing to sign such amendment, waiver or supplemental indenture, the Trustee shall be provided with and, subject to Section 7.1, shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel as conclusive evidence that such amendment, waiver or supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture, that it is not inconsistent herewith, and that it will be valid and binding upon the Company in accordance with its terms.

ARTICLE 10

GUARANTEES

Section 10.1. Guarantee.

Subject to the provisions of this Article 10, each Guarantor in respect of the Notes hereby jointly and severally unconditionally guarantees, on a senior unsecured basis, to each Holder of a Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee and to the Trustee and its successors, irrespective of (i) the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes or the obligations of the Company or any other Guarantors to the Holders of the Notes or the Trustee hereunder or thereunder or (ii) the absence of any action to enforce the same or any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a legal or equitable discharge or default of a Guarantor, that: (a) the principal of, premium, if any, interest, if any, with respect to the Notes shall be duly

and punctually paid in full when due, whether at maturity, by acceleration or otherwise, and interest on the overdue principal and (to the extent permitted by law) interest, if any, with respect to the Notes and all other obligations of the Company or any Guarantor to the Holders of the Notes or the Trustee hereunder or thereunder and all other obligations under this Indenture with respect to the Notes or the Notes shall be promptly paid in full or performed, all in accordance with the terms of this Indenture and thereof and (b) in case of any extension of time of payment or renewal of any Notes or any of such other obligations, the same shall be promptly paid in full when due or performed in accordance with the terms of the extension or renewal, whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise. Failing payment when due of any amount so Guaranteed, or failing performance of any other obligation of the Company to the Holders of the Notes, for whatever reason, each Guarantor shall be obligated to pay, or to perform or cause the performance of, the same immediately. An Event of Default under this Indenture or the Notes shall constitute an event of default under the Guarantee, and shall entitle the Holders of Notes or the Trustee to accelerate the obligations of the Guarantors of such Notes hereunder in the same manner and to the same extent as the obligations of the Company.

Each Guarantor, by execution of the Guarantee, waives the benefit of diligence, presentment, demand for payment, filing of claims with a court in the event of insolvency or bankruptcy of the Company, any right to require a proceeding first against the Company, protest, notice and all demands whatsoever and covenant that such Guarantee shall not be discharged except by complete performance of the obligations contained in the Notes, this Indenture and such Guarantee. The Guarantee is a guarantee of payment and not of collection. If any Holder or the Trustee is required by any court or otherwise to return to the Company or to any Guarantor, or any custodian, trustee, liquidator or other similar official acting in relation to the Company or such Guarantor, any amount paid by the Company or such Guarantor to the Trustee or such Holder of the Notes, the Guarantee, to the extent theretofore discharged, shall be reinstated in full force and effect. Each Guarantor further agrees that, as between it, on the one hand, and the Holders of the Notes and the Trustee, on the other hand, (a) subject to this Article 10, the maturity of the obligations guaranteed hereby may be accelerated as provided in Article 6 of this Indenture for the purposes of the Guarantee, notwithstanding any stay, injunction or other prohibition preventing such acceleration in respect of the obligations guaranteed hereby and (b) in the event of any acceleration of such obligations as provided in Article 6 of this Indenture, such obligations (whether or not due and payable) shall forthwith become due and payable by the Guarantors for the purpose of such Guarantee.

The Guarantee shall remain in full force and effect and continue to be effective should any petition be filed by or against the Company for liquidation or reorganization, should the Company become insolvent or make an assignment for the benefit of creditors or should a receiver or trustee be appointed for all or any significant part of the Company's assets, and shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, continue to be effective or be reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time payment and performance of the Notes are pursuant to applicable law, rescinded or reduced in amount, or must otherwise be restored or returned by any obligee on the Notes, whether as a "voidable preference," "fraudulent transfer" or otherwise, all as though such payment or performance had not been made. In the event that any payment, or any part thereof, is rescinded, reduced, restored or returned, the Notes shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law,

be reinstated and deemed reduced only by such amount paid and not so rescinded, reduced, restored or returned.

No shareholder, officer, director, employee or incorporator, past, present or future, or any Guarantor, as such, shall have any personal liability under this Guarantee by reason of his, her or its status as such shareholder, officer, director, employee or incorporator.

Section 10.2. Execution and Delivery of Guarantee.

To further evidence the Guarantee set forth in Section 10.1 of this Indenture, each Guarantor hereby agrees that a notation of such Guarantee, substantially in the form included in Exhibit G to this Indenture, shall be endorsed on each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee after this Article 10 with respect to such Guarantor becomes effective in accordance with Section 10.4 of this Indenture and such Guarantee shall be executed by either manual or facsimile signature of an officer of each Guarantor. The validity and enforceability of any Guarantee shall not be affected by the fact that it is not affixed to any particular Note.

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

If an officer of a Guarantor whose signature is on this Indenture or a Guarantee no longer holds that office at the time the Trustee authenticates the Note on which such Guarantee is endorsed or at any time thereafter, such Guarantor's Guarantee of such Note shall be valid nevertheless.

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

Section 10.3. Limitation of Guarantee.

The obligations of each Guarantor are limited to the maximum amount as shall, after giving effect to all other contingent and fixed liabilities of such Guarantor and after giving effect to any collections from or payments made by or on behalf of any other Guarantor in respect of the obligations of such other Guarantor under its Guarantee or pursuant to its contribution obligations under this Indenture, result in the obligations of such Guarantor under the Guarantee not constituting a fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer under federal or state law. Each Guarantor that makes a payment or distribution under a Guarantee shall be entitled to a contribution from each other Guarantor in a pro rata amount based on the net assets of each Guarantor, determined in accordance with GAAP.

Section 10.4. Waiver of Subrogation.

Each Guarantor, by execution of its Guarantee, waives to the extent permitted by law any claim or other rights which it may now or hereafter acquire against the Company that arise from the existence, payment, performance or enforcement of such Guarantor's obligations

under such Guarantee and this Indenture, including, without limitation, any right of subrogation, reimbursement, exoneration, indemnification, and any right to participate in any claim or remedy of any Holder of the Notes against the Company, whether or not such claim, remedy or right arises in equity, or under contract, statute or common law, including, without limitation, the right to take or receive from the Company, directly or indirectly, in cash or other property or by set-off or in any other manner, payment on account of such claim or other rights. If any amount shall be paid to any Guarantor in violation of the preceding sentence and the Notes shall not have been paid in full, such amount shall have been deemed to have been paid to such Guarantor for the benefit of, and held in trust for the benefit of, the Holders of the Notes, and shall forthwith be paid to the Trustee for the benefit of such Holders to be credited and applied upon the Notes, whether matured or unmatured, in accordance with the terms of this Indenture. Each Guarantor, by execution of its Guarantee, shall acknowledge that it shall receive direct and indirect benefits from the financing arrangements contemplated by this Indenture and that the waiver set forth in this Section 10.4 is knowingly made in contemplation of such benefits.

Section 10.5. Release of Guarantee.

If all or substantially all of the assets of any Guarantor or all of the Capital Stock of any Guarantor is sold (including by consolidation, merger, issuance or otherwise) or disposed of (including by liquidation, dissolution or otherwise) by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or, unless the Company elects otherwise, if any Guarantor is designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary in accordance with Section 4.10, then such Guarantor (in the event of a sale or other disposition of all of the Capital Stock of such Guarantor or a designation as an Unrestricted Subsidiary) or the Person acquiring such assets (in the event of a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of such Guarantor) shall be deemed automatically and unconditionally released and discharged from any of its obligations under this Indenture without any further action on the part of the Trustee or any Holder of the Notes; provided, in each case that such Guarantor is no longer a Guarantor of, or otherwise an obligor with respect to, Senior Indebtedness of the Company. In addition, if a Restricted Subsidiary is no longer a Guarantor of, or otherwise an obligor with respect to, Senior Indebtedness of the Company, such Guarantor shall be deemed automatically and unconditionally released and discharged from any of its obligations under this Indenture without any further action on the part of the Trustee or any Holder of the Notes as long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, or would occur as a consequence thereof.

Section 10.6. Contribution from Other Guarantors.

Each Guarantor that makes a payment or distribution under its Guarantee shall be entitled to a contribution from each other Guarantor in a pro rata amount based on the net assets of each Guarantor, determined in accordance with GAAP, so long as the exercise of such right does not impair the rights of Holders of Notes under any Guarantee.

ARTICLE 11

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 11.1. Trust Indenture Act Controls.

If any provision of this Indenture limits, qualifies or conflicts with the duties imposed by operation of TIA Section 318(c), the imposed duties shall control.

Section 11.2. Notices.

Any notice or communication by the Company or the Trustee to the others is duly given if in writing and delivered in person or mailed by first-class mail postage prepaid (registered or certified, return receipt requested), telecopier or overnight air courier guaranteeing next day delivery, to the other's address:

If to the Company or a Guarantor:

Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation
1001 Air Brake Avenue
Wilmerding, Pennsylvania 15148
Attention: Alvaro Garcia-Tunon
Telephone No.: (412) 825-1315
Telecopier No.: (412) 825-1156

With a copy to:

Reed Smith LLP
435 Sixth Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219
Attention: David L. DeNinno, Esq.

Telephone No.: (412) 288-3214
Telecopier No.: (412) 288-3218

If to the Trustee:

The Bank of New York
101 Barclay Street - 8W
New York, New York 10286
Attention: Corporate Trust Administration

Telephone No.: (212) 815-2498
Telecopier No.: (212) 815-5707

The Company, any other obligor upon the Notes or the Trustee by notice to the others may designate additional or different addresses for subsequent notices or communications.

All notices and communications (other than those sent to Noteholders) shall be deemed to have been duly given: at the time delivered by hand, if personally delivered; five Business Days after being deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, if mailed; when receipt acknowledged, if telecopies; and the next Business Day after timely delivery to the courier, if sent by overnight air courier guaranteeing next day delivery.

Any notice or communication to a Noteholder shall be mailed by first-class mail to his address shown on the register kept by the Registrar. Failure to mail a notice or communication to a Noteholder or any defect in it shall not affect its sufficiency with respect to other Noteholders.

If a notice or communication is mailed in the manner provided above within the time prescribed, it is duly given, whether or not the addressee receives it.

If the Company (or any other obligor upon the Notes) mails a notice or communication to Noteholders, it shall mail a copy to the Trustee at the same time.

Section 11.3. Communication by Holders with Other Holders.

Noteholders may communicate pursuant to TIA Section 312(b) with other Noteholders with respect to their rights under this Indenture or the Notes. The Company, the Trustee, the Registrar and anyone else shall have the protection of TIA Section 312(c).

Section 11.4. Certificate and Opinion as to Conditions Precedent.

Upon any request or application by the Company (or any other obligor upon the Notes) to the Trustee to take any action under this Indenture, the Company (or such other obligor) shall furnish to the Trustee:

(1) an Officers' Certificate (which shall include the statements set forth in Section 11.5) stating that, in the opinion of the signers, all conditions precedent and covenants, if any, provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action have been complied with; and

(2) An Opinion of Counsel (which shall include the statements set forth in Section 11.5) stating that, in the opinion of such counsel, all such conditions precedent and covenants have been complied with.

Section 11.5. 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 complied with; and

(4) a statement as to whether or not, in the opinion of such Person, such condition or covenant has been complied with.

Section 11.6. Rules by Trustee and Agents.

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

Section 11.7. No Recourse Against Others.

No recourse under or upon any obligation, covenant or agreement contained in this Indenture, or in any security, or because of any indebtedness evidenced thereby, shall be had against any stockholder, officer or director, as such, of the Company or any successor, under any rule of law, statute or institutional provision or by the enforcement of any assessment or by any legal or equitable proceeding or otherwise, all such liability being expressly waived and released by the acceptance of the Notes by the Holders thereof and as part of the consideration for the issue of the Notes.

Section 11.8. Governing Law.

THIS INDENTURE, EACH NOTE AND EACH GUARANTEE SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE A CONTRACT UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK AND FOR ALL PURPOSES SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF SUCH STATE, WITHOUT REGARD TO THE PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICTS OF LAWS.

Section 11.9. No Adverse Interpretation of Other Agreements.

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

Section 11.10. Successors.

All agreements of the Company in this Indenture and the Notes shall bind its successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not. All agreements of the Trustee in this Indenture shall bind its successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 11.11. Severability.

In case any provision in this Indenture, the Notes or the Guarantees shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 11.12. Counterpart Originals.

The parties may sign any number of copies of this Indenture. Each signed copy shall be an original, but all of them together represent the same agreement. One signed copy is enough to prove this Indenture.

Section 11.13. Variable Provisions.

The Company hereby initially appoints the Trustee as Paying Agent and Registrar.

Section 11.14. Provisions of Indenture for the Sole Benefit of Parties

and Noteholders.

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give or be construed to give to any Person, firm or corporation, other than the parties hereto and their successors and the Holders of the Notes, any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture or under any covenant or provision herein contained, all such covenants and provisions being for the sole benefit of the parties hereto and their successors and of the Holders of the Notes.

Section 11.15. Table of Contents, Headings, etc.

The Table of Contents, Cross-Reference Table and Headings of the Articles and 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 11.16. No Personal Liability of Directors, Officers,

Employees, Incorporator and Stockholders

No director, officer, employee, incorporator or stockholder of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, as such, shall have any liability for any obligations of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries under the Notes or this Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of, such obligations or their creation. Each Holder of Notes by accepting a Note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for issuance of the Notes.

[Signature pages follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Indenture to be duly executed as of August 6, 2003.

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE
TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION, as Issuer

By: /s/ Alvaro Garcia-Tunon

Name: Alvaro Garcia-Tunon
Title: Senior Vice President

THE BANK OF NEW YORK, as Trustee

By: /s/ Joseph A. Lloret

Name: Joseph A. Lloret
Title: Assistant Treasurer

The Guarantors:

MOTIVEPOWER, INC.
RAILROAD FRICTION PRODUCTS
CORPORATION
RFPC HOLDING CORPORATION
WABTEC CORPORATION
WABTEC DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
WABTEC HOLDING CORP.
WABTEC TRANSPORTATION
TECHNOLOGIES
YOUNG TOUCHSTONE COMPANY

By: /s/ Alvaro Garcia-Tunon

Name: Alvaro Garcia-Tunon
Title: Vice President

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[FORM OF NOTE]

THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION. NEITHER THIS SECURITY NOR ANY INTEREST OR PARTICIPATION HEREIN MAY BE REOFFERED, SOLD, ASSIGNED, TRANSFERRED, PLEDGED, ENCUMBERED OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF IN THE ABSENCE OF SUCH REGISTRATION OR UNLESS SUCH TRANSACTION IS EXEMPT FROM, OR NOT SUBJECT TO, SUCH REGISTRATION. THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY, BY ITS ACCEPTANCE HEREOF AGREES ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF ANY INVESTOR ACCOUNT FOR WHICH IT HAS PURCHASED SECURITIES, TO OFFER, SELL OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER SUCH SECURITY, PRIOR TO THE DATE (THE "RESALE RESTRICTION TERMINATION DATE") THAT IS TWO YEARS AFTER THE LATER OF THE ORIGINAL ISSUE DATE HEREOF AND THE LAST DATE ON WHICH THE ISSUER OR ANY AFFILIATE OF THE ISSUER WAS THE OWNER OF THIS SECURITY (OR ANY PREDECESSOR OF SUCH SECURITY), ONLY (A) TO THE ISSUER, (B) PURSUANT TO A REGISTRATION STATEMENT THAT HAS BEEN DECLARED EFFECTIVE UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (C) FOR SO LONG AS THE SECURITIES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR RESALE PURSUANT TO RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, TO A PERSON IT REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER" AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT THAT PURCHASES FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER TO WHOM NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT THE TRANSFER IS BEING MADE IN RELIANCE ON RULE 144A, (D) PURSUANT TO OFFERS AND SALES THAT OCCUR OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF REGULATIONS UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (E) TO AN "ACCREDITED INVESTOR" WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 501(a)(1), (2), (3) OR (7) UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT THAT IS AN INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR ACQUIRING THE SECURITY FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF SUCH AN INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR, IN EACH CASE IN A MINIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE SECURITIES OF \$250,000, FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES AND NOT WITH A VIEW TO OR FOR OFFER OR SALE IN CONNECTION WITH ANY DISTRIBUTION IN VIOLATION OF THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (F) PURSUANT TO ANOTHER AVAILABLE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT, SUBJECT TO THE ISSUER'S AND THE TRUSTEE'S RIGHT PRIOR TO ANY SUCH OFFER, SALE OR TRANSFER PURSUANT TO CLAUSES (D), (E) OR (F) TO REQUIRE THE DELIVERY OF AN OPINION OF COUNSEL, CERTIFICATION AND/OR OTHER INFORMATION SATISFACTORY TO EACH OF THEM. THIS LEGEND WILL BE REMOVED UPON THE REQUEST OF THE HOLDER AFTER THE RESALE RESTRICTION TERMINATION DATE.

[FORM OF NOTE]

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CUSIP No. -----

6 7/8% Senior Note Due 2013

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation, promises to pay to CEDE & CO., or registered assigns, the principal sum of _____ Dollars on July 31, 2013.

Interest Payment Dates: January 31 and July 31, commencing January 31, 2004.

Record Dates: January 15 and July 15.

Additional provisions of this Note are set forth on the other side of this Note.

Dated: August 6, 2003

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE
TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

By: -----
Name: Alvaro Garcia-Tunon
Title: Senior Vice President

By: -----
Name: George A. Socher
Title: Vice President

TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHENTICATION

THE BANK OF NEW YORK
as Trustee, certifies
that this is one of the
Notes referred to
in the Indenture.

Dated: August 6, 2003

By: -----
Authorized Signatory

1. Interest

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (such corporation, and its successors and assigns under the Indenture hereinafter referred to, being herein called the "Company"), promises to pay interest on the principal amount of this Note at the rate per annum shown above. The Company will pay interest semi-annually on January 31 and July 31 of each year, commencing January 31, 2004. Interest on the Notes will accrue from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or, if no interest has been paid, from August 6, 2003. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve-30-day months. The Company shall pay interest on overdue principal at the rate borne by the Notes plus 1% per annum, and it shall pay interest on overdue installments of interest at the same rate to the extent lawful.

2. Method of Payment

The Company will pay interest on the Notes (except defaulted interest) to the persons who are registered holders of Notes at the close of business on the January 15 or July 15 next preceding the interest payment date even if Notes are canceled after the record date and on or before the interest payment date. Holders must surrender Notes to a Paying Agent to collect principal payments. The Company will pay principal and interest in money of the United States that at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts. However, the Company may pay principal and interest by check payable in such money. It may mail an interest check to a Holder's registered address.

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Initially, The Bank of New York, a New York banking corporation (the "Trustee"), will act as Paying Agent and Registrar. The Company may appoint and change any Paying Agent, Registrar or co-registrar without notice. The Company or any of its Subsidiaries may act as Paying Agent, Registrar or co-registrar.

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The Company issued the Notes under an Indenture dated as of August 6, 2003 (the "Indenture"), among the Company, the guarantors from time to time party thereto 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 (15 U.S.C. Sections 77aaa-7bbb) as in effect on the date of the Indenture (the "Act"). Capitalized terms used herein and not defined herein have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Indenture. The Notes are subject to all such terms, and Noteholders are referred to the Indenture and the Act for a statement of those terms.

The Notes are general unsecured obligations of the Company unlimited in principal amount. The Indenture imposes certain limitations on the Incurrence of Indebtedness by the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries, the payment of dividends and other distributions and acquisitions or retirements of the Company's Capital Stock, the sale or transfer of assets and Subsidiary stock, the Incurrence of Liens by the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries, Sale/Leaseback transactions and transactions with Affiliates. In addition, the Indenture limits the ability of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries to restrict distributions and dividends from Restricted Subsidiaries and provides that during any period in which the Notes are rated Investment Grade and no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing under the Indenture, certain covenants will not apply. The Company may issue Additional Notes under the Indenture.

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Except as set forth in this paragraph 5, the Company may not redeem any of the Notes. At any time on or before July 31, 2006, the Company may, at its option, redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of Notes using the proceeds from certain public equity offerings, in whole or in part, at a Redemption Price equal to 106.875% of the principal amount thereof, plus all accrued and unpaid interest thereon to the Redemption Date (subject to the right of Holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date; provided that (i) at least 65% of the principal amount of Notes issued under the Indenture remains outstanding immediately after any such redemption; and the Company makes such redemption not more than 90 days after the consummation of any such equity offering.

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Upon a Change of Control, any Holder of Notes will have the right to cause the Company to repurchase all or any part of the Notes of such Holder at a repurchase price equal to 101% of the principal amount of the Notes to be repurchased plus accrued interest to the date of repurchase as provided in, and subject to the terms of, the Indenture.

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Subject to certain conditions, the Company at any time may terminate some or all of its obligations under the Notes and the Indenture if the Company deposits with the Trustee money or U.S. Government Obligations for the payment of principal and interest on the Notes to redemption or maturity, as the case may be.

13. Amendment, Waiver

Subject to certain exceptions set forth in the Indenture, the Indenture or the Notes may be amended with the written consent of the Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes. The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Notes then outstanding may, or the Trustee with the written consent of the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes, may waive compliance in a particular instance by the Company with any provision of the Indenture or the Notes. Subject to certain exceptions set forth in the Indenture, without the consent of any Noteholder, the Company and the Trustee may amend the Indenture or the Notes to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency, to comply with Section 5.2 of the Indenture, to comply with any requirements of the SEC in connection with qualifying the Indenture under the TIA as then in effect, to provide for uncer-

tificated Notes in addition to certificated Notes, to secure the Notes or to make intercreditor arrangements with respect to any such Note, unless the incurrence of such obligations or the security thereof is prohibited by Indenture, to make any change that does not adversely affect the rights of any Holder of the Notes, to evidence or to provide for a replacement Trustee under Section 7.8 of the Indenture, or to add to the covenants and agreements of the Company or any obligor with respect to any such Notes for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes or to surrender any right or power conferred on the Company under the Indenture.

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Under the Indenture, Events of Default include (i) a default in the payment of interest on the Notes when due, continued for 30 days; (ii) a default in the payment of principal of any Note when due at its Stated Maturity, upon redemption, upon required repurchase, upon declaration or otherwise; (iii) the failure by the Company to comply for 30 days after notice with its obligations under Section 4.4, 4.9, 4.10, 4.11, 4.12, 4.13, 4.14, 4.16 or 4.17 of the Indenture and its other agreements contained in the Indenture (except in the case of a default with respect to Sections 4.15 and 5.1 of the Indenture which will constitute Events of Default with notice but without passage of time); (iv) Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary is accelerated by the holders thereof because of a default and the total amount of such Indebtedness accelerated exceeds \$10.0 million, or its foreign currency equivalent, with respect to any individual Indebtedness or, together with all Indebtedness unpaid when due after giving effect to any applicable grace period provided in such Indebtedness or accelerated, aggregates \$15.0 million, or its foreign currency equivalent (at least \$7.5 million of which is Indebtedness that has been accelerated); (v) the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to or within the meaning of any Bankruptcy Law: (A) commences a voluntary case; (B) consents to the entry of an order for relief against it in an involuntary case; (C) consents to the appointment of a Custodian of it or for any substantial part of its property; or (D) makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors; (E) or takes any comparable action under any foreign laws relating to insolvency; (vi) a court of competent jurisdiction enters an order or decree under any Bankruptcy Law that: (A) is for relief against the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in an involuntary case; (B) appoints a Custodian of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary or for any substantial part of its property; or (C) orders the winding up or liquidation of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary; or any similar relief is granted under any foreign laws and the order or decree remains unstayed and in effect for 60 days; or (vii) any judgment or decree for the payment of money in excess of \$10.0 million (or its foreign currency equivalent) (to the extent not covered by insurance) with respect to any individual judgment or decree or aggregating \$15.0 million (or its foreign currency equivalent) is rendered against the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary and is not discharged, paid or stayed for a period of 60 days after such judgment or judgments become final and non-appealable; or (viii) the Guarantee of any Significant Subsidiary ceases to be in full force and effect (except as contemplated by the terms of the Guarantee and the Indenture) or is declared null and void in a judicial proceeding or any Guarantor denies or disaffirms its obligations under the Indenture or its Guarantee.

Noteholders may not enforce the Indenture or the Notes except as provided in the Indenture. The Trustee may refuse to enforce the Indenture or the Notes unless it receives reasonable indemnity or security. Subject to certain limitations, Holders of a majority in principal

amount of the Notes may direct the Trustee in its exercise of any trust or power. The Trustee may withhold from Noteholders notice of any continuing Default (except a Default in payment of principal or interest) if it determines that withholding notice is not opposed to their interest.

15. Trustee Dealings with the Company

Subject to certain limitations imposed by the Act, the Trustee under the Indenture, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledges of Notes and may otherwise deal with and collect obligations owed to it by the Company or its affiliates and may otherwise deal with the Company or its affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee.

16. No Recourse Against Others

A director, officer, employee or stockholder, as such, of the Company or the Trustee shall not have any liability for any obligations of the Company under the Notes or the Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of or by reason of such obligations or their creation. By accepting a Note, each Noteholder waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for the issue of the Notes.

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This Note shall not be valid until an authorized signatory of the Trustee (or an authenticating agent) manually signs the certificate of authentication on the other side of this Note.

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Customary abbreviations may be used in the name of a Noteholder or an assignee, such as TEN COM (=tenants in common), TEN ENT(=tenants by the entirety), JT TEN (=joint tenants with rights of survivorships and not as tenants in common), CUST (=custodian), and U/G/M/A (=Uniform Gift to Minors Act).

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The Company will furnish to any Noteholder upon written request and without charge to the Noteholder a copy of the indenture which has in it the text of this Note in larger type. Requests may be made to: Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation, 1000 Air Brake Avenue, Wilmerding, Pennsylvania 15148, Attention of Chief Financial Officer.

20. Registration Rights

Pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement, the Company will be obligated upon the occurrence of certain events to consummate an exchange offer pursuant to which the Holder of this Note shall have the right to exchange this Note for a 6 7/8% Senior Note due 2013, of the Company (an "Unrestricted Note") which has been registered under the Securities Act, in like principal amount and having terms identical in all material respects to this Note. The Holders shall be entitled to receive certain liquidated damages in the event such exchange offer is not consummated and upon certain other conditions, all pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of the Registration Rights Agreement.

21. Governing Law

The Indenture and this Note shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York without regard to the application of principles of conflicts of laws. Each of the parties hereto and thereto agrees to submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Indenture and this Note.

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I or we assign and transfer this Note to

(Print or type assignee's name, address and zip code)

(Insert assignee's soc. sec. or tax I.D. No.)

and irrevocably appoint _____ agent 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 other side of this Note.

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Dated:_____

Signed:_____
(Signed exactly as name appears
on the other side of this Note)

[FORM OF EXCHANGE NOTE]

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CUSIP No. _____

6 7/8% Senior Note Due 2013

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Interest Payment Dates: January 31 and July 31, commencing January 31, 2004.

Record Dates: January 15 and July 15.

Additional provisions of this Note are set forth on the other side of this Note.

Dated:

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE
TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

By: _____
Name:
Title:

By: _____
Name:
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TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHENTICATION

THE BANK OF NEW YORK
as Trustee, certifies
that this is one of the
Notes referred to
in the Indenture.

Dated:

By: -----
Authorized Signatory

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Dated:_____

Signed:_____
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Any Global Note authenticated and delivered hereunder shall bear a legend (which would be in addition to any other legends required in the case of a Restricted Note) in substantially the following form:

THIS NOTE IS A GLOBAL NOTE WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE INDENTURE HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AND IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF A DEPOSITORY OR A NOMINEE OF A DEPOSITORY OR A SUCCESSOR DEPOSITORY. THIS NOTE IS NOT EXCHANGEABLE FOR NOTES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF A PERSON OTHER THAN THE DEPOSITORY OR ITS NOMINEE EXCEPT IN THE LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE, AND NO TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE (OTHER THAN A TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE AS A WHOLE BY THE DEPOSITORY TO A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITORY OR BY A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITORY TO THE DEPOSITORY OR ANOTHER NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITORY) MAY BE REGISTERED EXCEPT IN THE LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

UNLESS THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, A NEW YORK CORPORATION ("DTC"), TO THE ISSUER OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE, OR PAYMENT, AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS 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.

TRANSFERS OF THIS GLOBAL NOTE SHALL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS IN WHOLE, BUT NOT IN PART, TO NOMINEES OF CEDE & CO. OR TO A SUCCESSOR THEREOF OR SUCH SUCCESSOR'S NOMINEE AND TRANSFERS OF PORTIONS OF THIS GLOBAL NOTE SHALL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION 2.16 OF THE INDENTURE.

CERTIFICATE TO BE DELIVERED UPON EXCHANGE
OR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER OF NOTES

Re: 6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013 (the "Notes")
of Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation

This Certificate relates to \$_____ principal amount of Notes held in the form of* a beneficial interest in a Global Note or* Physical Notes by _____ (the "Transferor").

The Transferor:*

has requested by written order that the Registrar deliver in exchange for its beneficial interest in the Global Note held by the Depository a Physical Note or Physical Notes in definitive, registered form of authorized denominations and an aggregate number equal to its beneficial interest in such Global Note (or the portion thereof indicated above); or

has requested that the Registrar by written order to exchange or register the transfer of a Physical Note or Physical Notes.

In connection with such request and in respect of each such Note, the Transferor does hereby certify that the Transferor is familiar with the Indenture relating to the above captioned Notes and the restrictions on transfers thereof as provided in Section 2.16 of such Indenture, and that the transfer of the Notes does not require Registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), because:*

Such Note is being acquired for the Transferor's own account, without transfer (in satisfaction of Section 2.16 of the Indenture); or

such Note is being transferred to a "qualified institutional buyer" (as defined in Rule 144A under the Act), in reliance on Rule 144A; or

such Note is being transferred to an institutional "accredited investor" (within the meaning of Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Act) which delivers a certificate to the Trustee in the form of Exhibit E to the Indenture; or

such Note is being transferred in reliance on Rule 144 under the Act;
or

[] such Note is being transferred in reliance on and in compliance with an exemption from the Registration requirements of the Act other than Rule 144A or Rule 144 under the Act to a person other than an institutional "accredited investor." An Opinion of Counsel to the effect that such transfer does not require Registration under the Securities Act accompanies this certification.

[INSERT NAME OF TRANSFEROR]

By: -----
[Authorized Signatory]

Date: -----

*Check applicable box.

Form of Transferee Letter of Representation

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION
c/o THE BANK OF NEW YORK
101 Barclay Street
New York, New York 10286

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This certificate is delivered to request a transfer of \$_____ principal amount of the 6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013 (the "Notes") of WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION (the "Company"). Upon transfer, the Notes would be registered in the name of the new beneficial owner as follows:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Taxpayer ID Number: _____

The undersigned represents and warrants to you that:

1. We are an institutional "accredited investor" (as defined in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act")) purchasing for our own account or for the account of such an institutional "accredited investor" at least \$250,000 principal amount of the Notes, and we are acquiring the Notes not with a view to, or for offer or sale in connection with, any distribution in violation of the Securities Act. We have such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risk of our investment in the Notes and we invest in or purchase securities similar to the Notes in the normal course of our business. We and any accounts for which we are acting are each able to bear the economic risk of our or its investment.

2. We understand that the Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act and, unless so registered, may not be sold except as permitted in the following sentence. We agree on our own behalf and on behalf of any investor account for which we are purchasing Notes to offer, sell or otherwise transfer such Notes prior to the date which is two years after the later of the date of original issue and the last date on which the Company or any affiliate of the Company was the owner of such Notes (or any predecessor thereto) (the "Resale Restriction Termination Date") only (a) to the Company, (b) pursuant to a registration statement which has been declared effective under the Securities Act, (c) in a transaction complying with the requirements of Rule 144A under the Securities Act, to a person we reasonably believe is a qualified institutional buyer under Rule 144A (a "QIB") that purchases for its own account or for the account of a QIB and to whom notice is given that the transfer is being made in reliance on Rule 144A, (d) pursuant to offers and sales that occur outside the United States within the meaning of Regulation S under the Securities Act, (e) to an institutional "accredited investor" within the meaning

the meaning of Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Securities Act that is purchasing for its own account or for the account of such an institutional "accredited investor," in each case in a minimum principal amount of Notes of \$250,000, or (f) pursuant to any other available exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, subject in each of the foregoing cases to any requirement of law that the disposition of our property or the property of such investor account or accounts be at all times within our or their control and in compliance with any applicable state securities laws. The foregoing restrictions on resale will not apply subsequent to the Resale Restriction Termination Date. If any resale or other transfer of the Notes is proposed to be made pursuant to clause (e) above prior to the Resale Restriction Termination Date, the transferor shall deliver a letter from the transferee substantially in the form of this letter to the Company and the Trustee, which shall provide, among other things, that the transferee is an institutional "accredited investor" within the meaning of Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Securities Act and that it is acquiring such Notes for investment purposes and not for distribution in violation of the Securities Act. Each purchaser acknowledges that the Company and the Trustee reserve the right prior to any offer, sale or other transfer prior to the Resale Restriction Termination Date of the Notes pursuant to clause (d), (e) or (f) above to require the delivery of an opinion of counsel, certificates and/or other information satisfactory to the Company and the Trustee.

Dated: _____

TRANSFeree: _____

By: _____

Name:
Title:

Form of Certificate To Be
Delivered in Connection
with Regulation S Transfers

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION
c/o THE BANK OF NEW YORK
101 Barclay Street
New York, New York 10286

Re: WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION
(the "Company") 6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013 (the "Notes")

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In connection with our proposed sale of \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Notes, we confirm that such sale has been effected pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and, accordingly, we represent that:

(1) the offer of the Notes was not made to a person in the United States;

(2) either (a) at the time the buy offer was originated, the transferee was outside the United States or we and any person acting on our behalf reasonably believed that the transferee was outside the United States, or (b) the transaction was executed in, on or through the facilities of a designated off-shore securities market and neither we nor any person acting on our behalf knows that the transaction has been prearranged with a buyer in the United States;

(3) no directed selling efforts have been made in the United States in contravention of the requirements of Rule 903(b) or Rule 904(b) of Regulation S, as applicable;

(4) the transaction is not part of a plan or scheme to evade the registration requirements of the Securities Act; and

(5) we have advised the transferee of the transfer restrictions applicable to the Notes.

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. Defined terms used herein without definition have the respective meanings provided in Regulation S.

Very truly yours,

[Name of Transferor]

By:

[Authorized Signatory]

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[FORM OF GUARANTEE]

Each of the undersigned (the "Guarantors") hereby jointly and severally unconditionally guarantees, to the extent set forth in the Indenture dated as of August 6, 2003, by and between Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation, as issuer, the Guarantors and The Bank of New York, as Trustee, (the "Indenture"), and subject to the provisions of the Indenture, (a) the due and punctual payment of the principal of, and premium, if any, and interest on the of Notes, when and as the same shall become due and payable, whether at maturity, by acceleration or otherwise, the due and punctual payment of interest on overdue principal of, and premium and, to the extent permitted by law, interest, and the due and punctual performance of all other obligations of the Company to the Holders of the of Notes or the Trustee, all in accordance with the terms set forth in Article Ten of the Indenture and (b) in case of any extension of time of payment or renewal of any Notes or any of such other obligations, that the same shall be promptly paid in full when due or performed in accordance with the terms of the extension or renewal, whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise.

The obligations of the Guarantors to the Holders of the Notes of and to the Trustee pursuant to this Guarantee and the Indenture are expressly set forth in Article 10 of the Indenture and reference is hereby made to the Indenture for the precise terms and limitations of this Guarantee. The validity and enforceability of any Guarantee shall not be affected by the fact that it is not affixed to any particular Note.

This Guarantee has been executed and issued pursuant to the requirements of the Indenture.

[Signatures on Following Pages]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the Guarantors has caused this Guarantee to be signed by a duly authorized officer.

The Guarantors:

MOTIVEPOWER, INC.
RAILROAD FRICTION PRODUCTS
CORPORATION
RFPC HOLDING CORPORATION
WABTEC CORPORATION
WABTEC DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
WABTEC HOLDING CORP.
WABTEC TRANSPORTATION
TECHNOLOGIES
YOUNG TOUCHSTONE COMPANY

By:

Name: Alvaro Garcia-Tunon
Title: Vice President

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WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

MINUTES

Regarding the Board Meeting Held July 23, 2003

Approval of 6.875% Senior Notes due 2013

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation (the "Company") authorized and approved, at the Board meeting held on May 21, 2003, the sale of up to \$175 million in aggregate principal notes with an interest rate not to exceed 7.25%;

WHEREAS, the Company desires to proceed with the sale of \$150 million in 6.875% Senior Notes due 2013 (the "Notes");

WHEREAS, such Notes will be guaranteed (the "Guarantees") by MotivePower, Inc., Railroad Friction Products Corporation, RFPC Holding Corporation, Wabtec Corporation, Wabtec Distribution Company, Wabtec Holding Corp., Wabtec Transportation Technologies, Wabtec Railway Electronics Corporation and Young Touchstone Company (the "Guarantors") (the Notes, together with the Guarantees are referred herein as the "Securities");

WHEREAS, J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. has agreed to act as the representative (the "Representative") of the several Initial Purchasers (as later defined herein) of the Securities pursuant to the Purchase Agreement by and between the Company and the Initial Purchasers (the "Purchase Agreement") and it is proposed that the Securities be issued and sold to J.P Morgan Securities Inc. and the other Initial Purchasers listed on Schedule 1 of the Purchase Agreement (the "Initial Purchasers") pursuant to a Purchase Agreement executed by the Company, the Guarantors and the Representative for itself and on behalf of the several Initial Purchasers;

WHEREAS, the Securities will be issued pursuant to an Indenture (the "Indenture") executed by the Company and the Bank of New York (the "Trustee");

WHEREAS, the Securities will in turn be sold to Qualified Institutional Buyers ("QIBs") as defined in Rule 144A and Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Act") pursuant to an Offering Memorandum;

WHEREAS, the Securities will be exchanged for Exchange Securities and Private Exchange Securities, if any, as defined in the Registration Rights Agreement (as later defined herein), in a Registered Exchange Offer pursuant to an Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement (the "Registration Rights Agreement") executed by the Company, the Guarantors and the Representative for itself and on behalf of the several Initial Purchasers;

WHEREAS, the Company and the Trustee must deliver to the Depository Trust Company ("DTC") executed copies of a Letter of Representations as required by DTC.

NOW THEREFORE, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously approved, it is hereby:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors (the "Board") does hereby ratify, authorize and approve the preparation and distribution of the Offering Memorandum, including the delivery without charge to the Initial Purchasers and the counsel for the Initial Purchasers of as many copies of the Offering Memorandum (and any amendments or supplements thereto) as may be reasonably requested;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board does hereby ratify, approve any such amendments or supplements to the Offering Memorandum as may become necessary at any time prior to

completion of the resale of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers in order that the Offering Memorandum will not include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing at the time it is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading, or if it is necessary to amend or supplement the Offering Memorandum to comply with applicable law;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board does hereby ratify, authorize and approve the execution and delivery of the Purchase Agreement, Registration Rights Agreement, Indenture and Letter of Representations;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board does hereby ratify, authorize and approve the issuance and execution by the Company of 6.875% Senior Notes in the amount of up to \$150 million, which Securities, when duly executed and authenticated in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture and delivered to and paid for by the Initial Purchasers in accordance with the terms of the Purchase Agreement, will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture and will be valid and binding obligations of the Company, enforceable in accordance with their terms except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally or by equitable principles relating to enforceability (collectively, the "Enforceability Exceptions"):

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board does hereby ratify and approve the engagement of the Initial Purchasers as the Company's purchasers of the Securities in exchange for a discount on the initial purchase price and upon the other terms and conditions set forth in the Purchase Agreement, and does hereby approve the sale by the Company to the Initial Purchasers of the entire principal amount of the Securities at a price and in a principal amount not to exceed \$150 million approved by the Pricing Committee;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Pricing Committee is hereby formed and is made up of Alvaro Garcia-Tunon;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Bank of New York be, and hereby is, appointed to act as Trustee, Registrar and Paying Agent (the "Trustee") under the Indenture and as Registrar and Paying Agent with regard to the Securities; and the form of resolutions, if any, submitted by the Trustee in connection therewith are hereby approved and adopted;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board does hereby understand and agree that the Company will from time to time take such actions as the Initial Purchasers may reasonably request to qualify the Securities for offering and sale under the securities or Blue Sky laws of such jurisdictions as the Initial Purchasers may designate and to continue such qualifications in effect for so long as required for the resale of the Securities; and to arrange for the determination of the eligibility for investment of the Securities under the laws of such jurisdictions as the Initial Purchasers may reasonably request; provided that neither the Company, the Guarantors nor any of its other subsidiaries shall be obligated to qualify as foreign corporations in any jurisdiction in which it is not so qualified or to file a general consent to service of process in any jurisdiction;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board does hereby authorize and approve the Company's assistance to the Initial Purchasers in arranging for the Securities to be designated Private Offerings, Resales and Trading through Automated Linkages ("PORTAL") Market securities in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by NASD relating to trading in The PORTAL Market and for the Securities to be eligible for clearance and settlement through DTC;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board does hereby understand and agree that the Company will (i) prepare and, not later than 105 days following the date of original issuance of the Securities (the "Issue Date"), file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a

registration statement (the "Exchange Offer Registration Statement") on an appropriate form under the Act with respect to a proposed offer to the holders of the Securities (the "Registered Exchange Offer") to issue and deliver to such holders, in exchange for the Securities, a like aggregate principal amount of debt securities of the Company (the "Exchange Securities") that are identical in all material respects to the Securities, except for the transfer restrictions relating to the Securities, (ii) use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Exchange Offer Registration Statement to become effective under the Act no later than 150 days after the Issue Date and the Registered Exchange Offer to be consummated no later than 180 days after the Issue Date and (iii) keep the Exchange Offer Registration Statement effective for not less than 30 days after the date on which notice of the Registered Exchange Offer is mailed to the holders.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board does hereby agree that the Exchange Securities will be issued under an indenture (the "Exchange Securities Indenture") to be identical in all material respects to the Indenture except for the transfer restrictions relating to the Securities, and does hereby approve the execution and delivery of such Exchange Securities Indenture;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board does hereby ratify, authorize and approve the issuance and execution of Exchange Securities and Private Exchange Securities, if any, pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement, which Exchange Securities and Private Exchange Securities, if any, when duly executed, issued and authenticated and delivered as provided in the Exchange Securities Indenture and Registration Rights Agreement in exchange for the Securities, will be duly and validly issued and outstanding and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company and the Guarantors entitled to the benefits of the Exchange Securities Indenture and enforceable against the Company and the Guarantors in accordance with their terms, pursuant to the Enforceability Exceptions;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board does hereby ratify and approve the payment of all expenses incident to the performance of its obligations under the Purchase Agreement, including (i) the preparation of the Offering Memorandum and all amendments and supplements thereto, (ii) preparation, issuance and delivery of the Securities, including any transfer taxes payable in connection with the transfer of the Securities to the Initial Purchasers, (iii) the fees and disbursements of the Company's counsel and accountants, (iv) the qualification of the Securities under state securities or Blue Sky laws, including filing fees and the fees and disbursements of counsel for the Initial Purchasers in connection therewith and in connection with the preparation of any Blue Sky memorandum, (v) the printing and delivery to the Initial Purchasers, in quantities as hereinabove stated, copies of the Offering Memorandum and any amendments or supplements thereto, (vi) the delivery to the Initial Purchasers of copies of any Blue Sky memorandum, (vii) the filing fees and expenses, if any, incurred with respect to any filing with the NASD made in connection with The PORTAL Market, and (viii) any expenses incurred by the Company in connection with a "road show" presentation to potential investors;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the officers of the Company be, and each hereby is, authorized for and on behalf of the Company and in its name to take any and all further action and to deliver all such documents, certificates, letters and other instruments as any one of them may deem necessary or advisable in order to carry out the full intent and purposes of the foregoing resolutions, the taking of any such action to constitute conclusive evidence of the exercise of such discretionary authority.

\$150,000,000

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES
CORPORATION

6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013

Purchase Agreement

July 23, 2003

J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.
As Representative of the
several Initial Purchasers listed
in Schedule 1 hereto
c/o J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.
270 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), proposes to issue and sell to the several Initial Purchasers listed in Schedule 1 hereto (the "Initial Purchasers"), for whom you are acting as representative (the "Representative"), \$150,000,000 principal amount of its 6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013 (the "Notes"). The Notes will be issued pursuant to an Indenture to be dated as of August 6, 2003 (the "Indenture") among the Company, the guarantors listed in Schedule 2 hereto (the "Guarantors") and The Bank of New York, as trustee (the "Trustee"), and will be guaranteed on an unsecured senior basis by each of the Guarantors (the "Guarantees" and, together with the Notes, the "Securities").

The Securities will be offered and sold to the Initial Purchasers without being registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), in reliance upon an exemption therefrom. The Company has prepared a preliminary offering memorandum dated July 11, 2003 (the "Preliminary Offering Memorandum") and will prepare an offering memorandum dated the date hereof (the "Offering Memorandum") setting forth information concerning the Company and the Securities. Copies of the Preliminary Offering

Memorandum have been, and copies of the Offering Memorandum will be, delivered by the Company to the Initial Purchasers pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. Any references herein to the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum shall be deemed to include all amendments and supplements thereto, unless otherwise noted. The Company hereby confirms that it has authorized the use of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum in connection with the offering and resale of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers in the manner contemplated by this Agreement. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Offering Memorandum. References herein to the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum shall be deemed to refer to and include any document incorporated by reference therein.

Holders of the Securities (including the Initial Purchasers and their direct and indirect transferees) will be entitled to the benefits of a Registration Rights Agreement, to be dated the Closing Date (as defined below) and substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Registration Rights Agreement"), pursuant to which the Company and the Guarantors will agree to file one or more registration statements with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") providing for the registration under the Securities Act of the Securities or the Exchange Securities referred to (and as defined) in the Registration Rights Agreement.

The Company hereby confirms its agreement with the several Initial Purchasers concerning the purchase and resale of the Securities, as follows:

1. Purchase and Resale of the Securities. (a) The Company agrees to issue and sell the Securities to the several Initial Purchasers as provided in this Agreement, and each Initial Purchaser, on the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements set forth herein and subject to the conditions set forth herein, agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company the respective principal amount of Securities set forth opposite such Initial Purchaser's name in Schedule 1 hereto at a price equal to 97.75% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest, if any, from August 6, 2003 to the Closing Date. The Company will not be obligated to deliver any of the Securities except upon payment for all the Securities to be purchased as provided herein.

(b) The Company understands that the Initial Purchasers intend to offer the Securities for resale on the terms set forth in the Offering Memorandum. Each Initial Purchaser, severally and not jointly, represents, warrants and agrees that:

(i) it is a qualified institutional buyer within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act (a "QIB") and an accredited investor within the meaning of Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act;

(ii) neither it, nor any affiliate referenced in Section 1(d) below, has solicited offers for, or offered or sold, and will not solicit offers for, or offer or sell, the Securities by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) of Regulation D under the Securities Act ("Regulation D") or in any manner involving a public offering within the meaning of Section 4(2) of the Securities Act; and

(iii) neither it, nor any affiliate referenced in Section 1(d) below has solicited offers for, or offered or sold, and will not solicit offers for, or offer or sell, the Securities as part of their initial offering except:

(A) within the United States to persons whom it reasonably believes to be QIBs in transactions pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act ("Rule 144A") or if any such person is buying for one or more institutional accounts for which such person is acting as a fiduciary or agent, only when such person reasonably believes that each account is a QIB, and in connection with each such sale, it has taken or will take reasonable steps to ensure that the purchaser of the Securities is aware that such sale is being made in reliance on Rule 144A; or

(B) in accordance with the restrictions set forth in Annex A hereto.

(c) Each Initial Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that the Company and, for purposes of the opinions to be delivered to the Initial Purchasers pursuant to Sections 5(f) and 5(g), counsel for the Company and counsel for the Initial Purchasers, respectively, may rely upon the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Initial Purchasers, and compliance by the Initial Purchasers with their agreements, contained in paragraph (b) above (including Annex A hereto), and each Initial Purchaser hereby consents to such reliance.

(d) The Company acknowledges and agrees that the Initial Purchasers may offer and sell Securities to or through any affiliate of an Initial Purchaser and that any such affiliate may offer and sell Securities purchased by it to or through any Initial Purchaser.

2. Payment and Delivery. (a) Payment for and delivery of the Securities shall be made at the offices of Cahill Gordon & Reindel llp at 10:00 A.M., New York City time, on August 6, 2003, or at such other time or place on the same or such other date, not later than the fifth business day thereafter, as the Representative and the Company shall agree upon in writing. The time and date of such payment and delivery is referred to herein as the "Closing Date".

(b) Payment for the Securities shall be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to the account(s) specified by the Company to the Representative against delivery to the nominee of The Depository Trust Company, for the account of the Initial Purchasers, of one or more global notes representing the Securities (collectively, the "Global Note"), with any transfer taxes payable in connection with the sale of the Securities duly paid by the Company. The Global Note will be made available for inspection by the Representative not later than 1:00 P.M., New York City time, on the business day prior to the Closing Date.

3. Representations and Warranties of the Company and the Guarantors. The Company and the Guarantors jointly and severally represent and warrant to each Initial Purchaser that:

(a) Offering Memoranda. The Preliminary Offering Memorandum, as of its date, did not, and the Offering Memorandum as of the Closing Date, will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that the Company and the Guarantors make no representation or warranty with respect to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Initial Purchaser furnished to the Company in writing by or on behalf of such Initial Purchaser for use in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum or the Offering Memorandum.

(b) Incorporated Documents. The documents incorporated by reference in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum, when filed with the Commission, conformed or will conform, as the case may be, in all material respects to the requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, and did not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

(c) Financial Statements. The financial statements and the related notes thereto included or incorporated by reference in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum present fairly the financial position of the Company and its subsidiaries as of the dates indicated and the results of their operations and the changes in their cash flows for the periods specified; such financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods covered thereby; and the other financial information included or incorporated by reference in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum has been derived from the accounting records of the Company and its subsidiaries and presents fairly the information shown thereby.

(d) No Material Adverse Change. Since the date of the most recent financial statements of the Company included or incorporated by reference in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum, (i) there has not been any change in the capital stock or long-term debt of the Company or any of its subsidiaries that is material, or any dividend or distribution of any kind declared, set aside for payment, paid or made by the Company on any class of capital stock, or any material adverse change, or any development involving a prospective material adverse change, in or affecting the business, properties, management, financial position, results of operations or prospects of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole; (ii) neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has entered into any transaction or agreement that is material to the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole or incurred any liability or obligation, direct or contingent, that is material to the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole; and (iii) neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has sustained any material loss or interference with its business from fire, explosion, flood or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance, or from any labor disturbance or dispute or any action, order or decree of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority, except in each case as otherwise disclosed in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum.

(e) Organization and Good Standing. The Company and each of its subsidiaries have been duly organized and are validly existing and in good standing under the laws of their respective jurisdictions of organization, are duly qualified to do business and are in good standing in each jurisdiction in which their respective ownership or lease of property or the conduct of their respective businesses requires such qualification, and have all power and authority necessary to own or hold their respective properties and to conduct the businesses in which they are engaged, except where the failure to be so qualified or have such power or authority would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the business, properties, management, financial position, results of operations or prospects of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole or on the performance by the Company and the Guarantors of their obligations under the Securities and the Guarantees (a "Material Adverse Effect"). The Company does not own or control, directly or indirectly, any corporation, association or other entity other than the subsidiaries listed in Schedule 3 to this Agreement.

(f) Capitalization. The Company has an authorized capitalization as set forth in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum under the heading "Capitalization"; and all the outstanding shares of capital stock or other equity interests of each subsidiary of the Company have been duly and validly authorized and issued, are fully paid and non-assessable and are owned directly or indirectly by the Company, free and clear of any lien, charge, encumbrance, security interest, restriction on voting or transfer or any other claim of any third party.

(g) Due Authorization. The Company and each of the Guarantors have full right, power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement, the Securities, the Indenture (including each Guarantee set forth therein), the Exchange Securities and the Registration Rights Agreement (collectively, the "Transaction Documents") and to perform their respective obligations hereunder and thereunder; and all action required to be taken for the due and proper authorization, execution and delivery of each of the Transaction Documents and the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby has been duly and validly taken.

(h) The Indenture. The Indenture has been duly authorized by the Company and each of the Guarantors and, when duly executed and delivered in accordance with its terms by each of the parties thereto, will constitute a valid and legally binding agreement of the Company and each of the Guarantors enforceable against the Company and each of the Guarantors in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally or by equitable principles relating to enforceability (collectively, the "Enforceability Exceptions").

(i) The Notes and the Guarantees. The Notes have been duly authorized by the Company and, when duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as provided in the Indenture and paid for as provided herein, will be duly and validly issued and outstanding and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture; and the Guarantees have been duly authorized by each of the Guarantors and, when the Notes have been duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as provided in the Indenture and paid for as provided herein, will be valid and legally binding obligations of each of the Guarantors, enforceable against each of the Guarantors in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.

(j) The Exchange Securities. On the Closing Date, the Exchange Securities and the related Guarantees will have been duly authorized by the Company, as issuer, and each of the Guarantors, as guarantors, and, when duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as contemplated by the Registration Rights Agreement, will be duly and validly issued and outstanding and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company, as issuer, and each of the Guarantors, as guarantor, enforceable against the Company and each of the Guarantors in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.

(k) Purchase and Registration Rights Agreements. This Agreement and the Registration Rights Agreement, when duly executed and delivered in accordance with their terms by each of the parties thereto, will constitute a valid and legally binding agreement of the

Company and each of the Guarantors enforceable against the Company and each of the Guarantors in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and except that rights to indemnity and contribution thereunder may be limited by applicable law and public policy.

(l) Descriptions of the Transaction Documents. Each Transaction Document conforms in all material respects to the description thereof contained in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum.

(m) No Violation or Default. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is (i) in violation of its charter or by-laws or similar organizational documents; (ii) in default, and no event has occurred that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default, in the due performance or observance of any term, covenant or condition contained in any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other 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 or to which any of the property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is subject; or (iii) in violation of any law or statute or any judgment, order, rule or regulation of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority, except, in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) above, for any such default or violation that would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

(n) No Conflicts. The execution, delivery and performance by the Company and each of the Guarantors of each of the Transaction Documents to which each is a party, the issuance and sale of the Securities (including the Guarantees) and compliance by the Company and each of the Guarantors with the terms thereof and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents will not (i) conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries pursuant to, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other 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 or to which any of the property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is subject, (ii) result in any violation of the provisions of the charter or by-laws or similar organizational documents of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or (iii) result in the violation of any law or statute or any judgment, order, rule or regulation of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority, except, in the case of clauses (i) and (iii) above, for any such conflict, breach or violation that would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

(o) No Consents Required. No consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority is required for the execution, delivery and performance by the Company and each of the

Guarantors of each of the Transaction Documents to which each is a party, the issuance and sale of the Securities (including the Guarantees) and compliance by the Company and each of the Guarantors with the terms thereof and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents, except for such consents, approvals, authorizations, orders and registrations or qualifications as may be required (i) under applicable state securities laws in connection with the purchase and resale of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers and (ii) with respect to the Exchange Securities (including the related guarantees) under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws as contemplated by the Registration Rights Agreement.

(p) Legal Proceedings. Except as described in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum, there are no legal, governmental or regulatory investigations, actions, suits or proceedings pending to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is or may be a party or to which any property of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is or may be the subject that, individually or in the aggregate, if determined adversely to the Company or any of its subsidiaries, would have a Material Adverse Effect; and no such investigations, actions, suits or proceedings are threatened or, to the best knowledge of the Company and each of the Guarantors, contemplated by any governmental or regulatory authority or threatened by others.

(q) Independent Accountants. Ernst & Young LLP, who have certified certain financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries are, to the Company's knowledge, independent public accountants with respect to the Company and its subsidiaries within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Professional Conduct of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and its interpretations and rulings thereunder.

(r) Title to Real and Personal Property. The Company and its subsidiaries have good and marketable title to, or have valid rights to lease or otherwise use, all items of real and personal property that are material to the respective businesses of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole, in each case free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, claims and defects and imperfections of title except those that (i) are disclosed in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum or Offering Memorandum or (ii) would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

(s) Title to Intellectual Property. The Company and its subsidiaries own or possess adequate rights to use, or can acquire on reasonable terms, all material patents, patent applications, trademarks, service marks, trade names, trademark registrations, service mark registrations, copyrights, licenses and know-how (including trade secrets and other unpatented and/or unpatentable proprietary or confidential information, systems or procedures) currently employed by them in connection with their respective businesses as currently operated, and the Company and its subsidiaries have not received any notice of any claim of in-

fringement of or conflict with any such rights of others that would, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

(t) Investment Company Act. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is an "investment company" or an entity "controlled" by an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, "Investment Company Act").

(u) Public Utility Holding Company Act. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is a "holding company" or a "subsidiary company" of a holding company or an "affiliate" thereof within the meaning of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended.

(v) Licenses and Permits. The Company and its subsidiaries possess all licenses, certificates, permits and other authorizations issued by, and have made all declarations and filings with, the appropriate federal, state, local or foreign governmental or regulatory authorities that are necessary for the ownership or lease of their respective properties or the conduct of their respective businesses as described in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum, except where the failure to possess or make the same would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect; and except as described in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum, neither the Company nor, to the Company's knowledge, any of its subsidiaries has received notice of any revocation or modification of any such license, certificate, permit or authorization or has any reason to believe that any such license, certificate, permit or authorization will not be renewed in the ordinary course.

(w) No Labor Disputes. No material labor disturbance by or dispute with employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries exists or, to the best knowledge of the Company and each of the Guarantors, is contemplated or threatened.

(x) Compliance With Environmental Laws. The Company and its subsidiaries (i) are in compliance with any and all applicable federal, state, local and foreign laws, rules, regulations, decisions and orders relating to the protection of human health and safety, the environment or hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants (collectively, "Environmental Laws"); (ii) have received and are in material compliance with all permits, licenses or other approvals required of them under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their respective businesses; and (iii) have not received notice of any actual or potential liability for the investigation or remediation of any disposal or release of hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants, except in the case of clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, as would not, individually or in the aggregate, be reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(y) Compliance With ERISA. Each employee benefit plan, within the meaning of Section 3(3) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), that is maintained, administered or contributed to by the Company or any of its affiliates for employees or former employees of the Company and its affiliates has been maintained in material compliance with its terms and the requirements of any applicable statutes, orders, rules and regulations, including but not limited to ERISA and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"); no prohibited transaction, within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, has occurred, that would have a Material Adverse Effect, individually or in the aggregate, on the Company, with respect to any such plan excluding transactions effected pursuant to a statutory or administrative exemption; and for each such plan that is subject to the funding rules of Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA; no "accumulated funding deficiency" as defined in Section 412 of the Code has been incurred, whether or not waived.

(z) Accounting Controls. The Company and its subsidiaries maintain systems of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorizations; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and to maintain asset accountability; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; and (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences.

(aa) Insurance. The Company and its subsidiaries have insurance covering their respective properties, operations, personnel and businesses, which the Company believes is in amounts and insures against such losses and risks as are prudent and customary in the businesses in which they are engaged; and neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has any reason to believe that it will not be able to renew or obtain replacement insurance coverage as and when such coverage expires.

(bb) No Restrictions on Subsidiaries. No subsidiary of the Company is currently prohibited, directly or indirectly, under any agreement or other instrument to which it is a party or is subject, from paying any dividends to the Company, from making any other distribution on such subsidiary's capital stock, from repaying to the Company any loans or advances to such subsidiary from the Company or from transferring any of such subsidiary's properties or assets to the Company or any other subsidiary of the Company.

(cc) No Broker's Fees. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is a party to any contract, agreement or understanding with any person (other than this Agreement) that would give rise to a valid claim against any Initial Purchaser for a brokerage com-

mission, finder's fee or like payment in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities.

(dd) Rule 144A Eligibility. On the Closing Date, the Securities will not be of the same class as securities listed on a national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Exchange Act or quoted in an automated inter-dealer quotation system; and each of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum, as of its respective date, contains or will contain all the information that, if requested by a prospective purchaser of the Securities, would be required to be provided to such prospective purchaser pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

(ee) No Integration. Neither the Company nor any of its affiliates (as defined in Rule 501(b) of Regulation D) has, directly or through any agent, sold, offered for sale, solicited offers to buy or otherwise negotiated in respect of, any security (as defined in the Securities Act), that is or will be integrated with the sale of the Securities in a manner that would require registration of the Securities under the Securities Act.

(ff) No General Solicitation or Directed Selling Efforts. None of the Company or any of its affiliates or any other person acting on its or their behalf (other than the Initial Purchasers, as to which no representation is made) has (i) solicited offers for, or offered or sold, the Securities by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) of Regulation D or in any manner involving a public offering within the meaning of Section 4(2) of the Securities Act or (ii) engaged in any directed selling efforts within the meaning of Regulation S under the Securities Act ("Regulation S"), and all such persons have complied with the offering restrictions requirement of Regulation S.

(gg) Securities Law Exemptions. Assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Initial Purchasers contained in Section 1(b) (including Annex A hereto) and their compliance with their agreements set forth therein, it is not necessary, in connection with the issuance and sale of the Securities to the Initial Purchasers and the offer, resale and delivery of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers in the manner contemplated by this Agreement and the Offering Memorandum, to register the Securities under the Securities Act or to qualify the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act.

(hh) No Stabilization. Neither the Company nor any of the Guarantors has taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that would reasonably be expected to cause or result in any stabilization or manipulation of the price of the Securities.

(ii) Margin Rules. Neither the issuance, sale and delivery of the Securities nor the application of the proceeds thereof by the Company as described in the Offering

Memorandum will violate Regulation T, U or X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

(jj) Forward-Looking Statements. No forward-looking statement (within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act) contained in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum has been made or reaffirmed without a reasonable basis or has been disclosed other than in good faith.

4. Further Agreements of the Company and the Guarantors. The Company and each of the Guarantors jointly and severally covenant and agree with each Initial Purchaser that:

(a) Delivery of Copies. The Company will deliver to the Initial Purchasers as many copies of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum (including all amendments and supplements thereto) as the Representative may reasonably request.

(b) Amendments or Supplements. Before making or distributing any amendment or supplement to the Preliminary Offering Memorandum or the Offering Memorandum or filing with the Commission any document that will be incorporated by reference therein, the Company will furnish to the Representative and counsel for the Initial Purchasers a copy of the proposed amendment or supplement or document to be incorporated by reference therein for review, and will not distribute any such proposed amendment or supplement or file any such document with the Commission to which the Representative reasonably objects.

(c) Notice to the Representative. Prior to completion of the resale of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers, the Company will advise the Representative promptly, and, if requested, confirm such advice in writing, (i) of the issuance by any governmental or regulatory authority of any order preventing or suspending the use of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum or the Offering Memorandum or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for that purpose; (ii) of the occurrence of any event a result of which the Offering Memorandum as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Offering Memorandum is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading; and (iii) of the receipt by the Company of any notice with respect to any suspension of the qualification of the Securities for offer and sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose; and the Company will use its reasonable best efforts to prevent the issuance of any such order preventing or suspending the use of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum or the Offering Memorandum or suspending any such

qualification of the Securities and, if any such order is issued, to obtain as soon as possible the withdrawal thereof.

(d) Ongoing Compliance of the Offering Memorandum. If at any time prior to the completion of the initial offering of the Securities (i) any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which the Offering Memorandum as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Offering Memorandum is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading or (ii) it is necessary to amend or supplement the Offering Memorandum to comply with law, the Company will immediately notify the Initial Purchasers thereof and forthwith prepare and, subject to paragraph (b) above, furnish to the Initial Purchasers such amendments or supplements to the Offering Memorandum (or any document to be filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference therein) as may be necessary so that the statements in the Offering Memorandum as so amended or supplemented (or including such document to be incorporated by reference therein) will not, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Offering Memorandum is delivered to a purchaser, be misleading or so that the Offering Memorandum will comply with law.

(e) Blue Sky Compliance. The Company will qualify the Securities for offer and sale under the securities or Blue Sky laws of such jurisdictions as the Representative shall reasonably request and will continue such qualifications in effect so long as required for the offering and resale of the Securities; provided that neither the Company nor any of the Guarantors shall be required to (i) qualify as a foreign corporation or other entity or as a dealer in securities in any such jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to so qualify, (ii) file any general consent to service of process in any such jurisdiction or (iii) subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction if it is not otherwise so subject.

(f) Clear Market. During the period from the date hereof through and including the date that is 90 days after the date hereof, the Company and each of the Guarantors will not, without the prior written consent of the Representative, offer, sell, contract to sell or otherwise dispose of any debt securities issued or guaranteed by the Company or any of the Guarantors and having a tenor of more than one year.

(g) Use of Proceeds. The Company will apply the net proceeds from the sale of the Securities as described in the Offering Memorandum under the heading "Use of proceeds".

(h) Supplying Information. While the Securities remain outstanding and are "restricted securities" within the meaning of Rule 144(a)(3) under the Securities Act, the Company and each of the Guarantors will, during any period in which the Company is not

subject to and in compliance with Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, furnish to holders of the Securities and prospective purchasers of the Securities designated by such holders, upon the request of such holders or such prospective purchasers, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

(i) PORTAL and DTC. The Company will assist the Initial Purchasers in arranging for the Securities to be designated Private Offerings, Resales and Trading through Automated Linkages ("PORTAL") Market securities in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") relating to trading in the PORTAL Market and for the Securities to be eligible for clearance and settlement through The Depository Trust Company ("DTC").

(j) No Resales by the Company. Until the issuance of the Exchange Securities, the Company will not, and will not permit any of its affiliates (as defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act) to, resell any of the Securities that have been acquired by any of them, except for Securities purchased by the Company or any of its affiliates and resold in a transaction registered under the Securities Act.

(k) No Integration. Neither the Company nor any of its affiliates (as defined in Rule 501(b) of Regulation D) will, directly or through any agent, sell, offer for sale, solicit offers to buy or otherwise negotiate in respect of, any security (as defined in the Securities Act), that is or will be integrated with the sale of the Securities in a manner that would require registration of the Securities under the Securities Act.

(l) No General Solicitation or Directed Selling Efforts. None of the Company or any of its affiliates or any other person acting on its or their behalf (other than the Initial Purchasers, as to which no covenant is given) will (i) solicit offers for, or offer or sell, the Securities by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) of Regulation D or in any manner involving a public offering within the meaning of Section 4(2) of the Securities Act or (ii) engage in any directed selling efforts within the meaning of Regulation S, and all such persons will comply with the offering restrictions requirement of Regulation S.

(m) No Stabilization. Neither the Company nor any of the Guarantors will take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that would reasonably be expected to cause or result in any stabilization or manipulation of the price of the Securities.

5. Conditions of Initial Purchasers' Obligations. The obligation of each Initial Purchaser to purchase Securities on the Closing Date as provided herein is subject to the performance by the Company and each of the Guarantors of their respective covenants and other obligations hereunder and to the following additional conditions:

(a) Representations and Warranties. The representations and warranties of the Company and the Guarantors contained herein shall be true and correct on the date hereof and on and as of the Closing Date; and the statements of the Company, the Guarantors and their respective officers made in any certificates delivered pursuant to this Agreement shall be true and correct on and as of the Closing Date.

(b) No Downgrade. Subsequent to the execution and delivery of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Date, (i) no downgrading shall have occurred in the rating accorded the Securities or any other debt securities or preferred stock issued or guaranteed by the Company or any of the Guarantors by any "nationally recognized statistical rating" organization, as such term is defined by the Commission for purposes of Rule 436(g)(2) under the Securities Act; and (ii) no such organization shall have publicly announced that it has under surveillance or review, or has changed its outlook with respect to, its rating of the Securities or of any other debt securities or preferred stock issued or guaranteed by the Company or any of the Guarantors (other than an announcement with positive implications of a possible upgrading).

(c) No Material Adverse Change. Subsequent to the execution and delivery of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Date, no event or condition of a type described in Section 3(d) hereof shall have occurred or shall exist, which event or condition is not described in the Offering Memorandum (excluding any amendment or supplement thereto or any document filed with the Commission after the date hereof and incorporated by reference therein) and the effect of which in the judgment of the Representative makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the offering, sale or delivery of the Securities on the terms and in the manner contemplated by this Agreement and the Offering Memorandum.

(d) Officer's Certificate. The Representative shall have received on and as of the Closing Date a certificate of an executive officer of the Company and of each Guarantor who has specific knowledge of the Company's or such Guarantor's financial matters (i) confirming that to the knowledge of such officer, the representation set forth in Section 3(a) hereof is true and correct, (ii) confirming that the other representations and warranties of the Company and the Guarantors in this Agreement are true and correct and that the Company and the Guarantors have complied with all agreements and satisfied all conditions on their part to be performed or satisfied hereunder at or prior to the Closing Date and (iii) to the effect set forth in paragraphs (b) and (c) above.

(e) Comfort Letters. On the date of this Agreement and on the Closing Date, Ernst & Young LLP shall have furnished to the Representative, at the request of the Company, letters, dated the respective dates of delivery thereof and addressed to the Initial Purchasers, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representative, containing statements and information of the type customarily included in accountants' "comfort letters"

to underwriters with respect to the financial statements and certain financial information contained in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum; provided that the letter delivered on the Closing Date shall use a "cut-off" date no more than three business days prior to the Closing Date.

(f) Opinion of Counsel for the Company. Reed Smith LLP, counsel for the Company, shall have furnished to the Representative, at the request of the Company, their written opinion, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Initial Purchasers, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representative, to the effect set forth in Annex B hereto.

(g) Opinion of Counsel for the Initial Purchasers. The Representative shall have received on and as of the Closing Date an opinion of Cahill Gordon & Reindel llp, counsel for the Initial Purchasers, with respect to such matters as the Representative may reasonably request, and such counsel shall have received such documents and information as they may reasonably request to enable them to pass upon such matters.

(h) No Legal Impediment to Issuance. No action shall have been taken and no statute, rule, regulation or order shall have been enacted, adopted or issued by any federal, state or foreign governmental or regulatory authority that would, as of the Closing Date, prevent the issuance or sale of the Securities or the issuance of the Guarantees; and no injunction or order of any federal, state or foreign court shall have been issued that would, as of the Closing Date, prevent the issuance or sale of the Securities or the issuance of the Guarantees.

(i) Good Standing. The Representative shall have received on and as of the Closing Date satisfactory evidence of the good standing of the Company and each of the Guarantors in their respective jurisdictions of organization, in each case in writing or any standard form of telecommunication, from the appropriate governmental authorities of such jurisdictions.

(j) Registration Rights Agreement. The Initial Purchasers shall have received a counterpart of the Registration Rights Agreement that shall have been executed and delivered by a duly authorized officer of the Company and each of the Guarantors.

(k) Indenture. The Indenture shall have been duly executed and delivered by the Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee, and the Securities shall have been duly executed and delivered by the Company and the Guarantors and duly authenticated by the Trustee.

(l) PORTAL and DTC. The Securities shall have been approved by the NASD for trading in the PORTAL Market and shall be eligible for clearance and settlement through DTC.

(m) Additional Documents. On or prior to the Closing Date, the Company and the Guarantors shall have furnished to the Representative such further certificates and documents as the Representative may reasonably request.

All opinions, letters, certificates and evidence mentioned above or elsewhere in this Agreement shall be deemed to be in compliance with the provisions hereof only if they are in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to counsel for the Initial Purchasers.

6. Indemnification and Contribution.

(a) Indemnification of the Initial Purchasers. The Company and each of the Guarantors jointly and severally agree to indemnify and hold harmless each Initial Purchaser, its affiliates, officers, directors, employees, representatives and agents and each person, if any, who controls such Initial Purchaser within the meaning of either Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), from and against any and all losses, claims, damages and liabilities (including, without limitation, any legal or other expenses incurred in connection with any suit, action or proceeding or any claim asserted, as such fees and expenses are incurred), joint or several, that arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum or the Offering Memorandum (or any amendment or supplement thereto) or caused by any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, except insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to any Initial Purchaser furnished to the Company in writing by such Initial Purchaser through the Representative expressly for use therein; provided, that with respect to any such untrue statement in or omission from the Preliminary Offering Memorandum, the indemnity agreement contained in this paragraph (a) shall not inure to the benefit of any Initial Purchaser to the extent that the sale to the person asserting any such loss, claim, damage or liability was an initial resale by such Initial Purchaser and any such loss, claim, damage or liability of or with respect to such Initial Purchaser results from the fact that both (i) a copy of the Offering Memorandum (excluding any documents incorporated by reference therein) was not sent or given to such person at or prior to the written confirmation of the sale of such Securities to such person and (ii) the untrue statement in or omission from such Preliminary Offering Memorandum was corrected in the Offering Memorandum unless, in either case, such failure to deliver the

Offering Memorandum was a result of non-compliance by the Company with the provisions of Section 4 hereof.

(b) Indemnification of the Company. Each Initial Purchaser agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, each of the Guarantors, their respective directors, officers and each person, if any, who controls the Company or any of the Guarantors within the meaning of either Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act to the same extent as the indemnity set forth in paragraph (a) above, but only with respect to any losses, claims, damages or liabilities that arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to such Initial Purchaser furnished to the Company in writing by or on behalf of such Initial Purchaser for use in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum (or any amendment or supplement thereto), it being understood and agreed that the only such information consists of the following: the third paragraph and the fifth sentence of the eighth paragraph under "Plan of distribution."

(c) Notice and Procedures. If any suit, action, proceeding (including any governmental or regulatory investigation), claim or demand shall be brought or asserted against any person in respect of which indemnification may be sought pursuant to either paragraph (a) or (b) above, such person (the "Indemnified Person") shall promptly notify the person against whom such indemnification may be sought (the "Indemnifying Person") in writing; provided that the failure to notify the Indemnifying Person shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have under this Section 6 except to the extent that it has been materially prejudiced (through the forfeiture of substantive rights or defenses) by such failure; and provided, further, that the failure to notify the Indemnifying Person shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have to an Indemnified Person otherwise than under this Section 6. If any such proceeding shall be brought or asserted against an Indemnified Person and it shall have notified the Indemnifying Person thereof, the Indemnifying Person shall retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person to represent the Indemnified Person and any others entitled to indemnification pursuant to this Section 6 that the Indemnifying Person may designate in such proceeding and shall pay the fees and expenses of such counsel related to such proceeding, as incurred. In any such proceeding, any Indemnified Person shall have the right to retain its own counsel, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such Indemnified Person unless (i) the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person shall have mutually agreed to the contrary; (ii) the Indemnifying Person has failed within a reasonable time to retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person; (iii) the Indemnified Person shall have reasonably concluded that there may be legal defenses available to it that are different from or in addition to those available to the Indemnifying Person; or (iv) the named parties in any such proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both the In-

demnifying Person and the Indemnified Person and the Indemnified Person is advised by counsel that representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interests between them. It is understood and agreed that the Indemnifying Person shall not, in connection with any proceeding or related proceeding in the same jurisdiction, be liable for the fees and expenses of more than one separate firm (in addition to any local counsel) for all Indemnified Persons, and that all such fees and expenses shall be reimbursed as they are incurred. Any such separate firm for any Initial Purchaser, its affiliates, directors and officers and any control persons of such Initial Purchaser shall be designated in writing by J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and any such separate firm for the Company, the Guarantors and any control persons of the Company and the Guarantors shall be designated in writing by the Company. The Indemnifying Person shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, the Indemnifying Person agrees to indemnify each Indemnified Person from and against any loss or liability by reason of such settlement or judgment. No Indemnifying Person shall, without the written consent of the Indemnified Person, effect any settlement of any pending or threatened proceeding in respect of which any Indemnified Person is or could have been a party and indemnification could have been sought hereunder by such Indemnified Person, unless such settlement (x) includes an unconditional release of such Indemnified Person, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to such Indemnified Person, from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such proceeding and (y) does not include any statement as to or any admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of any Indemnified Person.

(d) Contribution. If the indemnification provided for in paragraphs (a) and (b) above is unavailable to an Indemnified Person or insufficient in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to therein, then each Indemnifying Person under such paragraph, in lieu of indemnifying such Indemnified Person thereunder, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such Indemnified Person as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Initial Purchasers on the other from the offering of the Securities or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) but also the relative fault of the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Initial Purchasers on the other in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Initial Purchasers on the other shall be deemed to be in the same respective proportions as the net proceeds (before deducting expenses) received by the Company from the sale of the Securities and the total discounts and commissions received by the Initial Purchasers in connection therewith, as provided in this Agreement, bear to the ag-

gregate offering price of the Securities. The relative fault of the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Initial Purchasers on the other shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company or any Guarantor or by the Initial Purchasers and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission.

(e) Limitation on Liability. The Company, the Guarantors and the Initial Purchasers agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 6 were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Initial Purchasers were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation that does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in paragraph (d) above. The amount paid or payable by an Indemnified Person as a result of the losses, claims, damages and liabilities referred to in paragraph (d) above shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth above, any legal or other expenses incurred by such Indemnified Person in connection with any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 6, in no event shall an Initial Purchaser be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total discounts and commissions received by such Initial Purchaser with respect to the offering of the Securities exceeds the amount of any damages that such Initial Purchaser 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 guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Initial Purchasers' obligations to contribute pursuant to this Section 6 are several in proportion to their respective purchase obligations hereunder and not joint.

(f) Non-Exclusive Remedies. The remedies provided for in this Section 6 are not exclusive and shall not limit any rights or remedies that may otherwise be available to any Indemnified Person at law or in equity.

7. Termination. This Agreement may be terminated in the absolute discretion of the Representative, by notice to the Company, if after the execution and delivery of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Date (i) trading generally shall have been suspended or materially limited on the New York Stock Exchange or the over-the-counter market; (ii) trading of any securities issued or guaranteed by the Company or any of the Guarantors shall have been suspended on any exchange or in any over-the-counter market; (iii) a general moratorium on commercial banking activities shall have been declared by federal or New York State authorities; or (iv) there shall have occurred any outbreak or escalation of hostilities or any change in financial markets or any calamity or crisis, either within or outside the United States, that, in the judgment of the Representative, is material and adverse and makes it im-

practicable or inadvisable to proceed with the offering, sale or delivery of the Securities on the terms and in the manner contemplated by this Agreement and the Offering Memorandum.

8. Defaulting Initial Purchaser. (a) If, on the Closing Date, any Initial Purchaser defaults on its obligation to purchase the Securities that it has agreed to purchase hereunder, the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers may in their discretion arrange for the purchase of such Securities by other persons satisfactory to the Company on the terms contained in this Agreement. If, within 36 hours after any such default by any Initial Purchaser, the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers do not arrange for the purchase of such Securities, then the Company shall be entitled to a further period of 36 hours within which to procure other persons satisfactory to the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers to purchase such Securities on such terms. If other persons become obligated or agree to purchase the Securities of a defaulting Initial Purchaser, either the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers or the Company may postpone the Closing Date for up to five full business days in order to effect any changes that in the opinion of counsel for the Company or counsel for the Initial Purchasers may be necessary in the Offering Memorandum or in any other document or arrangement, and the Company agrees to promptly prepare any amendment or supplement to the Offering Memorandum that effects any such changes. As used in this Agreement, the term "Initial Purchaser" includes, for all purposes of this Agreement unless the context otherwise requires, any person not listed in Schedule 1 hereto that, pursuant to this Section 8, purchases Securities that a defaulting Initial Purchaser agreed but failed to purchase.

(b) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Securities of a defaulting Initial Purchaser or Initial Purchasers by the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers and the Company as provided in paragraph (a) above, the aggregate principal amount of such Securities that remains unpurchased does not exceed one-eleventh of the aggregate principal amount of all the Securities, then the Company shall have the right to require each non-defaulting Initial Purchaser to purchase the principal amount of Securities that such Initial Purchaser agreed to purchase hereunder plus such Initial Purchaser's pro rata share (based on the principal amount of Securities that such Initial Purchaser agreed to purchase hereunder) of the Securities of such defaulting Initial Purchaser or Initial Purchasers for which such arrangements have not been made.

(c) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Securities of a defaulting Initial Purchaser or Initial Purchasers by the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers and the Company as provided in paragraph (a) above, the aggregate principal amount of such Securities that remains unpurchased exceeds one-eleventh of the aggregate principal amount of all the Securities, or if the Company shall not exercise the right described in paragraph (b) above, then this Agreement shall terminate without liability on the part of the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers. Any termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 8 shall be without liability on the part of the Company or the Guarantors, except that the Com-

pany and each of the Guarantors will continue to be liable for the payment of expenses as set forth in Section 9 hereof and except that the provisions of Section 6 hereof shall not terminate and shall remain in effect.

(d) Nothing contained herein shall relieve a defaulting Initial Purchaser of any liability it may have to the Company, the Guarantors or any non-defaulting Initial Purchaser for damages caused by its default.

9. Payment of Expenses. (a) Whether or not the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are consummated or this Agreement is terminated, the Company and each of the Guarantors jointly and severally agree to pay or cause to be paid all costs and expenses incident to the performance of their respective obligations hereunder, including without limitation, (i) the costs incident to the authorization, issuance, sale, preparation and delivery of the Securities and any taxes payable in that connection; (ii) the costs incident to the preparation and printing of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum (including any amendment or supplement thereto) and the distribution thereof; (iii) the costs of reproducing and distributing each of the Transaction Documents; (iv) the fees and expenses of the Company's and the Guarantors' counsel and independent accountants; (v) the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the registration or qualification and determination of eligibility for investment of the Securities under the laws of such jurisdictions as the Representative may designate and the preparation, printing and distribution of a Blue Sky Memorandum (including the related fees and expenses of counsel for the Initial Purchasers); (vi) any fees charged by rating agencies for rating the Securities; (vii) the fees and expenses of the Trustee and any paying agent (including related fees and expenses of any counsel to such parties); (viii) all expenses and application fees incurred in connection with the application for the inclusion of the Securities on the PORTAL Market and the approval of the Securities for book-entry transfer by DTC; and (ix) all expenses incurred by the Company in connection with any "road show" presentation to potential investors.

(b) If (i) this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 7, (ii) the Company for any reason fails to tender the Securities for delivery to the Initial Purchasers or (iii) the Initial Purchasers decline to purchase the Securities for any reason permitted under this Agreement, the Company and each of the Guarantors jointly and severally agrees to reimburse the Initial Purchasers for all out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including the fees and expenses of their counsel) reasonably incurred by the Initial Purchasers in connection with this Agreement and the offering contemplated hereby.

10. Persons Entitled to Benefit of Agreement. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and any controlling persons referred to herein, and the affiliates, officers and directors of each Initial Purchaser referred to in Section 6 hereof. Nothing in this Agreement is intended or shall

be construed to give any other person any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or in respect of this Agreement or any provision contained herein. No purchaser of Securities from any Initial Purchaser shall be deemed to be a successor merely by reason of such purchase.

11. Survival. The respective indemnities, rights of contribution, representations, warranties and agreements of the Company, the Guarantors and the Initial Purchasers contained in this Agreement or made by or on behalf of the Company, the Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers pursuant to this Agreement or any certificate delivered pursuant hereto shall survive the delivery of and payment for the Securities and shall remain in full force and effect, regardless of any termination of this Agreement or any investigation made by or on behalf of the Company, the Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers.

12. Certain Defined Terms. For purposes of this Agreement, (a) except where otherwise expressly provided, the term "affiliate" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act; (b) the term "business day" means any day other than a day on which banks are permitted or required to be closed in New York City; (c) the term "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and (d) the term "subsidiary" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

13. Miscellaneous. (a) Authority of the Representative. Any action by the Initial Purchasers hereunder may be taken by J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. on behalf of the Initial Purchasers, and any such action taken by J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. shall be binding upon the Initial Purchasers.

(b) Notices. All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if mailed or transmitted and confirmed by any standard form of telecommunication. Notices to the Initial Purchasers shall be given to the Representative c/o J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., 270 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10017 (fax: (212) 270-1063); Attention: Donald R. Benson. Notices to the Company and the Guarantors shall be given to them at Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation, 1001 Air Brake Avenue, Wilmerding, Pennsylvania 15148, (fax: (412) 825-1156); Attention: Mr. Alvaro Garcia-Tunon.

(c) Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

(d) Counterparts. This Agreement may be signed in counterparts (which may include counterparts delivered by any standard form of telecommunication), each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

(e) Amendments or Waivers. No amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement, nor any consent or approval to any departure therefrom, shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be in writing and signed by the parties hereto.

(f) Headings. The headings herein are included for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be part of, or to affect the meaning or interpretation of, this Agreement.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding, please indicate your acceptance of this Agreement by signing in the space provided below.

Very truly yours,

The Issuer:

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE
TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

By: /s/ Alvaro Garcia-Tunon

Name: Alvaro Garcia-Tunon
Title: Senior Vice President

The Guarantors:

MOTIVEPOWER, INC.
RAILROAD FRICTION PRODUCTS CORPORATION
RFPC HOLDING CORPORATION
WABTEC CORPORATION
WABTEC DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
WABTEC HOLDING CORP.
WABTEC TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
YOUNG TOUCHSTONE COMPANY

By: /s/ Alvaro Garcia-Tunon

Name: Alvaro Garcia-Tunon
Title: Vice President

Accepted as of the date first written above.

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES INC.

For itself and on behalf of the
several Initial Purchasers listed in
Schedule 1 hereto.

By: /s/ Benjamin Ben-Attar

Authorized Signatory
Name: Benjamin Ben-Attar
Title: Vice-President

Schedule 1

Initial Purchaser -----	Principal Amount -----
J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.	\$ 60,000,000
Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated	\$ 30,000,000
BNY Capital Markets, Inc.	\$ 15,000,000
Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc.	\$ 15,000,000
ABN AMRO Incorporated	\$ 7,500,000
BB&T Capital Markets, a division of Scott & Stringfellow, Inc.	\$ 7,500,000
NatCity Investments, Inc.	\$ 7,500,000
PNC Capital Markets, Inc.	\$ 7,500,000

Total	\$ 150,000,000

Guarantors

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MotivePower, Inc.

Railroad Friction Products Corporation

RFPC Holding Corporation

Wabtec Corporation

Wabtec Distribution Company

Wabtec Holding Corp.

Wabtec Transportation Technologies, Inc.

Young Touchstone Company

Subsidiaries

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Allied Friction Products Australia Pty Ltd.

Cobra Europe S.A.

Evand Pty, Ltd.

F.I.P. Pty Ltd.

H.P. srl

Jinhu Control Systems Co., Ltd.

Milufab Inc.

MotivePower Foreign Sales Corporation

MotivePower, Inc.

Pioneer Friction Limited

Railroad Friction Products Corp.

RFPC Holding Corporation

Stone U.K. Limited

Vapor Rail Inc.

Vapor Stone U.K. Limited

Wabco Freight Car Products Limited

Wabtec de Mexico, S.A. de R.L. de C.V.

Wabtec Australia Pty Limited

Wabtec Corporation

Wabtec Distribution Company

Wabtec Foundry Limited

Wabtec Holding Corp.

Wabtec Rail Limited

Wabtec Railway Electronics Corporation

Wabtec Railway Products India Private Ltd.

Wabtec Servicios Administrativos, S.A. de C.V.

Wabtec Transportation Technologies, Inc.

Westinghouse Int'l Corporation

Westinghouse Railway Holdings (Canada), Inc.

Young Touchstone Company

Restrictions on Offers and Sales Outside the United States

In connection with offers and sales of Securities outside the United States:

(a) Each Initial Purchaser acknowledges that the Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except pursuant to an exemption from, or in transactions not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

(b) Each Initial Purchaser, severally and not jointly, represents, warrants and agrees that:

(i) Such Initial Purchaser has offered and sold the Securities, and will offer and sell the Securities, (A) as part of their distribution at any time and (B) otherwise until 40 days after the later of the commencement of the offering of the Securities and the Closing Date, only in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act ("Regulation S") or Rule 144A or any other available exemption from registration under the Securities Act.

(ii) None of such Initial Purchaser or any of its affiliates or any other person acting on its or their behalf has engaged or will engage in any directed selling efforts with respect to the Securities, and all such persons have complied and will comply with the offering restrictions requirement of Regulation S.

(iii) At or prior to the confirmation of sale of any Securities sold in reliance on Regulation S, such Initial Purchaser will have sent to each distributor, dealer or other person receiving a selling concession, fee or other remuneration that purchase Securities from it during the distribution compliance period a confirmation or notice to substantially the following effect:

"The Securities covered hereby have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons (i) as part of their distribution at any time or (ii) otherwise until 40 days after the later of the commencement of the offering of the Securities and the date of original issuance of the Securities, except in accordance with Regulation S or Rule 144A or any other available

exemption from registration under the Securities Act. Terms used above have the meanings given to them by Regulation S."

(iv) Such Initial Purchaser has not and will not enter into any contractual arrangement with any distributor with respect to the distribution of the Securities, except with its affiliates or with the prior written consent of the Company.

Terms used in paragraph (a) and this paragraph (b) and not otherwise defined in this Agreement have the meanings given to them by Regulation S.

(c) Each Initial Purchaser, severally and not jointly, represents, warrants and agrees that:

(i) it has not offered or sold and, prior to the date six months after the Closing Date, will not offer or sell any Securities to persons in the United Kingdom except to persons whose ordinary activities involve them in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of their businesses or otherwise in circumstances which have not resulted and will not result in an offer to the public in the United Kingdom within the meaning of the United Kingdom Public Offers of Securities Regulations 1995 (as amended);

(ii) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the United Kingdom Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "FSMA")) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Securities in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Company or the Guarantors; and

(iii) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

(d) Each Initial Purchaser acknowledges that no action has been or will be taken by the Company that would permit a public offering of the Securities, or possession or distribution of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum, the Offering Memorandum or any other offering or publicity material relating to the Securities, in any country or jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required.

[Form of Opinion of Counsel for the Company]

(a) The Company and each of its subsidiaries have been duly organized and are validly existing and in good standing under the laws of their respective jurisdictions of organization, are duly qualified to do business and are in good standing in each jurisdiction in which their respective ownership or lease of property or the conduct of their respective businesses requires such qualification, and have all power and authority necessary to own or hold their respective properties and to conduct the businesses in which they are engaged, except where the failure to be so qualified or have such power or authority would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) The Company has an authorized capitalization as set forth in the Offering Memorandum under the heading "Capitalization"; and all the outstanding shares of capital stock or other equity interests of each subsidiary of the Company have been duly and validly authorized and issued, are fully paid and non-assessable.

(c) The Company and each of the Guarantors have full right, power and authority to execute and deliver each of the Transaction Documents to which each is a party and to perform their respective obligations thereunder; and all action required to be taken for the due and proper authorization, execution and delivery of each of the Transaction Documents and the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby has been duly and validly taken.

(d) The Indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and each of the Guarantors and, assuming due execution and delivery thereof by the Trustee, constitutes a valid and legally binding agreement of the Company and each of the Guarantors enforceable against the Company and each of the Guarantors in accordance with its terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions; and the Indenture conforms in all material respects with the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission applicable to an indenture that is qualified thereunder.

(e) The Notes have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and, when duly authenticated as provided in the Indenture and paid for as provided in this Agreement, will be duly and validly issued and outstanding and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture; and the Guarantees have been duly authorized by each of the Guarantors and, when the Notes have been duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as provided in the Indenture and paid for as provided in this Agreement, will be valid and legally binding obligations of each of the Guarantors, enforceable against each of the Guarantors in

accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.

(f) The Exchange Securities (including the related guarantees) have been duly authorized by the Company and each of the Guarantors and, when duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as contemplated by the Registration Rights Agreement, will be duly and validly issued and outstanding and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company, as issuer, and each of the Guarantors, as guarantor, enforceable against the Company and each of the Guarantors in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.

(g) The Purchase Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and the Guarantors; and the Registration Rights Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and each of the Guarantors and, when duly executed and delivered by the other parties thereto, will constitute a valid and legally binding agreement of the Company and each of the Guarantors enforceable against the Company and each of the Guarantors in accordance with its terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and except that rights to indemnity and contribution thereunder may be limited by applicable law and public policy.

(h) Each Transaction Document conforms in all material respects to the description thereof contained in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum.

(i) The execution, delivery and performance by the Company and each of the Guarantors of each of the Transaction Documents to which each is a party, the issuance and sale of the Securities (including the Guarantees) and compliance by the Company and each of the Guarantors with the terms thereof and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents will not (i) conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries pursuant to, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other 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 or to which any of the property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is subject, (ii) result in any violation of the provisions of the charter or by-laws or similar organizational documents of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or (iii) result in the violation of any law or statute or any judgment, order, rule or regulation of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority, except, in the case of clauses (i) and (iii) above, for any such conflict, breach or violation that would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

(j) No consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority is required for the

execution, delivery and performance by the Company and each of the Guarantors of each of the Transaction Documents to which each is a party, the issuance and sale of the Securities (including the Guarantees) and compliance by the Company and each of the Guarantors with the terms thereof and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents, except for such consents, approvals, authorizations, orders and registrations or qualifications as may be required (i) under applicable state securities laws in connection with the purchase and resale of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers and (ii) with respect to the Exchange Securities (including the related guarantees) under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws as contemplated by the Registration Rights Agreement.

(k) To the best knowledge of such counsel, except as described in the Offering Memorandum, there are no legal, governmental or regulatory investigations, actions, suits or proceedings pending to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is or may be a party or to which any property of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is or may be the subject that, individually or in the aggregate, if determined adversely to the Company or any of its subsidiaries, would have a Material Adverse Effect; and no such investigations, actions, suits or proceedings are threatened or, to the best knowledge of such counsel, contemplated by any governmental or regulatory authority or threatened by others.

(l) The descriptions in the Offering Memorandum of statutes, legal, governmental and regulatory proceedings and contracts and other documents are accurate in all material respects; and the statements in the Offering Memorandum under the heading "Certain federal income tax considerations" and "Descriptions of certain debt", to the extent that they constitute summaries of matters of law or regulation or legal conclusions, fairly summarize the matters described therein in all material respects.

(m) The documents incorporated by reference in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum (other than the financial statements and other financial information contained therein, as to which such counsel need express no opinion), when filed with the Commission, conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

(n) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is, and after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Securities and the application of the proceeds thereof as described in the Offering Memorandum none of them will be, an "investment company" or an entity "controlled" by an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act.

(o) Neither the issuance, sale and delivery of the Securities nor the application of the proceeds thereof by the Company as described in the Offering Memorandum will violate Regulation T, U or X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System or any other regulation of such Board of Governors.

(p) Assuming the accuracy of the representations, warranties and agreements of the Company, the Guarantors and the Initial Purchasers contained in this Agreement, it is not necessary, in connection with the issuance and sale of the Securities to the Initial Purchasers and the offer, resale and delivery of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers in the manner contemplated by this Agreement and the Offering Memorandum, to register the Securities under the Securities Act or to qualify the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act.

Such counsel shall also state that they have participated in conferences with representatives of the Company and with representatives of its independent accountants and counsel at which conferences the contents of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum and any amendment and supplement thereto and related matters were discussed and, although such counsel assume no responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum and any amendment or supplement thereto (except as expressly provided above), nothing has come to the attention of such counsel to cause such counsel to believe that the Preliminary Offering Memorandum, as of its date, contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, or that the Offering Memorandum or any amendment or supplement thereto, as of its date and the Closing Date, contained or contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (other than, in each case, the financial statements and other financial information contained or incorporated by reference therein, as to which such counsel need express no belief).

In rendering such opinion, such counsel may rely as to matters of fact on certificates of responsible officers of the Company and the Guarantors and public officials that are furnished to the Initial Purchasers.

The opinion of Reed Smith LLP described above shall be rendered to the Initial Purchasers at the request of the Company and shall so state therein.

[Form of Registration Rights Agreement]

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

\$150,000,000

6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013

EXCHANGE AND REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

August 6, 2003

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES INC.
MORGAN STANLEY & CO. INCORPORATED
BNY CAPITAL MARKETS, INC.
MORGAN KEEGAN & COMPANY, INC.
ABN AMRO INCORPORATED
BB&T CAPITAL MARKETS, a DIVISION OF SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW, INC.
NATCITY INVESTMENTS, INC.
PNC CAPITAL MARKETS, INC.
c/o J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., as Representative of the Initial Purchasers
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New York, New York 10017

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), proposes to issue and sell to J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, BNY Capital Markets, Inc., Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc., ABN AMRO Incorporated, BB&T Capital Markets, a division of Scott & Stringfellow, Inc., NatCity Investments, Inc. and PNC Capital Markets, Inc. (the "Initial Purchasers"), upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in a purchase agreement dated July 23, 2003 (the "Purchase Agreement") among the Company, the guarantors listed in Schedule I hereto (the "Guarantors", and together with the Company, the "Issuers") and the Initial Purchasers, \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 6 7/8% Senior Notes due 2013 (the "Notes"). The Notes will be guaranteed on an unsecured senior basis (the "Guarantees" and, together with the Notes, the "Securities") by the Guarantors. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Purchase Agreement.

As an inducement to the Initial Purchasers to enter into the Purchase Agreement and in satisfaction of a condition to the obligations of the Initial Purchasers thereunder, the Issuers agree with the Initial Purchasers, for the benefit of the holders (including the Initial Purchasers) of the Securities, the Exchange Securities (as defined herein) and the Private Exchange Securities (as defined herein) (collectively, the "Holders"), as follows:

1. Registered Exchange Offer. The Issuers shall (i) prepare and, not later than 105 days following the date of original issuance of the Securities (the "Issue Date"), file

with the Commission a registration statement (the "Exchange Offer Registration Statement") on an appropriate form under the Securities Act with respect to a proposed offer to the Holders of the Securities (the "Registered Exchange Offer") to issue and deliver to such Holders, in exchange for the Securities, a like aggregate principal amount of debt securities of the Company that are identical in all material respects to the Notes with the Guarantees of the Guarantors (the "Exchange Securities"), except that the Exchange Securities will not contain terms with respect to transfer restrictions or registration rights, (ii) use their reasonable best efforts to cause the Exchange Offer Registration Statement to become effective under the Securities Act no later than 150 days after the Issue Date and the Registered Exchange Offer to be consummated no later than 180 days after the Issue Date and (iii) keep the Exchange Offer Registration Statement effective for not less than 20 business days (or longer, if required by applicable law) after the date on which notice of the Registered Exchange Offer is mailed to the Holders (such period being called the "Exchange Offer Registration Period"). The Exchange Securities will be issued under the Indenture or an indenture (the "Exchange Securities Indenture") among the Company, the Guarantors party thereto and the Trustee or such other bank or trust company that is reasonably satisfactory to the Initial Purchasers, as trustee (the "Exchange Securities Trustee"), such indenture to be identical in all material respects to the Indenture, except for the transfer restrictions relating to the Securities (as described above).

Upon the effectiveness of the Exchange Offer Registration Statement, the Issuers shall promptly commence the Registered Exchange Offer, it being the objective of such Registered Exchange Offer to enable each Holder electing to exchange Securities for Exchange Securities (assuming that such Holder (a) is not an affiliate (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) of the Issuers or an Exchanging Dealer (as defined herein) not complying with the requirements of the next sentence, (b) is not an Initial Purchaser holding Securities that have, or that are reasonably likely to have, the status of an unsold allotment in an initial distribution, (c) acquires the Exchange Securities in the ordinary course of such Holder's business and (d) has no arrangements or understandings with any person to participate in the distribution of the Exchange Securities) and to trade such Exchange Securities from and after their receipt without any limitations or restrictions under the Securities Act and without material restrictions under the securities laws of the several states of the United States. Each Issuer, the Initial Purchasers and each Exchanging Dealer acknowledges that, pursuant to current interpretations by the Commission's staff of Section 5 of the Securities Act, (i) each Holder that is a broker-dealer electing to exchange Securities acquired for its own account as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities for Exchange Securities (an "Exchanging Dealer") is required to deliver a prospectus containing substantially the information set forth in Annex A hereto on the cover of such prospectus, in Annex B hereto in the "Exchange Offer Procedures" and the "Purpose of the Exchange Offer" sections of such prospectus, and in Annex C hereto in the "Plan of Distribution" section of such prospectus in connection with a sale of any such Exchange Securities received by such Exchanging Dealer pursuant to the Registered Exchange Offer and (ii) if any Initial Purchaser elects to sell Private Exchange Securities (as defined below) acquired in exchange for Securities constituting any portion of an unsold allotment, such Initial Purchaser is required to deliver a prospectus containing the information required by Items 507 and 508 of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act ("Regulation S-K"), as applicable, in connection with such sale.

If, prior to the consummation of the Registered Exchange Offer, any Holder holds any Securities acquired by it that have, or that are reasonably likely to be determined to have, the status of an unsold allotment in an initial distribution, or any Holder is not entitled to participate in the Registered Exchange Offer, the Issuers shall, upon the request of any such Holder, simultaneously with the delivery of the Exchange Securities in the Registered Exchange Offer, issue and deliver to any such Holder, in exchange for the Securities held by such Holder (the "Private Exchange"), a like aggregate principal amount of debt securities of the Company with guarantees of the Guarantors that are identical in all material respects to the Exchange Securities (the "Private Exchange Securities"), except with respect to the transfer restrictions relating to such Private Exchange Securities. The Private Exchange Securities will be issued under the same indenture as the Exchange Securities, and the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Private Exchange Securities to bear the same CUSIP number as the Exchange Securities.

In connection with the Registered Exchange Offer, the Issuers shall:

(a) mail to each Holder a copy of the prospectus forming part of the Exchange Offer Registration Statement, together with an appropriate letter of transmittal and related documents;

(b) keep the Registered Exchange Offer open for the Exchange Offer Registration Period;

(c) utilize the services of a depository for the Registered Exchange Offer with an address in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York;

(d) permit Holders to withdraw tendered Securities at any time prior to the close of business, New York City time, on the last business day on which the Registered Exchange Offer shall remain open; and

(e) otherwise comply in all respects with all laws that are applicable to the Registered Exchange Offer.

As soon as practicable after the close of the Registered Exchange Offer and any Private Exchange, as the case may be, the Issuers shall:

(a) accept for exchange all Securities tendered and not validly withdrawn pursuant to the Registered Exchange Offer and the Private Exchange;

(b) deliver to the Trustee for cancellation all Securities so accepted for exchange; and

(c) cause the Trustee or the Exchange Securities Trustee, as the case may be, promptly to authenticate and deliver to each Holder, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities, as the case may be, equal in principal amount to the Securities of such Holder so accepted for exchange.

The Issuers shall use their reasonable best efforts to keep the Exchange Offer Registration Statement effective and to amend and supplement the prospectus contained therein in order to permit such prospectus to be used by all persons subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act for such period of time as such persons must comply with such requirements in order to resell the Exchange Securities; provided that (i) in the case where such prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto must be delivered by an Exchanging Dealer, such period shall be the lesser of 180 days and the date on which all Exchanging Dealers have sold all Exchange Securities held by them and (ii) the Company shall make such prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any resale of any Exchange Securities for a period of not less than 90 days after the consummation of the Registered Exchange Offer.

The Indenture or the Exchange Securities Indenture, as the case may be, shall provide that the Securities, the Exchange Securities and the Private Exchange Securities shall vote and consent together on all matters as one class and that none of the Securities, the Exchange Securities or the Private Exchange Securities will have the right to vote or consent as a separate class on any matter.

Interest on each Exchange Security and Private Exchange Security issued pursuant to the Registered Exchange Offer and in the Private Exchange will accrue from the last interest payment date on which interest was paid on the Securities surrendered in exchange therefor or, if no interest has been paid on the Securities, from the Issue Date.

Each Holder participating in the Registered Exchange Offer shall be required to represent to the Issuers that at the time of the consummation of the Registered Exchange Offer (i) any Exchange Securities received by such Holder will be acquired in the ordinary course of business, (ii) such Holder will have no arrangements or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of the Securities or the Exchange Securities within the meaning of the Securities Act and (iii) such Holder is not an affiliate (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) of any of the Issuers or, if it is such an affiliate, such Holder will comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act to the extent applicable.

Notwithstanding any other provisions hereof, each of the Issuers will ensure that (i) any Exchange Offer Registration Statement and any amendment thereto and any prospectus forming part thereof and any supplement thereto complies in all material respects with the Securities Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, (ii) any Exchange Offer Registration Statement and any amendment thereto does not, when it becomes effective, 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 (iii) any prospectus forming part of any Exchange Offer Registration Statement, and any supplement to such prospectus, does not, as of the consummation of the Registered Exchange Offer, include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

2. Shelf Registration. If (i) because of any change in law or applicable interpretations thereof by the Commission's staff the Issuers are not permitted to effect the Registered Exchange Offer as contemplated by Section 1 hereof, or (ii) any Securities validly tendered pursuant to the Registered Exchange Offer are not exchanged for Exchange Securities within 180 days after the Issue Date, or (iii) any Initial Purchaser so requests with respect to Securities or Private Exchange Securities not eligible to be exchanged for Exchange Securities in the Registered Exchange Offer and held by it following the consummation of the Registered Exchange Offer, or (iv) any applicable law or interpretations do not permit any Holder to participate in the Registered Exchange Offer, or (v) any Holder that participates in the Registered Exchange Offer does not receive freely transferable Exchange Securities in exchange for tendered Securities, or (vi) the Issuers so elect, then the following provisions shall apply:

(a) The Issuers shall use their reasonable best efforts to file as promptly as practicable (but in no event more than 30 days after so required or requested, in each case, pursuant to this Section 2) with the Commission, and thereafter shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause to be declared effective, a shelf registration statement on an appropriate form under the Securities Act relating to the offer and sale of the Transfer Restricted Securities (as defined below) by the Holders thereof from time to time in accordance with the methods of distribution set forth in such registration statement (hereafter, a "Shelf Registration Statement" and, together with any Exchange Offer Registration Statement, a "Registration Statement").

(b) The Issuers shall use their reasonable best efforts to keep the Shelf Registration Statement continuously effective in order to permit the prospectus forming part thereof to be used by Holders of Transfer Restricted Securities for a period ending on the earlier of (i) two years from the Issue Date or such shorter period that will terminate when all the Transfer Restricted Securities covered by the Shelf Registration Statement have been sold pursuant thereto and (ii) the date on which the Securities become eligible for resale without volume restrictions pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act (in any such case, such period being called the "Shelf Registration Period"). The Issuers shall be deemed not to have used their reasonable best efforts to keep the Shelf Registration Statement effective during the requisite period if they voluntarily take any action that would result in Holders of Transfer Restricted Securities covered thereby not being able to offer and sell such Transfer Restricted Securities during that period, unless such action is required by applicable law.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions hereof, the Issuers will ensure that (i) any Shelf Registration Statement and any amendment thereto and any prospectus forming part thereof and any supplement thereto complies in all material respects with the Securities Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, (ii) any Shelf Registration Statement and any amendment thereto (in either case, other than with respect to information included therein in reliance upon or in conformity with written information furnished to the Issuers by or on behalf of any Holder specifically for use therein (the "Holders' Information")) does 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 (iii) any prospectus forming part of any Shelf

Registration Statement, and any supplement to such prospectus (in either case, other than with respect to Holders' Information), does not include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

3. Liquidated Damages. (a) The parties hereto agree that the Holders of Transfer Restricted Securities will suffer damages if the Issuers fail to fulfill their obligations under Section 1 or Section 2, as applicable, and that it would not be feasible to ascertain the extent of such damages. Accordingly, if (i) the applicable Registration Statement is not filed with the Commission on or prior to 105 days after the Issue Date, (ii) the Exchange Offer Registration Statement or the Shelf Registration Statement, as the case may be, is not declared effective within 150 days after the Issue Date (or in the case of a Shelf Registration Statement required to be filed in response to a change in law or the applicable interpretations of Commission's staff, if later, within 45 days after publication of the change in law or interpretation), (iii) the Registered Exchange Offer is not consummated on or prior to 180 days after the Issue Date, or (iv) the Shelf Registration Statement is filed and declared effective within 150 days after the Issue Date (or in the case of a Shelf Registration Statement required to be filed in response to a change in law or the applicable interpretations of Commission's staff, if later, within 45 days after publication of the change in law or interpretation) but shall thereafter cease to be effective (at any time that the Issuers are obligated to maintain the effectiveness thereof) without being succeeded within 30 days by an additional Registration Statement filed and declared effective (each such event referred to in clauses (i) through (iv), a "Registration Default"), the Company and the Guarantors will be obligated to pay liquidated damages to each Holder of Transfer Restricted Securities, during the period of one or more such Registration Defaults, in an amount equal to \$ 0.192 per week per \$1,000 principal amount of Transfer Restricted Securities held by such Holder until (i) the applicable Registration Statement is filed, (ii) the Exchange Offer Registration Statement is declared effective and the Registered Exchange Offer is consummated, (iii) the Shelf Registration Statement is declared effective, (iv) the Shelf Registration Statement again becomes effective or (v) the Shelf Registration Period shall have ended, as the case may be. Following the cure of all Registration Defaults, the accrual of liquidated damages will cease. As used herein, the term "Transfer Restricted Securities" means (i) each Security until the date on which such Security has been exchanged for a freely transferable Exchange Security in the Registered Exchange Offer, (ii) each Security or Private Exchange Security until the date on which it has been effectively registered under the Securities Act and disposed of in accordance with the Shelf Registration Statement or (iii) each Security or Private Exchange Security until the date on which it is distributed to the public pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act or is saleable pursuant to Rule 144(k) under the Securities Act. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 3(a), the Company and the Guarantors shall not be required to pay liquidated damages to a Holder of Transfer Restricted Securities if such Holder failed to comply with its obligations to make the representations set forth in the second to last paragraph of Section 1 or failed to provide the information required to be provided by it, if any, pursuant to Section 4(n).

(b) The Issuers shall notify the Trustee and the Paying Agent under the Indenture immediately upon the happening of each and every Registration Default. The

Company and the Guarantors shall pay the liquidated damages due on the Transfer Restricted Securities by depositing with the Paying Agent (which may not be any of the Issuers for these purposes), in trust, for the benefit of the Holders thereof, prior to 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on the next interest payment date specified by the Indenture and the Securities, sums sufficient to pay the liquidated damages then due. The liquidated damages due shall be payable on each interest payment date specified by the Indenture and the Securities to the Holder of record entitled to receive the interest payment to be made on such date. Each obligation to pay liquidated damages shall be deemed to accrue from and including the date of the applicable Registration Default.

(c) The parties hereto agree that the liquidated damages provided for in this Section 3 constitute a reasonable estimate of and are intended to constitute the sole damages that will be suffered by Holders of Transfer Restricted Securities by reason of the failure of (i) the Shelf Registration Statement or the Exchange Offer Registration Statement to be filed, (ii) the Shelf Registration Statement to remain effective or (iii) the Exchange Offer Registration Statement to be declared effective and the Registered Exchange Offer to be consummated, in each case to the extent required by this Agreement.

4. Registration Procedures. In connection with any Registration Statement, the following provisions shall apply:

(a) The Issuers shall (i) furnish to each Initial Purchaser, prior to the filing thereof with the Commission, a copy of the Registration Statement and each amendment thereof and each supplement, if any, to the prospectus included therein and shall use its reasonable best efforts to reflect in each such document, when so filed with the Commission, such comments as any Initial Purchaser may reasonably propose; (ii) if applicable, include the information set forth in Annex A hereto on the cover, in Annex B hereto in the "Exchange Offer Procedures" and the "Purpose of the Exchange Offer" sections and in Annex C hereto in the "Plan of Distribution" section of the prospectus forming a part of the Exchange Offer Registration Statement, and include the information set forth in Annex D hereto in the Letter of Transmittal delivered pursuant to the Registered Exchange Offer; and (iii) if requested by any Initial Purchaser, include the information required by Items 507 or 508 of Regulation S-K, as applicable, in the prospectus forming a part of the Exchange Offer Registration Statement.

(b) The Issuers shall advise each Initial Purchaser, each Exchanging Dealer and the Holders (if applicable) and, if requested by any such person, confirm such advice in writing (which advice pursuant to clauses (ii)-(v) hereof shall be accompanied by an instruction to suspend the use of the prospectus until the requisite changes have been made):

(i) when any Registration Statement and any amendment thereto has been filed with the Commission and when such Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto has become effective;

(ii) of any request by the Commission for amendments or supplements to any Registration Statement or the prospectus included therein or for additional information;

(iii) of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of any Registration Statement or the initiation of any proceedings for that purpose;

(iv) of the receipt by the Issuers of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Securities, the Exchange Securities or the Private Exchange Securities for sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose; and

(v) of the happening of any event that requires the making of any changes in any Registration Statement or the prospectus included therein in order that the statements therein are not misleading and do not omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading.

(c) The Issuers will make every reasonable effort to obtain the withdrawal at the earliest possible time of any order suspending the effectiveness of any Registration Statement.

(d) The Issuers will furnish to each Holder of Transfer Restricted Securities included within the coverage of any Shelf Registration Statement, without charge, at least one conformed copy of such Shelf Registration Statement and any post-effective amendment thereto, including financial statements and schedules and, if any such Holder so requests in writing, all exhibits thereto (including those, if any, incorporated by reference).

(e) The Issuers will, during the Shelf Registration Period, promptly deliver to each Holder of Transfer Restricted Securities included within the coverage of any Shelf Registration Statement, without charge, as many copies of the prospectus (including each preliminary prospectus) included in such Shelf Registration Statement and any amendment or supplement thereto as such Holder may reasonably request; and the Issuers consent to the use of such prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto by each of the selling Holders of Transfer Restricted Securities in connection with the offer and sale of the Transfer Restricted Securities covered by such prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto.

(f) The Issuers will furnish to each Initial Purchaser and each Exchanging Dealer, and to any other Holder who so requests, without charge, at least one conformed copy of the Exchange Offer Registration Statement and any post-effective amendment thereto, including financial statements and schedules and, if any Initial Purchaser or Exchanging Dealer or any such Holder so requests in writing, all exhibits thereto (including those, if any, incorporated by reference).

(g) The Issuers will, during the Exchange Offer Registration Period or the Shelf Registration Period, as applicable, promptly deliver to each Initial Purchaser, each Exchanging Dealer and such other persons that are required to deliver a prospectus, without charge, as many copies of the final prospectus included in the Exchange Offer Registration Statement or the Shelf Registration Statement and any amendment or supplement thereto as such Initial Purchaser, Exchanging Dealer or other persons may reasonably request; and the Issuers consent to the use of such prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto by any such Initial Purchaser, Exchanging Dealer or other persons, as applicable, as aforesaid.

(h) Prior to the effective date of any Registration Statement, the Issuers will use their reasonable best efforts to register or qualify, or cooperate with the Holders of Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities included therein and their respective counsel in connection with the registration or qualification of, such Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities for offer and sale under the securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions as any such Holder reasonably requests in writing and do any and all other acts or things necessary or advisable to enable the offer and sale in such jurisdictions of the Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities covered by such Registration Statement; provided that the Issuers will not be required to qualify generally to do business in any jurisdiction where they are not then so qualified or to take any action which would subject them to general service of process or to taxation in any such jurisdiction where they are not then so subject.

(i) The Issuers will cooperate with the Holders of Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities to facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates representing Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities to be sold pursuant to any Registration Statement free of any restrictive legends and in such denominations and registered in such names as the Holders thereof may request in writing prior to sales of Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities pursuant to such Registration Statement.

(j) If any event contemplated by Section 4(b)(ii) through (v) occurs during the period for which the Issuers are required to maintain an effective Registration Statement, the Issuers will promptly prepare and file with the Commission a post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement or a supplement to the related prospectus or file any other required document so that, as thereafter delivered to purchasers of the Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities from a Holder, the prospectus will not include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

(k) Not later than the effective date of the applicable Registration Statement, the Issuers will provide a CUSIP number for the Securities, the Exchange Securities and the Private Exchange Securities, as the case may be, and provide the applicable trustee with printed certificates for the Securities, the Exchange Securities or the Private

Exchange Securities, as the case may be, in a form eligible for deposit with The Depository Trust Company.

(l) Each of the Issuers will comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Commission and will make generally available to its security holders as soon as practicable after the effective date of the applicable Registration Statement an earnings statement satisfying the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act; provided that in no event shall such earnings statement be delivered later than 45 days after the end of a 12-month period (or 90 days, if such period is a fiscal year) beginning with the first month of such Issuer's first fiscal quarter commencing after the effective date of the applicable Registration Statement, which statement shall cover such 12-month period.

(m) The Issuers will cause the Indenture or the Exchange Securities Indenture, as the case may be, to be qualified under the Trust Indenture Act as required by applicable law in a timely manner.

(n) The Issuers may require each Holder of Transfer Restricted Securities to be registered pursuant to any Shelf Registration Statement to furnish to the Issuers such information concerning the Holder and the distribution of such Transfer Restricted Securities as the Issuers may from time to time reasonably require for inclusion in such Shelf Registration Statement, and the Issuers may exclude from such registration the Transfer Restricted Securities of any Holder that fails to furnish such information within a reasonable time after receiving such request.

(o) In the case of a Shelf Registration Statement, each Holder of Transfer Restricted Securities to be registered pursuant thereto agrees by acquisition of such Transfer Restricted Securities that, upon receipt of any notice from the Issuers pursuant to Section 4(b)(ii) through (v) hereof, such Holder will discontinue disposition of such Transfer Restricted Securities until such Holder's receipt of copies of the supplemental or amended prospectus contemplated by Section 4(j) hereof or until advised in writing (the "Advice") by the Issuers that the use of the applicable prospectus may be resumed. If the Issuers shall give any notice under Section 4(b)(ii) through (v) hereof during the period that the Issuers are required to maintain an effective Registration Statement (the "Effectiveness Period"), such Effectiveness Period shall be extended by the number of days during such period from and including the date of the giving of such notice to and including the date when each seller of Transfer Restricted Securities covered by such Registration Statement shall have received either (x) the copies of the supplemental or amended prospectus contemplated by Section 4(j) hereof (if an amended or supplemental prospectus is required) or (y) the Advice (if no amended or supplemental prospectus is required).

(p) In the case of a Shelf Registration Statement, the Issuers shall enter into such customary agreements (including, if requested, an underwriting agreement in customary form) and take all such other action, if any, as Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities, Exchange Securities and Private Exchange Securities being sold or the managing underwriters (if any) shall reasonably request in

order to facilitate any disposition of Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities pursuant to such Shelf Registration Statement.

(q) In the case of a Shelf Registration Statement, the Issuers shall (i) make reasonably available for inspection by a representative of, and Special Counsel (as defined below) acting for, Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities, Exchange Securities and Private Exchange Securities being sold and any underwriter participating in any disposition of Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities pursuant to such Shelf Registration Statement, all relevant financial and other records, pertinent corporate documents and properties of the Issuers and their respective subsidiaries and (ii) use their reasonable best efforts to have their officers, directors, employees, accountants and counsel supply all relevant information reasonably requested by such representative, Special Counsel or any such underwriter (an "Inspector") in connection with such Shelf Registration Statement.

(r) In the case of a Shelf Registration Statement, the Issuers shall, if requested by Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities, Exchange Securities and Private Exchange Securities being sold, their Special Counsel or the managing underwriters (if any) in connection with such Shelf Registration Statement, use their reasonable best efforts to cause (i) their counsel to deliver an opinion relating to the Shelf Registration Statement and the Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities, as applicable, in customary form, (ii) its officers to execute and deliver all customary documents and certificates requested by Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities, Exchange Securities and Private Exchange Securities being sold, their Special Counsel or the managing underwriters (if any) and (iii) its independent public accountants to provide a comfort letter or letters in customary form, subject to receipt of appropriate documentation as contemplated, and only if permitted, by Statement of Auditing Standards No. 72.

5. Registration Expenses. The Issuers will, jointly and severally, bear all expenses incurred in connection with the performance of their obligations under Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 and the Issuers will, jointly and severally, reimburse the Initial Purchasers and the Holders for the reasonable fees and disbursements of one firm of attorneys (in addition to any local counsel) chosen by the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities, the Exchange Securities and the Private Exchange Securities to be sold pursuant to each Registration Statement (the "Special Counsel") acting for the Initial Purchasers or Holders in connection therewith.

6. Indemnification. (a) In the event of a Shelf Registration Statement or in connection with any prospectus delivery pursuant to an Exchange Offer Registration Statement by an Initial Purchaser or Exchanging Dealer, as applicable, the Issuers shall, jointly and severally, indemnify and hold harmless, to the extent permitted by law, each Holder (including, without limitation, any such Initial Purchaser or Exchanging Dealer), its affiliates, their respective officers, directors, employees, representatives and agents, and each person, if any, who controls such Holder within the meaning of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act (collectively referred to for purposes of this Section 6 and Section 7 as a "Holder") from and

against any loss, claim, damage or liability, joint or several, or any action in respect thereof (including, without limitation, any loss, claim, damage, liability or action relating to purchases and sales of Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities), to which that Holder may become subject, whether commenced or threatened, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, any other federal or state statutory law or regulation, at common law or otherwise, insofar as such loss, claim, damage, liability or action arises out of, or is based upon, (i) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any such Registration Statement or any prospectus forming part thereof or in any amendment or supplement thereto or (ii) the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, and shall, jointly and severally, reimburse each Holder promptly upon demand for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by that Holder in connection with investigating or defending or preparing to defend against or appearing as a third party witness in connection with any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the Issuers shall not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action arises out of, or is based upon, an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement in or omission or alleged omission from any of such documents in reliance upon and in conformity with any Holders' Information; and provided, further, however, that with respect to any such untrue statement in or omission from any related preliminary prospectus, the indemnity agreement contained in this Section 6(a) shall not inure to the benefit of any such Holder from whom the person asserting any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action received Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities to the extent that such loss, claim, damage, liability or action of or with respect to such Holder results from the fact that both (A) a copy of the final prospectus (together with any correcting amendments or supplements) was not sent or given to such person at or prior to the written confirmation of the sale of such Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities to such person and (B) the untrue statement in or omission from any related preliminary prospectus was corrected in the final prospectus unless, in either case, such failure to deliver the final prospectus was a result of non-compliance by the Issuers with Section 4(d), 4(e), 4(f) or 4(g).

(b) In the event of a Shelf Registration Statement, each Holder, severally and jointly, shall indemnify and hold harmless, to the extent permitted by law, the Issuers, their respective affiliates, their respective officers, directors, employees, representatives and agents, and each person, if any, who controls any such Issuer or any such affiliate within the meaning of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act (collectively referred to for purposes of this Section 6(b) and Section 7 as the Issuers), from and against any loss, claim, damage or liability, joint or several, or any action in respect thereof, to which the Issuers may become subject, whether commenced or threatened, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, any other federal or state statutory law or regulation, at common law or otherwise, insofar as such loss, claim, damage, liability or action arises out of, or is based upon, (i) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any such Registration Statement or any prospectus forming part thereof or in any amendment or supplement thereto or (ii) the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not

misleading, but in each case only to the extent that the untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in reliance upon and in conformity with any Holders' Information furnished to the Issuers by such Holder, and shall reimburse the Issuers promptly upon demand for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by the Issuers in connection with investigating or defending or preparing to defend against or appearing as a third party witness in connection with any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that no such Holder shall be liable for any indemnity claims hereunder in excess of the amount of net proceeds received by such Holder from the sale of Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities pursuant to such Shelf Registration Statement.

(c) Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under this Section 6 of notice of any claim or the commencement of any action, the indemnified party shall, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party pursuant to Section 6(a) or 6(b), notify the indemnifying party in writing of the claim or the commencement of that action; provided, however, that the failure to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability which it may have under this Section 6 except to the extent that it has been materially prejudiced by such failure; and provided, further, however, that the failure to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability which it may have to an indemnified party otherwise than under this Section 6. If any such claim or action shall be brought against an indemnified party, and it shall notify the indemnifying party thereof, the indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate therein and, to the extent that it wishes, jointly with any other similarly notified indemnifying party, to assume the defense thereof with counsel reasonably satisfactory to the indemnified party. After notice from the indemnifying party to the indemnified party of its election to assume the defense of such claim or action, the indemnifying party shall not be liable to the indemnified party under this Section 6 for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by the indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof other than the reasonable costs of investigation; provided, however, that an indemnified party shall have the right to employ its own counsel in any such action, but the fees, expenses and other charges of such counsel for the indemnified party will be at the expense of such indemnified party unless (1) the indemnifying party and the indemnified party shall have mutually agreed to the retention of such counsel, (2) the named parties to any such proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both the indemnifying party and the indemnified party and the indemnified party is advised by counsel that representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interests between them or (3) counsel is not retained by the indemnifying party within a reasonable time after receiving notice of commencement of an action, in each of which cases the reasonable fees, disbursements and other charges of counsel will be at the expense of the indemnifying party or parties. It is understood that the indemnifying party or parties shall not, in connection with any proceeding or related proceedings in the same jurisdiction, be liable for the reasonable fees, disbursements and other charges of more than one separate firm of attorneys (in addition to any local counsel) at any one time for all such indemnified party or parties. Each indemnified party, as a condition of the indemnity agreements contained in Sections 6(a) and 6(b), shall use all reasonable efforts to cooperate with the indemnifying party in the defense of any such action or claim. No indemnifying party shall be liable for any settlement of any such action effected without its

written consent (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), but if settled with its written consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff in any such action, the indemnifying party agrees to indemnify and hold harmless any indemnified party from and against any loss or liability by reason of such settlement or judgment. No indemnifying party shall, without the prior written consent of the indemnified party (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), effect any settlement of any pending or threatened proceeding in respect of which any indemnified party is or could have been a party and indemnity could have been sought hereunder by such indemnified party, unless such settlement includes an unconditional release of such indemnified party from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such proceeding.

7. Contribution. If the indemnification provided for in Section 6 is unavailable or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party under Section 6(a) or 6(b), then each indemnifying party shall, in lieu of indemnifying such indemnified party, contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such loss, claim, damage or liability, or action in respect thereof, (i) in such proportion as shall be appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Issuers from the offering and sale of the Securities, on the one hand, and a Holder with respect to the sale by such Holder of Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities, on the other, or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) above is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) above but also the relative fault of the Issuers on the one hand and such Holder on the other with respect to the statements or omissions that resulted in such loss, claim, damage or liability, or action in respect thereof, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Issuers on the one hand and a Holder on the other with respect to such offering and such sale shall be deemed to be in the same proportion as the total net proceeds from the offering of the Securities (before deducting expenses) received by or on behalf of the Company, on the one hand, bear to the underwriting discounts and expenses received by the initial purchasers, on the other. The relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to the Issuers or information supplied by the Issuers on the one hand or to any Holders' Information supplied by such Holder on the other, the intent of the parties and their relative knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such untrue statement or omission. The parties hereto agree that it would not be just and equitable if contributions pursuant to this Section 7 were to be determined by pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation that does not take into account the equitable considerations referred to herein. The amount paid or payable by an indemnified party as a result of the loss, claim, damage or liability, or action in respect thereof, referred to above in this Section 7 shall be deemed to include, for purposes of this Section 7, any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending or preparing to defend any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 7, an indemnifying party that is a Holder of Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities shall not be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities sold by such indemnifying party to any purchaser exceeds the amount of any damages which such indemnifying party has otherwise paid or become liable to pay by reason of any 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 guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation.

8. Rules 144 and 144A. The Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to file the reports required to be filed by it under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act in a timely manner and, if at any time the Company is not required to file such reports, it will, upon the written request of any Holder of Transfer Restricted Securities, make publicly available other information for so long as necessary to permit sales of such Holder's securities pursuant to Rules 144 and 144A. Each of the Issuers covenants that it will take such further action as any Holder of Transfer Restricted Securities may reasonably request, all to the extent required from time to time to enable such Holder to sell Transfer Restricted Securities without registration under the Securities Act within the limitation of the exemptions provided by Rules 144 and 144A (including, without limitation, the requirements of Rule 144A(d)(4)). Upon the written request of any Holder of Transfer Restricted Securities, each of the Issuers shall deliver to such Holder a written statement as to whether it has complied with such requirements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Section 8 shall be deemed to require any of the Issuers to register any of its securities pursuant to the Exchange Act.

9. Underwritten Registrations. If any of the Transfer Restricted Securities covered by any Shelf Registration Statement are to be sold in an underwritten offering, the investment banker or investment bankers and manager or managers that will administer the offering will be selected by the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of such Transfer Restricted Securities included in such offering, subject to the consent of the Issuers (which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed), and such Holders shall be responsible for all underwriting commissions and discounts in connection therewith.

No person may participate in any underwritten registration hereunder unless such person (i) agrees to sell such person's Transfer Restricted Securities on the basis reasonably 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.

10. Miscellaneous. (a) Amendments and Waivers. The provisions of this Agreement may not be amended, modified or supplemented, and waivers or consents to departures from the provisions hereof may not be given, unless the Issuers have obtained the written consent of Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities, the Exchange Securities and the Private Exchange Securities, taken as a single class. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a waiver or consent to depart from the provisions hereof with respect to a matter that relates exclusively to the rights of Holders whose Securities, Exchange Securities or Private Exchange Securities are being sold pursuant to a Registration Statement and that does not directly or indirectly affect the rights of other Holders may be given by Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities, the Exchange Securities and the Private Exchange Securities being sold by such Holders pursuant to such Registration Statement.

(b) Notices. All notices and other communications provided for or permitted hereunder shall be made in writing by hand-delivery, first-class mail, telecopier or air courier guaranteeing next-day delivery:

(1) if to a Holder, at the most current address given by such Holder to the Issuers in accordance with the provisions of this Section 10(b), which address initially is, with respect to each Holder, the address of such Holder maintained by the Registrar under the Indenture, with a copy in like manner to J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.;

(2) if to an Initial Purchaser, initially to J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. in the Purchase Agreement; and

(3) if to the Issuers, initially at the address of the Company set forth in the Purchase Agreement.

All such notices and communications shall be deemed to have been duly given: when delivered by hand, if personally delivered; one business day after being delivered to a next-day air courier; five business days after being deposited in the mail; and when receipt is acknowledged by the recipient's telecopier machine, if sent by telecopier.

(c) Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall be binding upon the Issuers and their successors and assigns.

(d) Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts (which may be delivered in original form or by telecopier) and by the parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

(e) Definition of Terms. For purposes of this Agreement, (a) the term "business day" means any day on which the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. is open for trading, (b) the term "subsidiary" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act and (c) except where otherwise expressly provided, the term "affiliate" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

(f) Headings. The headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof.

(g) Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York without regard to principles of conflicts of laws to the extent that the application of the law of another jurisdiction would be required thereby.

(h) Remedies. In the event of a breach by the Issuers or by any Holder of any of their obligations under this Agreement, each Holder or the Issuers, as the case may be, in addition to being entitled to exercise all rights granted by law, including recovery of damages (other than the recovery of damages for a breach by the Issuers of their obligations under Sections 1 or 2 hereof for which liquidated damages have been paid pursuant to Section 3

hereof), will be entitled to specific performance of its rights under this Agreement. The Issuers and each Holder agree that monetary damages would not be adequate compensation for any loss incurred by reason of a breach by it of any of the provisions of this Agreement and hereby further agree that, in the event of any action for specific performance in respect of such breach, it shall waive the defense that a remedy at law would be adequate.

(i) No Inconsistent Agreements. The Issuers represent, warrant and agree that (i) they have not entered into, and shall not, on or after the date of this Agreement, enter into any agreement that is inconsistent with the rights granted to the Holders in this Agreement or otherwise conflicts with the provisions hereof, (ii) they have not previously entered into any agreement which remains in effect granting any registration rights with respect to any of their debt securities to any person and (iii) without limiting the generality of the foregoing, without the written consent of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Transfer Restricted Securities, they shall not grant to any person the right to request any of the Issuers to register any debt securities of such Issuer under the Securities Act unless the rights so granted are not in conflict or inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement.

(j) No Piggyback on Registrations. Neither the Issuers nor any of their respective security holders (other than the Holders of Transfer Restricted Securities in such capacity) shall have the right to include any securities of the Issuers in any Shelf Registration or Registered Exchange Offer other than Transfer Restricted Securities.

(k) Severability. The remedies provided herein are cumulative and not exclusive of any remedies provided by law. If any term, provision, covenant or restriction of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal, void or unenforceable, the remainder of the terms, provisions, covenants and restrictions set forth herein shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated, and the parties hereto shall use their reasonable best efforts to find and employ an alternative means to achieve the same or substantially the same result as that contemplated by such term, provision, covenant or restriction. It is hereby stipulated and declared to be the intention of the parties that they would have executed the remaining terms, provisions, covenants and restrictions without including any of such that may be hereafter declared invalid, illegal, void or unenforceable.

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Please confirm that the foregoing correctly sets forth the agreement among the Company, the Guarantors and the Initial Purchasers.

Very truly yours,

The Issuer:

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES
CORPORATION

By: /s/ Alvaro Garcia-Tunon

Name: Alvaro Garcia-Tunon
Title: Senior Vice President

The Guarantors:

MOTIVEPOWER, INC.
RAILROAD FRICTION PRODUCTS
CORPORATION
RFPC HOLDING CORPORATION
WABTEC CORPORATION
WABTEC DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
WABTEC HOLDING CORP.
WABTEC TRANSPORTATION
TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
YOUNG TOUCHSTONE COMPANY

By: /s/ Alvaro Garcia-Tunon

Name: Alvaro Garcia-Tunon
Title: Vice President

Agreed and accepted by:

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES INC.

For itself and on behalf of the other
Initial Purchasers

By: /s/ Benjamin Ben-Attar

Name: Benjamin Ben-Attar
Title: Vice President

Guarantors

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MotivePower, Inc.

Railroad Friction Products Corporation

RFPC Holding Corporation

Wabtec Corporation

Wabtec Distribution Company

Wabtec Holding Corp.

Wabtec Transportation Technologies, Inc.

Young Touchstone Company

Each broker-dealer that receives Exchange Securities for its own account pursuant to the Registered Exchange Offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such Exchange Securities. 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 Exchange Securities received in exchange for Securities where such Securities were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. The Issuers have agreed that, for a period of 180 days after the Expiration Date (as defined herein), they will make this Prospectus available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any such resale. See "Plan of Distribution."

Each broker-dealer that receives Exchange Securities for its own account in exchange for Securities, where such Securities were acquired by such 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 such Exchange Securities. See "Plan of Distribution."

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Each broker-dealer that receives Exchange Securities for its own account pursuant to the Registered Exchange Offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such Exchange Securities. 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 Exchange Securities received in exchange for Securities where such Securities were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. The Issuers have agreed that, for a period of 180 days after the Expiration Date, it will make this prospectus, as amended or supplemented, available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any such resale. In addition, until _____, _____, all dealers effecting transactions in the Exchange Securities may be required to deliver a prospectus.

The Issuers will not receive any proceeds from any sale of Exchange Securities by broker-dealers. Exchange Securities received by broker-dealers for their own account pursuant to the Registered 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 Exchange Securities or a combination of such methods of resale, at market prices prevailing at the time of resale, at prices related to such prevailing market prices or at negotiated prices. Any such 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 such broker-dealer or the purchasers of any such Exchange Securities. Any broker-dealer that resells Exchange Securities that were received by it for its own account pursuant to the Registered Exchange Offer and any broker or dealer that participates in a distribution of such Exchange Securities may be deemed to be an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act and any profit on any such resale of Exchange Securities and any commission or concessions received by any such 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 180 days after the Expiration Date the Issuers will promptly send additional copies of this Prospectus and any amendment or supplement to this Prospectus to any broker-dealer that requests such documents in the Letter of Transmittal. The Issuers have agreed to pay all expenses incident to the Registered Exchange Offer (including the expenses of one counsel for the Holders of the Securities) other than commissions or concessions of any broker-dealers and will indemnify the Holders of the Securities (including any broker-dealers) against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

[] CHECK HERE IF YOU ARE A BROKER-DEALER AND WISH TO RECEIVE 10 ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE PROSPECTUS AND 10 COPIES OF ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS THERETO.

Name:
Address:

If the undersigned is not a broker-dealer, the undersigned represents that it is not engaged in, and does not intend to engage in, a distribution of Exchange Securities. If the undersigned is a broker-dealer that will receive Exchange Securities for its own account in exchange for Securities that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, it acknowledges that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such Exchange Securities; however, by so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, the undersigned will not be deemed to admit that it is an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act.

August 6, 2003

J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.
Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated
BNY Capital Markets, Inc.
Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc.
ABN AMRO Incorporated
BB&T Capital Markets, a division of Scott & Stringfellow, Inc.
NatCity Investments, Inc.
PNC Capital Markets, Inc.
As Initial Purchasers
c/o J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.
270 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel for Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the issuance and sale to the Initial Purchasers named in Schedule 1 (the "Initial Purchasers") of their respective amounts of \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company's 6 7/8% Senior Notes due in 2013 (the "Notes"). As used herein, "Indenture" refers to the Indenture pursuant to which the Notes will be issued, dated as of August 6, 2003, between the Company, the Guarantors and The Bank of New York, as trustee (the "Trustee"); "Depository" refers to The Depository Trust Company, the depository for the Notes issued in book-entry form in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee; "Purchase Agreement" refers to the Purchase Agreement, dated July 23, 2003, among the Company, the Guarantors, and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., as representative of the Initial Purchasers; "Registration Rights Agreement" refers to the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, dated August 6, 2003; "Preliminary Offering Memorandum" refers to the preliminary offering memorandum of the Company, dated July 11, 2003; and "Offering Memorandum" refers to the Offering memorandum of the Company, dated July 23, 2003, which the Company will deliver to the Initial Purchasers; and "Exchange Act Documents" refers to the documents incorporated by reference in the Offering Memorandum.

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have, unless the context otherwise requires, the respective meanings assigned to them in the Purchase Agreement. This opinion is furnished to you pursuant to Section 5(f) of the Purchase Agreement.

For purposes of this opinion, we have examined, among other things, originals, photocopies of originals or certified copies of the following documents:

We have examined (i) the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as amended, as on file with the Secretary of the State of Delaware, and the certificate or articles of incorporation of each Guarantor as on file with the Secretary of State or other appropriate official in its jurisdiction of organization, (ii) the By-Laws of the Company and each of the Guarantors as amended to date, certified by the applicable secretary or assistant secretary, (iii) the Purchase Agreement, (iv) the Indenture, (v) the Registration Rights Agreement, (vi) a form certificate for the Notes (vii) resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company authorizing, inter alia, the delivery of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum, the

issuance of the Securities and related matters, certified by the Secretary of the Company and resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of each of the Guarantors authorizing the execution and delivery of the Guarantees, and (viii) such other documents, certificates, legal opinions, corporate records, statutes and decisions as we deemed necessary or appropriate for the purposes of this opinion.

The documents, agreements and instruments referred to in clauses (iii) through (vi) above are referred to herein as the "Transaction Documents."

In making such examination and in rendering the opinions set forth below, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures (other than those officers of the Company and the Guarantors), the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to us as certified or photostatic copies and the authenticity of the originals of such latter documents. We have relied upon the aforesaid documents with respect to the accuracy of material factual matters contained therein. As to any facts relevant to our opinion which were not independently established, we have relied upon information given to us by officers of the Company and the Guarantors. We have made no independent examination of factual matters set forth in the aforesaid documents or representations for the purpose of rendering this opinion. We know of no facts, however, which lead us to believe that such factual matters are untrue or inaccurate in any material respect.

We have also examined to our satisfaction such officers' certificates, with respect to the accuracy of material factual matters contained therein and not independently established, documents, records and statements of officers and other representatives of the Company or the Guarantors and made such inquiries of law as we have deemed appropriate or necessary as the basis for the opinions set forth below.

We have assumed that each of the parties to the Transaction Documents (other than the Company and the Guarantors) has the power and authority and has taken the action necessary to authorize the execution and delivery of, and the performance of its obligations under, the Transaction Documents to which it is a party, that such Transaction Documents have been validly executed and delivered by each such party and are binding thereon, and that no consent, approval, authorization, declaration or filing by or with any governmental commission, board or agency, which has not been obtained or made, is required for the valid execution or delivery by such party of, or the performance of its obligations under, the Transaction Documents.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing, and subject to the exceptions, qualifications, limitations, assumptions and reliances stated herein, it is our opinion that:

(a) The Company and each of the Guarantors have been duly organized and are validly existing and in good standing under the laws of their respective jurisdictions of organization, are duly qualified to do business and are in good standing in each jurisdiction in which their respective ownership or lease of property or the conduct of their respective businesses requires such qualification, and have all power and authority necessary to own or hold their respective properties and to conduct the businesses in which they are engaged, except where the failure to be so qualified or have such power or authority would not have a Material Adverse Effect;

(b) The Company has an authorized capitalization as set forth in the Offering Memorandum under the heading "Capitalization"; and all the outstanding shares of capital stock or other equity interests of each Guarantor have been duly and validly authorized and issued, are fully paid and non-assessable;

(c) The Company and each of the Guarantors have full right, power and authority to execute and deliver each of the Transaction Documents to which each is a party and to perform their respective obligations thereunder; and all action required to be taken for the due and proper authorization, execution and delivery of each of the Transaction Documents and the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby has been duly and validly taken;

(d) The Indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and each of the Guarantors and, assuming due execution and delivery thereof by the Trustee, constitutes a valid and legally binding agreement of the Company and each of the Guarantors enforceable against the Company and each of the Guarantors in accordance with its terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions; and the Indenture conforms in all material respects with the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission applicable to an indenture that is qualified thereunder.

(e) The Notes have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and, when duly authenticated as provided in the Indenture and paid for as provided in the Purchase Agreement, will be duly and validly issued and outstanding and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture; and the Guarantees have been duly authorized by each of the Guarantors and, when the Notes have been duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as provided in the Indenture and paid for as provided in the Purchase Agreement, will be valid and legally binding obligations of each of the Guarantors, enforceable against each of the Guarantors in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture;

(f) The Exchange Securities have been duly authorized by the Company and each of the Guarantors and, when duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as contemplated by the Registration Rights Agreement, will be duly and validly issued and outstanding and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company, as issuer, and each of the Guarantors, as guarantor, enforceable against the Company and each of the Guarantors in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture;

(g) The Purchase Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and the Guarantors; and the Registration Rights Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and each of the Guarantors and, when duly executed and delivered by the other parties thereto, will constitute a valid and legally binding agreement of the Company and each of the Guarantors enforceable against the Company and each of the Guarantors in accordance with its terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and except that rights to indemnity and contribution thereunder may be limited by applicable law and public policy;

(h) Each Transaction Document conforms in all material respects to the description thereof contained in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum;

(i) The execution, delivery and performance by the Company and each of the Guarantors of each of the Transaction Documents to which each is a party, the issuance and sale of the Securities (including the Guarantees) and compliance by the Company and each of the Guarantors with the terms thereof and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents will not (i) to our knowledge conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the

Company or any of the Guarantors pursuant to, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any of the Guarantors is a party or by which the Company or any of the Guarantors is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Company or any of the Guarantors is subject, (ii) result in any violation of the provisions of the charter or by-laws or similar organizational documents of the Company or any of the Guarantors or (iii) result in the violation of any law or statute known to us or to our knowledge any judgment, order, rule or regulation of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority, except, in the case of clauses (i) and (iii) above, for any such conflict, breach or violation that would not have a Material Adverse Effect;

(j) No consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority is required for the execution, delivery and performance by the Company and each of the Guarantors of each of the Transaction Documents to which each is a party, the issuance and sale of the Securities (including the Guarantees) and compliance by the Company and each of the Guarantors with the terms thereof and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents, except for such consents, approvals, authorizations, orders and registrations or qualifications as may be required (i) under applicable state securities laws in connection with the purchase and resale of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers, (ii) with respect to the Exchange Securities under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws as contemplated by the Registration Rights Agreement and (iii) which would not result in a Material Adverse Effect if not obtained;

(k) To our knowledge, except as described in the Offering Memorandum, there are no legal, governmental or regulatory investigations, actions, suits or proceedings pending to which the Company or any Guarantor is or may be a party or to which any property of the Company or any Guarantor is or may be the subject that, if determined adversely to the Company or any Guarantor, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and to our knowledge, no such investigations, actions, suits or proceedings are threatened or contemplated by any governmental or regulatory authority or any other third-party;

(l) The descriptions in the Offering Memorandum of statutes, legal, governmental and regulatory proceedings and contracts and other documents in so far as such descriptions are summaries thereof are accurate in all material respects;

(m) The documents incorporated by reference in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum (other than the financial statements and other financial information contained therein, as to which we express no opinion), when filed with the Commission, conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder;

(n) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is an "investment company" or an entity "controlled" by an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act;

(o) Neither the issuance, sale and delivery of the Securities nor the application of the proceeds thereof by the Company as described in the Offering Memorandum will violate Regulation T, U or X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System;

(p) Assuming the accuracy of the representations, warranties and agreements of the Company, the Guarantors and the Initial Purchasers contained in the Purchase Agreement, it is not necessary, in connection with the issuance and sale of the Securities to the Initial Purchasers and the offer, resale and delivery of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers in the manner contemplated by the Purchase Agreement and the Offering Memorandum, to register the Securities under the Securities Act or to qualify the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act.

The opinions, expressed herein are subject in all respects to the following further qualifications, limitations and exclusions:

1. The opinions set forth above with respect to the enforceability of the Transaction Documents are subject to the effects of laws relating to fraudulent conveyances, transfers and obligations, including, without limitation, Bankruptcy Code Section 548, the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act and other laws in pari materia. The foregoing opinions with respect to enforceability are further qualified by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws or equitable principals affecting creditor's rights generally and by general principles of equity, public policy considerations, judicial discretion and general requirements of good faith and fair dealing and commercial reasonableness (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

2. The enforceability of any acceleration rights and the availability of equitable remedies may be limited by equitable principals of general applicability.

3. We express no opinion as to any provisions in the Transaction Documents relating to the waiver of any defenses or rights, jurisdiction or release of any party.

4. We express no opinion as to the enforceability of the indemnification or contribution provisions contained in any of the Transaction Documents (including without limitation indemnification and contribution provisions relating to violations of securities laws) insofar as said provisions may be limited by applicable law, contravene public policy or may otherwise require indemnification, contribution or payments with respect to any litigation against a party to any of the Transaction Documents determined adversely to the other party or parties to such litigation, or any loss, cost or expense arising out of an indemnified party's gross negligence or willful misconduct or any violation by an indemnified party of statutory duties, general principles of equity or public policy.

5. Our opinions are issued as of the date hereof and are limited to the laws now in effect as to which our opinions relate and facts and circumstances in existence on the date hereof, and we assume no undertaking to advise you of any changes in the opinions expressed herein as a result of any change in any laws, facts or circumstances which may come to our attention after the date hereof.

6. References in the opinions above to matters "known to us," a statement made "to our knowledge" or words of similar import are intended to indicate that, during the course of our representation of the Company, no information that would give current actual knowledge of the inaccuracy of such statement has come to the attention of those attorneys in this Firm who have had regular involvement in representing the Company. Furthermore, with your permission we have made no independent investigation of any such matter other than as set forth herein and no inferences to the contrary should be drawn from our representation of the Company in this matter.

The qualifications and exceptions set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) above are herein referred to as the Enforceability Exceptions.

The opinions expressed herein are limited to matters governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New York and the Federal laws of the United States of America, in each case as presently enacted and construed.

In addition, we have participated in conferences with officers and other representatives of the Company, representatives of Ernest & Young LLP and with representatives of the Initial Purchasers at which the contents of the Offering Memorandum, and any supplements or

amendments thereto, and related matters were discussed and, although we are not passing upon (other than as specified above) and do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the statements contained in the Offering Memorandum, on the basis of the foregoing, we do not have any knowledge which leads us to believe that the Offering Memorandum (including the Exchange Act Documents), as of its date or at the Closing Date, contained or contains an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or omits to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (it being understood that we express no opinion as to the financial statements or other financial data included in the Offering Memorandum or the Exchange Act Documents).

This letter is furnished solely for your benefit in connection with matters relating to the Transaction Documents and may not be used or relied upon by any other person or for any other purpose without our prior written consent, except that Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP, counsel to the Initial Purchasers, are authorized to rely on this opinion as to all matters of Pennsylvania law expressed herein.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Reed Smith LLP

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AMENDMENT NO. 7 TO AMENDED AND RESTATED
REFINANCING CREDIT AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 7 (this "Amendment") is dated as of May 17, 2003, and amends the Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 19, 1999, by and among WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION (formerly known as Westinghouse Air Brake Company) ("Borrower") and THE GUARANTORS FROM TIME TO TIME PARTY THERETO ("Guarantors") and THE BANKS FROM TIME TO TIME PARTY THERETO ("Banks") and LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as bookrunner and co-syndication agent ("Agent"), JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, as administrative agent, and THE BANK OF NEW YORK, as co-syndication agent, MELLON BANK, N.A., as documentation agent, LASALLE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as an issuing bank, ABN AMRO BANK N.V., as an issuing bank, and CHASE MANHATTAN BANK USA, N.A. (successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank Delaware), as an issuing bank, as amended by Amendment No. 1 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 16, 2000, Amendment No. 2 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of March 30, 2001, Amendment No. 3 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of July 18, 2001, Consent and Amendment No. 4 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of September 17, 2001, Amendment No. 5 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 14, 2001, and Amendment No. 6 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 13, 2002 (as so amended, the "Credit Agreement").

BACKGROUND

The parties hereto desire to amend the Credit Agreement to (i) permit the Borrower and its Subsidiaries to increase their use of surety bonds in response to the expansion of their business with transit authorities and other customers, (ii) permit the Loan Parties to provide customers of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries with assurances of performance without the necessity of a surety company, and (iii) provide for a successor to an Issuing Bank.

OPERATIVE PROVISIONS

NOW THEREFORE, the parties hereto, in consideration of their mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, incorporating the above-defined terms herein, and intending to be legally bound hereby agree as follows:

Article I
Consent and Amendments

1.01 Defined Terms; References. Terms not otherwise defined in this Amendment shall have the respective meanings ascribed to them in the Credit Agreement. As used in this Amendment, "including" is not a term of limitation and means "including without limitation." Each reference to "hereof," "hereunder," "herein," and "hereby" and similar references contained in the Credit Agreement and each reference to "this Agreement" and similar references contained in the Credit Agreement shall, on and after the date hereof, refer to the Credit Agreement as amended hereby

1.02 Amendment of Credit Agreement.

(a) Definition of Indebtedness. The definition of "Indebtedness " as set forth in Section 1.1 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

"Indebtedness shall mean, as to any Person at any time, any and all indebtedness, obligations, or liabilities (whether matured or unmatured, liquidated or unliquidated, direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, or joint or several) of such Person for or in respect of: (i) borrowed money, (ii) amounts raised under or liabilities in respect of any note purchase or acceptance credit facility, (iii) reimbursement or payment obligations (contingent or otherwise) under or in connection with any letter of credit, surety bond (but only to the extent that the aggregate amount reasonably determined to remain payable under all surety bonds outstanding at any time exceeds \$200,000,000), or Swap Agreement, with the value of any such Swap Agreement being determined at the end of each quarter in accordance with a method of valuation reasonably acceptable to the Agent based upon a daily mark-to-market method of calculation, (iv) any other transaction (including forward sale or purchase agreements, capitalized leases, synthetic leases, and conditional sales agreements) having the commercial effect of a borrowing of money entered into by such Person to finance its operations or capital requirements (but not including trade payables and accrued expenses incurred in the ordinary course of business which are not represented by a promissory note or other evidence of indebtedness and which are not more than sixty (60) days past due), (v) the current portion of mandatory redeemable stock or similar interests, or (vi) any Guaranty of Indebtedness."

(b) Definition of Issuing Bank. The definition of "Issuing Bank " as set forth in Section 1.1 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

"Issuing Bank shall mean ABN AMRO Bank N.V., Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A. (or its assignee, JPMorgan Chase Bank), or LaSalle, provided that with respect to any Letters of Credit issued hereunder (other than those Letters of Credit deemed to be issued hereunder pursuant to Section 11.19 hereof) (i) on or after the date hereof, but prior to July 18, 2001, the Issuing Bank shall mean only ABN AMRO Bank N.V., and (ii) on or after July 18, 2001, the Issuing Bank shall mean only LaSalle."

(c) Intercompany Guaranties of Performance Permitted. The following text is hereby added to Section 8.2.3 of the Credit Agreement immediately before the period at the end of such Section, with effect at all times prior to and from the date hereof:

"and (iii) notwithstanding any other provision hereof (but subject to the proviso below), Guaranties of performance, completion, quality, and the like provided by Borrower or any Subsidiary of Borrower with respect to performance or similar obligations owing to a Person by Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries provided, however, that the sum of all amounts paid plus all costs incurred, as the case may be, by the Loan Parties with respect to Guaranties of the performance or similar obligations of all non-domestic Subsidiaries of Borrower, to the extent such amounts paid or costs incurred by Loan Parties are not repaid or reimbursed by the non-domestic Subsidiaries of Borrower, shall be deemed to be (A) Indebtedness of non-domestic Subsidiaries of Borrower owing to Loan Parties for the purposes, and subject to the limitations, of Section 8.2.1(iv), and (B) loans by Loan Parties to non-domestic Subsidiaries of Borrower for the purposes, and subject to the limitations, of Section 8.2.4(iii) (as determined by reference to Clause (v) of the definition herein of "Permitted Investments") and Section

8.2.5(2)(ii). For the avoidance of doubt and other than as is set forth in Clause (iii) of the preceding sentence, none of the obligations incurred or amounts paid or costs incurred by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to such Guaranties of the performance or similar obligations of Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries shall be deemed to be Indebtedness of or a loan to Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries.

Article II Representations and Warranties

As of the date hereof, the Loan Parties, jointly and severally, represent and warrant to the Agent and each of the Banks as follows:

2.01 Authorization. The execution and delivery by the Loan Parties of this Amendment, the consummation by the Loan Parties of the transactions contemplated by the Credit Agreement as amended hereby, and the performance by each Loan Party of its respective obligations hereunder and thereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate proceedings, if any, on the part of each Loan Party. On the date of Borrower's execution hereof, there are no set-offs, claims, defenses, counterclaims, causes of action, or deductions of any nature against any of the Obligations.

2.02 Valid and Binding. This Amendment has been duly and validly executed and delivered by each Loan Party and constitutes, and the Credit Agreement as amended hereby constitutes, the legal, valid and binding obligations of each Loan Party enforceable in accordance with the terms hereof and thereof, except as the enforceability of this Amendment or the Credit Agreement as amended hereby may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar laws of general application affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights or by general principles of equity limiting the availability of equitable remedies.

2.03 No Conflicts. Neither the execution and delivery of this Amendment nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby or by the Credit Agreement as amended hereby nor compliance with the terms and provisions hereof or of the Credit Agreement as amended hereby, by any of the Loan Parties, will (a) violate any Law, (b) conflict with or result in a breach of or a default under the articles or certificate of incorporation or bylaws or similar organizational documents of any Loan Party or any material agreement or instrument to which any Loan Party is a party or by which any Loan Party or any of their respective properties (now owned or hereafter acquired) may be subject or bound, (c) require any consent or approval of any Person or require a mandatory prepayment or any other payment under the terms of any material agreement or instrument to which any Loan Party is a party or by which any Loan Party or any of their respective properties (now owned or hereafter acquired) may be subject or bound, (d) result in the creation or imposition of any Lien upon any property (now owned or hereafter acquired) of any Loan Party, or (e) require any authorization, consent, approval, license, permit, exemption or other action by, or any registration, qualification, designation, declaration or filing with, any Official Body.

2.04 No Defaults. After giving effect to the amendments and consents made herein: (i) no Event of Default under and as defined in the Credit Agreement has occurred and is continuing, and (ii) the representations and warranties of each of Borrower and the other Loan Parties contained in the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents are true and correct on and as of the date hereof with the same force and effect as though made on such date, except to the extent that any such representation or warranty expressly relates solely to a previous date.

Article III
Effect, Effectiveness, Consent of Guarantors

3.01 Effectiveness. Except as otherwise set forth herein, this Amendment shall become effective as of the date hereof on the date that Agent shall have received from each of the Borrower, the other Loan Parties, and the Required Banks a counterpart hereof signed by such party or facsimile or other written confirmation (in form satisfactory to Agent) that such party has signed a counterpart hereof. Within forty-five (45) days of the date hereof, each of the Loan Parties shall have delivered to the Agent a certificate signed by the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of such Loan Party certifying as to (i) the articles, bylaws, and relevant resolutions, and due authorization to enter into this Amendment, of such Loan Party, and (ii) the officer of such Loan Party, and her or his specimen signature, executing this Amendment on its behalf.

3.02 Amendment. The Credit Agreement is hereby amended in accordance with the terms hereof, and this Amendment and the Credit Agreement shall hereafter be one agreement and any reference to the Credit Agreement in any document, instrument, or agreement shall hereafter mean and include the Credit Agreement as amended hereby. In the event of irreconcilable inconsistency between the terms or provisions hereof and the terms or provisions of the Credit Agreement, the terms and provisions hereof shall control.

3.03 Joinder of Guarantors. Each of the Guarantors hereby joins in this Amendment to evidence its consent hereto, and each Guarantor hereby reaffirms its obligations set forth in the Credit Agreement, as hereby amended, and in each Guaranty Agreement and each other Loan Document given by it in connection therewith.

Article IV
Miscellaneous

4.01 Credit Agreement. Except as specifically amended by the provisions hereof, the Credit Agreement and all other Loan Documents shall remain in full force and effect and are hereby ratified and confirmed by the parties hereto.

4.02 Counterparts, Telecopy Signatures. This Amendment may be signed in any number of counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument; and, delivery of executed signature pages hereof by telecopy transmission from one party to another shall constitute effective and binding execution and delivery of this Amendment by such party.

4.03 Governing Law. This Amendment shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania without regard to its conflict of laws principles.

4.04 Severability. If any provision of this Amendment, or the application thereof to any party hereto, shall be held invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provisions or applications of this Amendment which can be given effect without the invalid and unenforceable provision or application, and to this end the parties hereto agree that the provisions of this Amendment are and shall be severable.

4.05 Banks' Consent. Each Bank, by its execution hereof, hereby consents to this Amendment pursuant Section 11.1 of the Credit Agreement.

[SIGNATURE PAGES FOLLOW]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, by their officers thereunto duly authorized, have executed this Amendment as of the day and year first above written.

[BORROWER]

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES
CORPORATION (f/k/a Westinghouse Air Brake
Company)

By: _____ (SEAL)

Name:
Title:

[GUARANTORS]

RAILROAD FRICTION PRODUCTS
CORPORATION; RFPC HOLDING CORP.;
WABTEC RAILWAY ELECTRONICS CORPORATION
(formerly known as MotivePower Canada
Corporation); WABTEC DISTRIBUTION
COMPANY; MOTIVEPOWER, INC.; YOUNG
TOUCHSTONE COMPANY (successor by merger
to Wabtec Engine Systems Company); WABTEC
HOLDING CORP.; WABTEC CORPORATION; WABTEC
TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

By: _____ (SEAL)

Name:
Title: Vice President or Treasurer of
each of the above listed companies

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[BANKS AND AGENTS]

LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
individually and as Agent, Bookrunner,
Co-Syndication Agent, and an Issuing Bank

By: _____

Name:

Title:

ABN AMRO BANK N.V., as an Issuing Bank

By: -----

Name:
Title:

By: -----

Name:
Title:

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MELLON BANK, N.A., individually and as
Documentation Agent

By: _____

Name:

Title:

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JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, individually and as
Administrative Agent

By: _____

Name:

Title:

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NATIONAL CITY BANK OF PENNSYLVANIA

By: -----

Name:

Title:

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PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By:

Name:

Title:

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FLEET NATIONAL BANK (formerly BankBoston,
N.A.)

By: _____

Name:

Title:

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U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By: -----

Name:

Title:

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THE BANK OF NEW YORK, individually and as
Co-Syndication Agent

By: -----

Name:

Title:

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BANK ONE, N.A.

By:

Name:

Title:

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WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
(formerly, First Union National Bank)

By: -----

Name:
Title:

DZ BANK AG DEUTSCHE ZENTRAL-
GENOSSENSCHAFTSBANK, FRANKFURT AM MAIN
(successor by merger to DG BANK DEUTSCHE
GENOSSENSCHAFTSBANK AG)

By: _____
Name:
Title:

By: _____
Name:
Title:

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THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA

By: -----

Name:

Title:

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BANK OF TOKYO-MITSUBISHI TRUST CO.

By:

Name:

Title:

CREDIT AGRICOLE INDOSUEZ

By: -----

Name:
Title:

By: -----

Name:
Title:

CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON

By: -----

Name:
Title:

By: -----

Name:
Title:

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MIZUHO CORPORATE BANK, LIMITED (formerly
The Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank, Ltd.)

By: _____

Name:

Title:

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MANUFACTURERS AND TRADERS TRUST COMPANY

By: -----

Name:

Title:

SUNTRUST BANK

By:

Name:

Title:

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FIFTH THIRD BANK

By: -----

Name:

Title:

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CITIZENS BANK OF PENNSYLVANIA

By: -----

Name:

Title:

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JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, successor by
assignment from CHASE MANHATTAN BANK USA,
N.A., as an Issuing Bank

By: _____
Name:
Title:

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AMENDMENT NO. 8 TO AMENDED AND RESTATED
REFINANCING CREDIT AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 8 (this "Amendment") is dated as of July 17, 2003, and amends the Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 19, 1999, by and among WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION (formerly known as Westinghouse Air Brake Company) ("Borrower") and THE GUARANTORS FROM TIME TO TIME PARTY THERETO ("Guarantors") and THE BANKS FROM TIME TO TIME PARTY THERETO ("Banks") and LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as bookrunner and co-syndication agent ("Agent"), JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, as administrative agent, and THE BANK OF NEW YORK, as co-syndication agent, MELLON BANK, N.A., as documentation agent, LASALLE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as an issuing bank, ABN AMRO BANK N.V., as an issuing bank, and CHASE MANHATTAN BANK USA, N.A. (successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank Delaware), as an issuing bank, as amended by Amendment No. 1 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 16, 2000, Amendment No. 2 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of March 30, 2001, Amendment No. 3 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of July 18, 2001, Consent and Amendment No. 4 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of September 17, 2001, Amendment No. 5 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 14, 2001, Amendment No. 6 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of November 13, 2002, and Amendment No. 7 to Amended and Restated Refinancing Credit Agreement, dated as of May 17, 2003 (as so amended, the "Credit Agreement").

BACKGROUND

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth below, the parties hereto desire to amend the Credit Agreement to permit the Borrower to incur certain indebtedness and permit certain of its Subsidiaries to guaranty the same.

OPERATIVE PROVISIONS

NOW THEREFORE, the parties hereto, in consideration of their mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, incorporating the above-defined terms herein, and intending to be legally bound hereby agree as follows:

Article I
Consent and Amendments

1.01 Defined Terms; References. Terms not otherwise defined in this Amendment shall have the respective meanings ascribed to them in the Credit Agreement. As used in this Amendment, "including" is not a term of limitation and means "including without limitation." Each reference to "hereof," "hereunder," "herein," and "hereby" and similar references contained in the Credit Agreement and each reference to "this Agreement" and similar references contained in the Credit Agreement shall, on and after the date hereof, refer to the Credit Agreement as amended hereby.

1.02 Amendment of Credit Agreement, Additional Provisions.

(a) Additional Definitions. The following definitions are hereby added to Section 1.1 of the Credit Agreement in the appropriate alphabetical order:

"Permitted Indenture Notes shall mean the notes issued by Borrower pursuant to the Permitted Note Indenture and which are not inconsistent therewith.

Permitted Note Indenture shall mean the indenture, dated no later than October 31, 2003, among Borrower and the Bank of New York, as Trustee, and any amendment, restatement, modification, supplement, refinancing, or the like thereto or thereof, provided that such indenture and any amendment, restatement, modification, supplement, refinancing, or the like thereto or thereof and the Indebtedness arising thereunder meets all of the following requirements:

(i) the aggregate principal amount of such Indebtedness at any time outstanding shall not exceed \$175,000,000;

(ii) no portion of the principal amount of such Indebtedness shall be due prior to ten (10) years after the date of issuance thereof, other than any mandatory payments required solely in the event of a Significant Disposition, provided that proceeds arising from a Significant Disposition are first allowed by the Permitted Note Indenture to be utilized by Borrower to prepay Obligations or to be timely utilized by Borrower to acquire replacement or additional assets;

(iii) the rate of interest applicable to such Indebtedness shall not exceed 8.0%;

(iv) after giving effect to the issuance of such Indebtedness, the Loan Parties shall be in compliance with the covenants and other requirements of this Agreement (including those set forth at Sections 8.2.14 [Minimum Interest Coverage Ratio], 8.2.15 [Maximum Debt to Cash Flow], and 8.2.16 [Minimum Tangible Net Worth] of this Agreement) and no Event of Default or Potential Default shall exist or be continuing and Borrower shall on a pro-forma basis demonstrate compliance with Sections 8.2.14 [Minimum Interest Coverage Ratio], 8.2.15 [Maximum Debt to Cash Flow], and 8.2.16 [Minimum Tangible Net Worth] by providing to Agent the calculation relating to each such Section as if such indenture, and any resulting paydown of the Obligations and other obligations of Borrower had been incurred at the beginning of the applicable period or at the date relevant to each such calculation;

(v) the events of default and covenants applicable to such Indebtedness shall not be more restrictive, in any material respect, than the Events of Default and covenants governing those or similar matters which are set forth in this Agreement;

(vi) the payment of such Indebtedness shall not be secured (other than to the extent of customary rights of set off) by any Lien on any property or assets of any Loan Party;

(vii) no Person other than a Loan Party shall provide any Guaranty of any such Indebtedness;

(viii) such indenture and any amendment, restatement, modification, supplement, refinancing, or the like thereto or thereof shall not prohibit or restrict any Loan Party from providing any Lien, now or hereafter, to the Agent or any Bank to secure the payment or performance of any or all of the Obligations and, in the event any such Lien is provided, such indenture and any amendment, restatement, modification, supplement, refinancing, or the like thereto or thereof shall not require Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries to provide any Lien to secure payment or performance of any obligation arising under such indenture or any amendment, restatement, modification, supplement, refinancing, or the like thereto or thereof;

(ix) all Obligations of the Loan Parties under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall not conflict with or violate the terms of such indenture or any amendment, restatement, modification, supplement, refinancing, or the like thereto or thereof, and any Loans made or hereafter made to the Borrower and any Letters of Credit issued or hereafter issued under the Agreement shall be permitted to be incurred under such indenture and any amendment, restatement, modification, supplement, refinancing, or the like thereto or thereof;

(x) such Indebtedness and such indenture and any amendment, restatement, modification, supplement, refinancing, or the like thereto or thereof will not conflict with or violate the terms of this Agreement or any other Loan Document; and

(xi) prior to the issuance of such Indebtedness, the Agent shall have received copies of drafts in final form or execution copies of such indenture, the Permitted Indenture Notes, and all material documents with respect to such Indebtedness and such documents shall be reasonably acceptable to the Agent based upon the requirements of this definition of Permitted Note Indenture.

The Loan Parties shall promptly after the issuance of such Indebtedness deliver to the Agent and the Banks a copy of the material documents with respect to the issuance of such Indebtedness.

Significant Disposition shall mean (i) any direct or indirect sale, transfer, disposition, or lease of assets by any one or more Loan Parties ("Asset Disposition"), (ii) any sale, transfer, or other disposition (or series of related sales, transfers, or other dispositions) by any Loan Party of any shares, interests, rights to purchase, warrants, options, participations, or other equivalents of or interests in (however designated) equity of any Loan Party (other than directors' qualifying shares or shares required by applicable Law to be held by a Person other than a Loan Party and other than sales, transfers, or other dispositions of capital stock by a Loan Party to another Loan Party) ("Equity Disposition"), and (iii) any receipt of insurance proceeds arising from a loss or casualty to property of any Loan Party ("Casualty Disposition").

Significant Disposition Amount shall mean an amount of principal indebtedness payable or prepayable at any time pursuant to the Permitted Note Indenture in connection

with a Significant Disposition without giving effect to any payment or prepayment made under the Credit Agreement and without giving effect, on the one-hundred eightieth (180th) day after an Asset Disposition or Equity Disposition or on the two hundred seventieth (270th) day after a Casualty Disposition, to any unconsummated acquisition of additional or replacement assets."

(b) Permitted Indebtedness. (i) Section 8.2.1(v) is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

"(v) Unsecured Indebtedness of a domestic Loan Party to another domestic Loan Party, provided that all such Indebtedness is at all times subject to the Intercompany Subordination Agreement;"

(ii) The following text is added before the period at the end of Section 8.2.1 of the Credit Agreement:

"; and

(x) Indebtedness arising under the Permitted Note Indenture."

(c) Negative Pledges. The reference to Section 8.2.1(v)(B) in the first sentence of Section 8.2.8 is hereby changed to be a reference to Section 8.2.1(x), and the Loan Parties acknowledge and agree the reference to "Indentures or any permitted refinancings thereof" does not include the Permitted Note Indenture.

(d) Contemporaneous Prepayment, Reduction of Commitments. Upon receipt of proceeds arising from the Permitted Indenture Notes (or any similar notes which would be Permitted Indenture Notes but for the failure to meet one or more of the criteria set forth in the definition of "Permitted Note Indenture"): (i) the Revolving Credit Commitments shall permanently and irrevocably be reduced to an amount equal to \$167,229,729.73 and the Convertible Revolving Credit Commitments shall permanently and irrevocably be reduced to an amount equal to \$57,770,270.27; (ii) Borrower shall make a prepayment of the Loans in an aggregate principal amount no less than that required by Section 5.4.4(b), together with the payment of such other amounts as required by Section 5.4.4(a); and (iii) notwithstanding any provision of the Credit Agreement to the contrary, the respective Commitments of each of the Banks shall be as is set forth on Schedule 1.1(B) hereto, and Schedule 1.1(B) to the Credit Agreement is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety with Schedule 1.1(B) hereto.

(e) Prepayments. The following Section 5.5 is hereby added to the Credit Agreement:

5.5 Mandatory Prepayments.

5.5.1 Mandatory Prepayment Upon Significant Disposition.

Within one-hundred eighty (180) days of an Asset Disposition or Equity Disposition and within two hundred seventy (270) days of a Casualty Disposition, Borrower shall prepay the principal amount of the Committed Loans and Bid Loans outstanding and cash collateralize the Letters of Credit Outstanding (in the order and manner set forth below in Section 5.5.2) in an aggregate amount equal to the Significant Disposition Amount; provided, however, that in the event that there are no outstanding Committed Loans or Bid Loans and there are no Letters of Credit Outstanding or in the event that the sum of the

outstanding Committed Loans, Bid Loans, and Letters of Credit Outstanding is less than the Significant Disposition Amount, Borrower shall prepay all Committed Loans and Bid Loans outstanding and cash collateralize all Letters of Credit Outstanding (in the manner set forth below) within one-hundred eighty (180) days of an Asset Disposition or Equity Disposition and within two hundred seventy (270) days of a Casualty Disposition, as the case may be. Any prepayment hereunder shall be subject to the Borrower's obligation to indemnify the Lenders under Section 5.6.2 [Indemnity].

5.5.2 Application Among Loans and Interest Rate Options; Cash Collateral Under Certain Circumstances.

All prepayments and cash collateral required pursuant to this Section 5.5 shall: (a) first be applied to prepay Committed Loans and, as among the Interest Rate Options applicable to Committed Loans, first to the principal amount of the Committed Loans subject to the Base Rate Option, then to Committed Loans subject to a Committed Loan Euro-Rate Option then to Committed Loans subject to an interest rate based upon a Cost of Funds Rate; (b) second be deposited by Borrower in a non-interest bearing account with the Agent, as cash collateral for the Obligations, in an amount equal to the lesser of the amount of the Letters of Credit Outstanding or the balance of the amount remaining for prepayment or cash collateral pursuant to this Section 5.5 after application of the prepayment amount pursuant to Clause (a) directly above, and the Borrower hereby pledges to the Agent and the Banks, and grants to the Agent and the Banks a security interest in, all such cash and deposits as security for such Obligations; and (c) third be applied to Bid Loans and, if more than one, pro ratably as among all Bid Loans (subject to any Bid Loan lender having the option to elect not to receive prepayment of its Bid Loan). Upon and to the extent of the expiration of, or the payment by Borrower (by way of Revolving Credit Loans or otherwise) of the Reimbursement Obligations relating to, Letters of Credit Outstanding that are cash collateralized pursuant to this Section 5.5, such cash collateral shall to such extent be released and returned to the Borrower upon its request except to the extent any such cash collateral is utilized to pay any such Reimbursement Obligations.

(f) Release of Canadian Subsidiary from Guaranty. At the request of Borrower in connection with the Permitted Note Indenture and in light of the representation and warranty of Borrower set forth at Section 2.05 below, the Agent on behalf of the Banks and itself hereby releases Wabtec Railway Electronics Corporation (formerly known as MotivePower Canada Corporation) from any and all obligations applicable to Wabtec Railway Electronics Corporation under the Guaranty or any other Loan Document; and each of the Banks, Borrower, and each of the remaining Guarantors hereby consent to such release.

Article II Representations and Warranties

As of the date hereof, the Loan Parties, jointly and severally, represent and warrant to the Agent and each of the Banks as follows:

2.01 Authorization. The execution and delivery by the Loan Parties of this Amendment, the consummation by the Loan Parties of the transactions contemplated by the Credit Agreement as amended hereby, and the performance by each Loan Party of its respective obligations hereunder and thereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate proceedings, if any, on the part of each Loan Party.

On the date of Borrower's execution hereof, there are no set-offs, claims, defenses, counterclaims, causes of action, or deductions of any nature against any of the Obligations.

2.02 Valid and Binding. This Amendment has been duly and validly executed and delivered by each Loan Party and constitutes, and the Credit Agreement as amended hereby constitutes, the legal, valid and binding obligations of each Loan Party enforceable in accordance with the terms hereof and thereof, except as the enforceability of this Amendment or the Credit Agreement as amended hereby may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar laws of general application affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights or by general principles of equity limiting the availability of equitable remedies.

2.03 No Conflicts. Neither the execution and delivery of this Amendment nor the consummation and performance of the transactions contemplated hereby or by the Credit Agreement as amended hereby nor compliance with the terms and provisions hereof or of the Credit Agreement as amended hereby nor the consummation and performance of the transactions relating to the Permitted Note Indenture, by any of the Loan Parties, will (a) violate any Law, (b) conflict with or result in a breach of or a default under the articles or certificate of incorporation or bylaws or similar organizational documents of any Loan Party or any material agreement or instrument to which any Loan Party is a party or by which any Loan Party or any of their respective properties (now owned or hereafter acquired) may be subject or bound, (c) require any consent or approval of any Person or require a mandatory prepayment or any other payment under the terms of any material agreement or instrument to which any Loan Party is a party or by which any Loan Party or any of their respective properties (now owned or hereafter acquired) may be subject or bound, (d) result in the creation or imposition of any Lien upon any property (now owned or hereafter acquired) of any Loan Party, or (e) require any authorization, consent, approval, license, permit, exemption or other action by, or any registration, qualification, designation, declaration or filing with, any Official Body.

2.04 No Defaults. After giving effect to the amendments and consents made herein and after giving effect to the Permitted Note Indenture: (i) no Event of Default under and as defined in the Credit Agreement has occurred and is continuing, and (ii) the representations and warranties of each of Borrower and the other Loan Parties contained in the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents are true and correct on and as of the date hereof with the same force and effect as though made on such date, except to the extent that any such representation or warranty expressly relates solely to a previous date.

2.05 Wabtec Railway Electronics Corporation (formerly known as MotivePower Canada Corporation). To induce the Agent on behalf of the Banks and itself to release Wabtec Railway Electronics Corporation (formerly known as MotivePower Canada Corporation) from its obligations under the Guaranty and the other Loan Documents, Borrower hereby represents that Wabtec Railway Electronics Corporation (formerly known as MotivePower Canada Corporation) is an unlimited company incorporated under the Companies Act of Nova Scotia and, as such, retains no significant earnings and is a mere pass-through entity with no material net worth.

Article III Effect, Effectiveness, Consent of Guarantors

3.01 Effectiveness. This Amendment shall become effective as of the date on which Agent shall have received from each of the Borrower, the other Loan Parties, and the Required Banks a counterpart hereof signed by such party or facsimile or other written confirmation (in form satisfactory to

Agent) that such party has signed a counterpart hereof. Within forty-five (45) days of the date hereof, each of the Loan Parties shall have delivered to the Agent a certificate signed by the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of such Loan Party certifying as to (i) the articles, bylaws, and relevant resolutions, and due authorization to enter into this Amendment, of such Loan Party, and (ii) the officer of such Loan Party, and her or his specimen signature, executing this Amendment on its behalf.

3.02 Amendment. The Credit Agreement is hereby amended in accordance with the terms hereof, and this Amendment and the Credit Agreement shall hereafter be one agreement and any reference to the Credit Agreement in any document, instrument, or agreement shall hereafter mean and include the Credit Agreement as amended hereby. In the event of irreconcilable inconsistency between the terms or provisions hereof and the terms or provisions of the Credit Agreement, the terms and provisions hereof shall control and amend any such irrevocably inconsistent provisions of the Credit Agreement.

3.03 Joinder of Guarantors. Each of the Guarantors hereby joins in this Amendment to evidence its consent hereto, and each Guarantor hereby reaffirms its obligations set forth in the Credit Agreement, as hereby amended, and in each Guaranty Agreement and each other Loan Document given by it in connection therewith.

Article IV Miscellaneous

4.01 Credit Agreement. Except as amended by the provisions hereof, the Credit Agreement and all other Loan Documents shall remain in full force and effect and are hereby ratified and confirmed by the parties hereto.

4.02 Counterparts, Telecopy Signatures. This Amendment may be signed in any number of counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument; and, delivery of executed signature pages hereof by telecopy transmission from one party to another shall constitute effective and binding execution and delivery of this Amendment by such party.

4.03 Governing Law. This Amendment shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania without regard to its conflict of laws principles.

4.04 Severability. If any provision of this Amendment, or the application thereof to any party hereto, shall be held invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provisions or applications of this Amendment which can be given effect without the invalid and unenforceable provision or application, and to this end the parties hereto agree that the provisions of this Amendment are and shall be severable.

4.05 Banks' Consent. Each Bank, by its execution hereof, hereby consents to this Amendment pursuant Section 11.1 of the Credit Agreement.

[SIGNATURE PAGES FOLLOW]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, by their officers thereunto duly authorized, have executed this Amendment as of the day and year first above written.

[BORROWER]

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES
CORPORATION (f/k/a Westinghouse Air Brake
Company)

By: _____ (SEAL)

Name:
Title:

[GUARANTORS]

RAILROAD FRICTION PRODUCTS CORPORATION;
RFPC HOLDING CORP.; WABTEC RAILWAY
ELECTRONICS CORPORATION (formerly known
as MotivePower Canada Corporation);
WABTEC DISTRIBUTION COMPANY; MOTIVEPOWER,
INC.; YOUNG TOUCHSTONE COMPANY (successor
by merger to Wabtec Engine Systems
Company); WABTEC HOLDING CORP.; WABTEC
CORPORATION; WABTEC TRANSPORTATION
TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

By: _____ (SEAL)

Name:
Title: Vice President or Treasurer of
each of the above listed companies

[BANKS AND AGENTS]

LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
individually and as Agent, Bookrunner,
Co-Syndication Agent, and an Issuing Bank

By: _____

Name:

Title:

ABN AMRO BANK N.V., as an Issuing Bank

By: -----

Name:
Title:

By: -----

Name:
Title:

MELLON BANK, N.A., individually and as
Documentation Agent

By: _____

Name:

Title:

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, individually and as
Administrative Agent

By: _____

Name:

Title:

NATIONAL CITY BANK OF PENNSYLVANIA

By: _____

Name:

Title:

PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By: _____

Name:

Title:

FLEET NATIONAL BANK (formerly BankBoston,
N.A.)

By: _____
Name:
Title:

AGREED AS TO SOLELY SECTION 1.02(f) OF
THE FOREGOING AMENDMENT NO. 8:

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By: _____

Name:

Title:

THE BANK OF NEW YORK, individually and as
Co-Syndication Agent

By: _____

Name:

Title:

BANK ONE, N.A.

By: _____

Name:

Title:

AGREED AS TO SOLELY SECTION 1.02(f) OF
THE FOREGOING AMENDMENT NO. 8:

WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
(formerly, First Union National Bank)

By: -----

Name:

Title:

AGREED AS TO SOLELY SECTION 1.02(f) OF
THE FOREGOING AMENDMENT NO. 8:

DZ BANK AG DEUTSCHE
ZENTRAL-GENOSSENSCHAFTSBANK, FRANKFURT AM
MAIN (successor by merger to DG BANK
DEUTSCHE GENOSSENSCHAFTSBANK AG)

By: -----

Name:
Title:

By: -----

Name:
Title:

THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA

By: _____

Name:

Title:

BANK OF TOKYO-MITSUBISHI TRUST CO.

By: _____

Name:

Title:

AGREED AS TO SOLELY SECTION 1.02(f) OF
THE FOREGOING AMENDMENT NO. 8:

CREDIT AGRICOLE INDOSUEZ

By: -----

Name:

Title:

By: -----

Name:

Title:

AGREED AS TO SOLELY SECTION 1.02(f) OF
THE FOREGOING AMENDMENT NO. 8:

CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON

By: -----

Name:

Title:

By: -----

Name:

Title:

MIZUHO CORPORATE BANK, LIMITED (formerly
The Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank, Ltd.)

By: _____

Name:

Title:

MANUFACTURERS AND TRADERS TRUST COMPANY

By: _____

Name:

Title:

AGREED AS TO SOLELY SECTION 1.02(f) OF
THE FOREGOING AMENDMENT NO. 8:

SUNTRUST BANK

By: _____

Name:

Title:

FIFTH THIRD BANK

By: _____

Name:

Title:

CITIZENS BANK OF PENNSYLVANIA

By: _____

Name:

Title:

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, successor by
assignment from CHASE MANHATTAN BANK USA,
N.A., as an Issuing Bank

By: -----

Name:
Title:

Exhibit 12.01

In thousands	2002	Year ended December 31,			1998	Nine months ended September 30,		Twelve months ended Sept 30,
		2001	2000	1999		(unaudited)		(unaudited)
					2003	2002	2003	
Fixed Charges								
Interest Expense	18,072	33,501	43,649	44,109	38,228	7,230	15,832	9,470
Rent expense interest	1,200	1,140	1,260	1,360	940	900	900	1,200
Capitalized interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	19,272	34,641	44,909	45,469	39,168	8,130	16,732	10,670
Earnings								
Income from continuing operations before income taxes & cumulative effect of accounting change	23,904	18,427	37,918	44,071	90,315	26,277	17,283	32,898
Fixed charges (less capitalized interest)	19,272	34,641	44,909	45,469	39,168	8,130	16,732	10,670
	43,176	53,068	82,827	89,540	129,483	34,407	34,015	43,568
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	2.2	1.5	1.8	2.0	3.3	4.2	2.0	4.1

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION
SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

Jurisdiction of Ownership

COMPANY	INCORPORATION	INTEREST
Allied Friction Products Australia Pty Ltd.	Australia	100%
Cobra Europe S.A.	France	100%
Evand Pty Ltd.	Australia	100%
F.I.P. Pty Ltd.	Australia	100%
H.P. s.r.l.	Italy	100%
Jinhu Control Systems Co. Ltd.	China	60%
Milufab, Inc.	Canada	100%
MotivePower Foreign Sales Corporation	Barbados	100%
MotivePower, Inc.	Delaware	100%
Pioneer Friction Limited	India	100%
Railroad Friction Products Corporation	Delaware	100%
RFPC Holding Corporation	Delaware	100%
Stone UK, Ltd.	United Kingdom	100%
Vapor Rail Inc.	Canada	100%
Vapor Stone UK Limited	United Kingdom	100%
Wabco Freight Car Products Ltd.	Canada	100%
Wabtec Australia Pty. Limited	Australia	100%
Wabtec Corporation	New York	100%
Wabtec de Mexico S.A., de C.V.	Mexico	100%
Wabtec Distribution Company	Delaware	100%
Wabtec Foundry Ltd.	Canada	100%
Wabtec Holding Corp.	Delaware	100%
Wabtec Rail Limited	United Kingdom	100%
Wabtec Railway Electronics Corporation	Nova Scotia	100%
Wabtec Railway Products India Private Ltd.	India	100%
Wabtec Servicios Administrativos, S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	100%
Wabtec Transportation Technologies	Delaware	100%
Westinghouse International Corporation	Barbados	100%
Westinghouse Railway Holdings (Canada) Inc.	Canada	100%
Young Touchstone Company	Wisconsin	100%

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Experts" and in the headnote in the caption of "Selected Financial Data" in the Registration Statement (Form S-4 No. 333-_____) and related Prospectus of Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation for the registration of \$150,000,000 6.875% Senior Notes due 2013, and to the incorporation by reference therein of our report dated February 14, 2003 (except Note 25, as to which the date is July 9, 2003), with respect to the consolidated financial statements and schedules of Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies included in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002, as amended by the Company's Form 8-K dated October 22, 2003, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
November 19, 2003

FORM T-1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY
UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A
CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE
ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO
SECTION 305(b)(2) []

THE BANK OF NEW YORK

(Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

New York
(State of incorporation
if not a U.S. national bank)

13-5160382
(I.R.S. employer
identification no.)

One Wall Street, New York, N.Y.
(Address of principal executive offices)

10286
(Zip code)

Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation
(Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

25-1615902
(I.R.S. employer
identification no.)

1001 Airbrake Avenue
Wilmerding, Pennsylvania
(Address of principal executive offices)

15148
(Zip code)

6.875% Senior Notes due 2013
(Title of the indenture securities)

1. General information. Furnish the following information as to the Trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Name	Address
Superintendent of Banks of the State of New York	2 Rector Street, New York, N.Y. 10006, and Albany, N.Y. 12203
Federal Reserve Bank of New York	33 Liberty Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10045
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation	Washington, D.C. 20429
New York Clearing House Association	New York, New York 10005

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers. Yes.

2. Affiliations with Obligor.

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each such affiliation.

None.

16. List of Exhibits.

Exhibits identified in parentheses below, on file with the Commission, are incorporated herein by reference as an exhibit hereto, pursuant to Rule 7a-29 under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 (the "Act") and 17 C.F.R. 229.10(d).

1. A copy of the Organization Certificate of The Bank of New York (formerly Irving Trust Company) as now in effect, which contains the authority to commence business and a grant of powers to exercise corporate trust powers. (Exhibit 1 to Amendment No. 1 to Form T-1 filed with Registration Statement No. 33-6215, Exhibits 1a and 1b to Form T-1 filed with Registration Statement No. 33-21672 and Exhibit 1 to Form T-1 filed with Registration Statement No. 33-29637.)
4. A copy of the existing By-laws of the Trustee. (Exhibit 4 to Form T-1 filed with Registration Statement No. 33-31019.)
6. The consent of the Trustee required by Section 321(b) of the Act. (Exhibit 6 to Form T-1 filed with Registration Statement No. 33-44051.)

7. A copy of the latest report of condition of the Trustee published pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Act, the Trustee, The Bank of New York, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, has duly caused this statement of eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in The City of New York, and State of New York, on the 18th day of November, 2003.

THE BANK OF NEW YORK

By: /S/ MARY LAGUMINA

Name: MARY LAGUMINA

Title: VICE PRESIDENT

 Consolidated Report of Condition of

THE BANK OF NEW YORK

of One Wall Street, New York, N.Y. 10286

And Foreign and Domestic Subsidiaries,

a member of the Federal Reserve System, at the close of business June 30, 2003,
 published in accordance with a call made by the Federal Reserve Bank of this
 District pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Reserve Act.

Dollar Amounts
 In Thousands

ASSETS	
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:	
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	\$4,257,371
Interest-bearing balances	6,048,782
Securities:	
Held-to-maturity securities	373,479
Available-for-sale securities	18,918,169
Federal funds sold in domestic offices	6,689,000
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	5,293,789
Loans and lease financing receivables:	
Loans and leases held for sale	616,186
Loans and leases, net of unearned income.....38,342,282	
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses.....819,982	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income and allowance	37,522,300
Trading Assets	5,741,193
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	958,273
Other real estate owned	441
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	257,626
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	159,995
Intangible assets	
Goodwill	2,554,921
Other intangible assets	805,938
Other assets	6,285,971

Total assets	\$96,483,434 =====
LIABILITIES	
Deposits:	
In domestic offices	\$37,264,787
Noninterest-bearing.....15,357,289	
Interest-bearing.....21,907,498	
In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs	28,018,241
Noninterest-bearing.....1,026,601	
Interest-bearing.....26,991,640	
Federal funds purchased in domestic offices	739,736
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	465,594
Trading liabilities	2,456,565
Other borrowed money:	
(includes mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases) ...	8,994,708
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	163,277
Subordinated notes and debentures	2,400,000
Other liabilities	7,446,726

Total liabilities	\$87,949,634 =====
Minority interest in consolidated subsidiaries	519,472
EQUITY CAPITAL	
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	0
Common stock	1,135,284
Surplus	2,056,273
Retained earnings	4,694,161
Accumulated other comprehensive income	128,610
Other equity capital components	0

Total equity capital	8,014,328 -----

Total liabilities minority interest and equity capital	\$96,483,434
	=====

I, Thomas J. Mastro, Senior Vice President and Comptroller of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Thomas J. Mastro,
Senior Vice President and Comptroller

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions and is true and correct.

Thomas A. Renyi
Gerald L. Hassell
Alan R. Griffith

Directors

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

**TO TENDER FOR EXCHANGE
6.875% NOTES DUE 2013**

OF

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

PURSUANT TO THE PROSPECTUS DATED

THE EXCHANGE OFFER WILL EXPIRE AT 5:00 P.M., NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON UNLESS EXTENDED (SUCH TIME AND DATE, AS THE SAME MAY BE EXTENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, THE “EXPIRATION DATE”). TENDERS MAY BE WITHDRAWN AT ANY TIME PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION DATE.

The Exchange Agent is:
THE BANK OF NEW YORK

By Registered or Certified Mail:

The Bank of New York
Corporate Trust Operations
Reorganization Unit
101 Barclay Street–7E
New York, New York 10286
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec

By Overnight Delivery:

The Bank of New York
Corporate Trust Operations
Reorganization Unit
101 Barclay Street–7E
New York, New York 10286
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec

By Hand Delivery:

The Bank of New York
Corporate Trust Operations
Reorganization Unit
101 Barclay Street–Lobby Window
New York, New York 10286
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec

By Facsimile:

212-298-1915
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec

Confirm by Telephone

Telephone: 212-815-5098

DELIVERY OF THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL TO AN ADDRESS OTHER THAN AS SET FORTH ABOVE OR TRANSMISSION TO A FACSIMILE NUMBER OTHER THAN AS SET FORTH ABOVE WILL NOT CONSTITUTE A VALID DELIVERY.

The undersigned acknowledges receipt of the Prospectus dated (the “Prospectus”), of Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation a Delaware corporation (the “Company”), and this Letter of Transmittal (the “Letter of Transmittal”), which together with the Prospectus constitutes the Company’s offer (the “Exchange Offer”) to exchange up to \$150,000,000 principal amount of its 6.875% Notes due 2013, which are registered under the Securities Act of 1933 (the “Exchange Notes”) for any and all of its unregistered outstanding 6.875% Notes due 2013 (the “Old Notes”). Recipients of the Prospectus should read the requirements described in such Prospectus with respect to eligibility to participate in the Exchange Offer. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meaning given to them in the Prospectus.

The undersigned hereby tenders the Old Notes described in the box entitled “Description of Old Notes” below pursuant to the terms and conditions described in the Prospectus and this Letter of Transmittal. The undersigned is the registered holder of all the Old Notes (the “Holder”) and the undersigned represents that it has received from each beneficial owner of Old Notes (the “Beneficial Owners”) a duly completed and executed form of “Instruction to Registered Holder from Beneficial Owner” accompanying this Letter of Transmittal, instructing the undersigned to take the action described in this Letter of Transmittal.

PLEASE READ THIS ENTIRE LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING ANY BOX BELOW.

This Letter of Transmittal is to be used by a Holder if (i) certificates representing Old Notes are to be forwarded herewith and (ii) a tender is made pursuant to the guaranteed delivery procedures in the section of the Prospectus entitled “The exchange offer—Guaranteed delivery procedures.”

Holders that are tendering by book-entry transfer to the Exchange Agent’s account at the Depository Trust Company (“DTC”) can execute the tender through the Automated Tender Offer Program (“ATOP”) for which the Exchange Offer will be eligible. DTC participants that are accepting the Exchange Offer must transmit their acceptance to DTC which will verify the acceptance and execute a book-entry delivery to the Exchange Agent’s account at DTC. DTC will then send an agent’s message forming part of a book-entry transfer in which the participant agrees to be bound by the terms of the Letter of Transmittal (an “Agent’s Message”) to the Exchange Agent for its acceptance. Transmission of an Agent’s Message will constitute an acknowledgement from the tendering DTC participant that the representations contained in the Letter of Transmittal are true and correct. Transmission of the Agent’s Message by DTC will satisfy the terms of the Exchange Offer as to execution and delivery of a Letter of Transmittal by the participant identified in the Agent’s Message.

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 should contact such Holder promptly and instruct such Holder to tender on behalf of the Beneficial Owner. If such Beneficial Owner wishes to tender on its own behalf, such Beneficial Owner must, prior to completing and executing this Letter of Transmittal and delivering its Old Notes, either make appropriate arrangements to register ownership of the Old Notes in such Beneficial Owner’s name or obtain a properly completed bond power from the Holder. The transfer of record ownership may take considerable time.

In order to properly complete this Letter of Transmittal, a Holder must (i) complete the box entitled “Description of Old Notes,” (ii) if appropriate, check and complete the boxes relating to book-entry transfer, guaranteed delivery, Special Issuance Instructions and Special Delivery Instructions, (iii) sign the Letter of Transmittal by completing the box entitled “Sign Here To Tender Your Old Notes” and (iv) complete the Substitute Form W-9. Each Holder should carefully read the detailed instructions below prior to completing the Letter of Transmittal.

Holders of Old Notes who desire to tender their Old Notes for exchange and (i) whose Old Notes are not immediately available or (ii) who cannot deliver their Old Notes, this Letter of Transmittal and all other documents required hereby to the Exchange Agent on or prior to the Expiration Date, must tender the Old Notes pursuant to the guaranteed delivery procedures set forth in the section of the Prospectus entitled “The Exchange Offer—Guaranteed Delivery Procedures.” See Instruction 2.

Holders of Old Notes who wish to tender their Old Notes for exchange must complete columns (1) through (3) in the box below entitled “Description of Old Notes,” and sign the box below entitled “Sign Here To Tender Your Old Notes.” If only those columns are completed, such Holder will have tendered for exchange all Old Notes listed in column (3) below. If the Holder wishes to tender for exchange less than all of such Old Notes, column (4) must be completed in full. In such case, such Holder should refer to Instruction 5.

The Exchange Offer may be extended, terminated or amended, as provided in the Prospectus. During any such extension of the Exchange Offer, all Old Notes previously tendered and not withdrawn pursuant to the Exchange Offer will remain subject to such Exchange Offer.

The undersigned hereby tenders for exchange the Old Notes described in the box entitled “Description of Old Notes” below pursuant to the terms and conditions described in the Prospectus and this Letter of Transmittal.

Only Holders are entitled to tender their Old Notes for exchange in the Exchange Offer. Any financial institution that is a participant in DTC's system and whose name appears on a security position listing as the record owner of the Old Notes and who wishes to make book-entry delivery of Old Notes as described above must complete and execute a participant's letter (which will be distributed to participants by DTC) instructing DTC's nominee to tender such Old Notes for exchange. Persons who are Beneficial Owners of Old Notes but are not Holders and who seek to tender Old Notes should (i) contact the Holder and instruct such Holder to tender on his or her behalf, (ii) obtain and include with this Letter of Transmittal, Old Notes properly endorsed for transfer by the Holder or accompanied by a properly completed bond power from the Holder, with signatures on the endorsement or bond power guaranteed by a firm that is an eligible guarantor institution within the meaning of Rule 17Ad-15 under the Exchange Act, including a firm that is a member of a registered national securities exchange, a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., a commercial bank or trading company having an office in the United States or certain other eligible guarantors (each, an "Eligible Institution"), or (iii) effect a record transfer of such Old Notes from the Holder to such Beneficial Owner and comply with the requirements applicable to Holders for tendering Old Notes prior to the Expiration Date. See the section of the Prospectus entitled "The exchange offer—Procedures for tendering original notes."

SIGNATURES MUST BE PROVIDED BELOW.

PLEASE READ THE ACCOMPANYING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.

SPECIAL ISSUANCE INSTRUCTIONS

(See Instructions 1, 6, 7 and 8)

To be completed ONLY (i) if the Exchange Notes issued in exchange for the Old Notes, certificates for Old Notes in a principal amount not exchanged for Exchange Notes, or Old Notes (if any) not tendered for exchange, are to be issued in the name of someone other than the undersigned or (ii) if Old Notes tendered by book-entry transfer which are not exchanged are to be returned by credit to an account maintained at DTC.

Issue to:

Name: _____
(Please type or print)

Address: _____

(Include Zip Code)

(Tax Identification or Social Security No.)

Credit Old Notes not exchanged and delivered by book-entry transfer to DTC account set forth below:

(Account Number)

SPECIAL DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS

(See Instructions 1, 6, 7 and 8)

To be completed ONLY if the Exchange Notes issued in exchange for Old Notes, certificates for Old Notes in a principal amount not exchanged for Exchange Notes, or Old Notes (if any) not tendered for exchange, are to be mailed or delivered (i) to someone other than the undersigned or (ii) to the undersigned at an address other than the address shown below the undersigned's signature.

Mail or deliver to:

Name(s)* _____
(Please type or print)

Address: _____

(Include Zip Code)

(Tax Identification or Social Security No.)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the Exchange Offer, the undersigned hereby tenders to the Company for exchange the Old Notes indicated above. Subject to, and effective upon, acceptance for exchange of the Old Notes tendered for exchange herewith, the undersigned will have irrevocably sold, assigned, transferred and exchanged, to the Company, all right, title and interest in, to and under all of the Old Notes tendered for exchange hereby, and hereby will have appointed the Exchange Agent as the true and lawful agent and attorney-in-fact (with full knowledge that the Exchange Agent also acts as agent of the Company) of such Holder with respect to such Old Notes, with full power of substitution to (i) deliver certificates representing such Old Notes, or transfer ownership of such Old Notes on the account books maintained by DTC (together, in any such case, with all accompanying evidences of transfer and authenticity), to the Company, (ii) present and deliver such Old Notes for transfer on the books of the Company and (iii) receive all benefits and otherwise exercise all rights and incidents of beneficial ownership with respect to such Old Notes, all in accordance with the terms of the Exchange Offer. The power of attorney granted in this paragraph shall be deemed to be irrevocable and coupled with an interest.

The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that it has full power and authority to tender, exchange, assign and transfer the Old Notes; and that when such Old Notes are accepted for exchange by the Company, the Company will acquire good and marketable title thereto, free and clear of all liens, restrictions, charges and encumbrances and not subject to any adverse claims. The undersigned further warrants that it will, upon request, execute and deliver any additional documents deemed by the Exchange Agent or the Company to be necessary or desirable to complete the exchange, assignment and transfer of the Old Notes tendered for exchange hereby. The undersigned further agrees that acceptance of any and all validly tendered Old Notes by the Company and the issuance of Exchange Notes in exchange therefor shall constitute performance in full by the Company of its obligations under the exchange and registration rights agreement.

By tendering, the undersigned hereby further represents to the Company that (i) the Exchange Notes to be acquired by the undersigned and any Beneficial Owner(s) of the Old Notes tendered hereby in connection with the Exchange Offer will be acquired by the undersigned and such Beneficial Owner(s) in the ordinary course of their respective businesses, (ii) the undersigned and any such Beneficial Owner is not engaged in, and does not intend to engage in, a distribution of the Exchange Notes, (iii) neither the undersigned nor any such Beneficial Owner has an arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of Exchange Notes issued in the Exchange Offer, and (iv) neither the undersigned nor any such Beneficial Owner is an "affiliate," as defined under Rule 405 under the Securities Act, of the Company.

If the undersigned or any such Beneficial Owner is a broker-dealer that will receive Exchange Notes for its own account in exchange for Old Notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, it acknowledges that it will deliver a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of such Exchange Notes. A broker-dealer may not participate in the Exchange Offer with respect to the Old Notes acquired other than as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities.

By its acceptance of the Exchange Offer, any broker-dealer that receives Exchange Notes pursuant to the Exchange Offer agrees to notify us in writing before using the Prospectus in connection with the resale or transfer of Exchange Notes. The broker-dealer further acknowledges and agrees that, upon receipt of notice from us of the happening of any event which makes any statement in the Prospectus untrue in any material respect or which requires the making of any changes in the Prospectus to make the statements in the Prospectus not misleading or which may impose upon us disclosure obligations that may have a material adverse effect on us, which notice we agree to deliver promptly to the broker-dealer, the broker-dealer will suspend use of the Prospectus until we have notified the undersigned that delivery of the Prospectus may resume and have furnished to the broker-dealer copies of any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus. We have agreed in the exchange and registration rights agreement that for a period of 180 days after the effective date of the registration statement of which the Prospectus is a part we will make the Prospectus, as amended or supplemented, available to any broker-dealer who requests it in writing for use in connection with any such resale.

For purposes of the Exchange Offer, the Company will be deemed to have accepted for exchange, and to have exchanged, validly tendered Old Notes, if, as and when the Company gives oral or written notice thereof to the Exchange Agent. Tenders of Old Notes for exchange may be withdrawn at any time prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the

Expiration Date. See “The exchange offer—Withdrawal rights” in the Prospectus. Any Old Notes tendered by the undersigned and not accepted for exchange will be returned to the undersigned at the address set forth above unless otherwise indicated in the box above entitled “Special Delivery Instructions” as promptly as practicable after the Expiration Date.

The undersigned acknowledges that the Company’s acceptance of Old Notes validly tendered for exchange pursuant to any one of the procedures described in the section of the Prospectus entitled “The exchange offer” and in the instructions hereto will constitute a binding agreement between the undersigned and the Company upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the Exchange Offer.

Unless otherwise indicated in the box entitled “Special Issuance Instructions,” please return any Old Notes not tendered for exchange in the name(s) of the undersigned. Similarly, unless otherwise indicated in the box entitled “Special Delivery Instructions,” please mail any certificates for Old Notes not tendered or exchanged (and accompanying documents, as appropriate) to the undersigned at the address shown below the undersigned’s signature(s). In the event that both “Special Issuance Instructions” and “Special Delivery Instructions” are completed, please issue the certificates representing the Exchange Notes issued in exchange for the Old Notes accepted for exchange in the name(s) of, and return any Old Notes not tendered for exchange or not exchanged to, the person(s) so indicated. The undersigned recognizes that the Company has no obligation pursuant to the “Special Issuance Instructions” and “Special Delivery Instructions” to transfer any Old Notes from the name of the Holder(s) thereof if the Company does not accept for exchange any of the Old Notes so tendered for exchange or if such transfer would not be in compliance with any transfer restrictions applicable to such Old Note(s).

IN ORDER TO VALIDLY TENDER OLD NOTES FOR EXCHANGE, HOLDERS MUST COMPLETE, EXECUTE, AND DELIVER THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

Except as stated in the Prospectus, all authority herein conferred or agreed to be conferred shall survive the death, incapacity or dissolution of the undersigned, and any obligation of the undersigned hereunder shall be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns of the undersigned. Except as otherwise stated in the Prospectus, this tender for exchange of Old Notes is irrevocable.

Sign Here to Tender Your Old Notes

X _____

X _____

Signature(s) of Owner(s)

Dated: , 2003

Must be signed by the Holder(s) exactly as name(s) appear(s) on certificate(s) representing the Old Notes or on a security position listing or by person(s) authorized to become registered Old Note holder(s) by certificates and documents transmitted herewith.

Name(s): _____

(Please Type or Print)

If signature is by trustees, executors, administrators, guardians, attorneys-in-fact, officers of corporations or others acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, please provide the following information. (See Instruction 6.)

Capacity (full title): _____

Address: _____

(Include Zip Code)

Principal place of business
(if different from address listed above): _____

Area Code and Telephone No.: (): _____

Tax Identification or Social Security Nos.: _____

IMPORTANT: COMPLETE AND SIGN THE SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9 IN THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

GUARANTEE OF SIGNATURE(S)
(SIGNATURE(S) MUST BE GUARANTEED IF REQUIRED BY INSTRUCTION 1)

Authorized Signature: _____

Name and Title: _____
(Please Type or Print)

Name of Firm: _____

Address: _____

Area Code and Telephone No.: _____

Dated: _____

**INSTRUCTIONS
FORMING PART OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE EXCHANGE OFFER**

1. GUARANTEE OF SIGNATURES. Except as otherwise provided below, all signatures on this Letter of Transmittal must be guaranteed by an institution which is (1) a member of a registered national securities exchange or of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., (2) a commercial bank or trust company having an office or correspondent in the United States, or (3) an Eligible Institution that is a member of one of the following recognized Signature Guarantee Programs:

- (a) The Securities Transfer Agents Medallion Program (STAMP);
- (b) The New York Stock Exchange Medallion Signature Program (MSP); or
- (c) The Stock Exchange Medallion Program (SEMP).

Signatures on this Letter of Transmittal need not be guaranteed (i) if this Letter of Transmittal is signed by the Holder(s) of the Old Notes tendered herewith and such Holder(s) have not completed the box entitled "Special Issuance Instructions" or the box entitled "Special Delivery Instructions" on this Letter of Transmittal or (ii) if such Old Notes are tendered for the account of an Eligible Institution. In all other cases, all signatures must be guaranteed by an Eligible Institution.

2. DELIVERY OF THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL AND OLD NOTES; GUARANTEED DELIVERY PROCEDURES. This Letter of Transmittal is to be completed by Holders if certificates representing Old Notes are to be forwarded herewith. All physically delivered Old Notes, as well as a properly completed and duly executed Letter of Transmittal (or manually signed facsimile thereof) and any other required documents, must be received by the Exchange Agent at its address set forth herein prior to the Expiration Date or the tendering holder must comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures set forth below. Delivery of the documents to DTC does not constitute delivery to the Exchange Agent.

The method of delivery of Old Notes, this Letter of Transmittal and all other required documents to the Exchange Agent is at the election and risk of the Holder. Except as otherwise provided below, the delivery will be deemed made only when actually received or confirmed by the Exchange Agent. Instead of delivery by mail, it is recommended that Holders use an overnight or hand delivery service, properly insured. In all cases, sufficient time should be allowed to assure delivery to the Exchange Agent before the Expiration Date. Neither this Letter of Transmittal nor any Old Notes should be sent to the Company. Holders may request their respective brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies or nominees to effect the above transactions for such Holders.

Holders of Old Notes who elect to tender Old Notes and (i) whose Old Notes are not immediately available or (ii) who cannot deliver the Old Notes, this Letter of Transmittal or other required documents to the Exchange Agent prior the Expiration Date must tender their Old Notes according to the guaranteed delivery procedures set forth in the Prospectus. Holders may have such tender effected if:

- (a) such tender is made through an Eligible Institution;
- (b) prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the Expiration Date, the Exchange Agent has received from such Eligible Institution a properly completed and duly executed Notice of Guaranteed Delivery, setting forth the name and address of the Holder, the certificate number(s) (if applicable) of such Old Notes and the principal amount of Old Notes tendered for exchange, stating that tender is being made thereby and guaranteeing that, within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the Expiration Date, this Letter of Transmittal (or facsimile thereof), together with the certificate(s) representing such Old Notes (or a Book-Entry Confirmation), in proper form for transfer, and any other documents required by this Letter of Transmittal, will be deposited by such Eligible Institution with the Exchange Agent; and
- (c) a properly executed Letter of Transmittal (or facsimile thereof), as well as the certificate(s) for all tendered Old Notes in proper form for transfer or a Book-Entry Confirmation, together with any other documents required by this Letter of Transmittal, are received by the Exchange Agent within five New York Stock Exchange trading days after the Expiration Date.

No alternative, conditional or contingent tenders will be accepted. All tendering Holders, by execution of this Letter of Transmittal (or facsimile thereof), waive any right to receive notice of the acceptance of their Old Notes for exchange.

3. INADEQUATE SPACE. If the space provided in the box entitled “Description of Old Notes” above is inadequate, the certificate numbers and principal amounts of the Old Notes being tendered should be listed on a separate signed schedule affixed hereto.

4. WITHDRAWALS. A tender of Old Notes may be withdrawn at any time prior to the Expiration Date by delivery of written notice of withdrawal (or facsimile thereof) to the Exchange Agent at the address set forth on the cover of this Letter of Transmittal or, if Old Notes have been tendered through ATOP, by following the ATOP withdrawal procedures. To be effective, a notice of withdrawal of Old Notes must (i) specify the name of the person who tendered the Old Notes to be withdrawn (the “Depositor”), (ii) identify the Old Notes to be withdrawn (including the certificate number(s) and aggregate principal amount of such Old Notes), and (iii) be signed by the Holder in the same manner as the original signature on the Letter of Transmittal by which such Old Notes were tendered (including any required signature guarantees). All questions as to the validity, form and eligibility (including time of receipt) of such notices will be determined by the Company in its sole discretion, whose determination shall be final and binding on all parties. Any Old Notes so withdrawn will thereafter be deemed not validly tendered for purposes of the Exchange Offer and no Exchange Notes will be issued with respect thereto unless the Old Notes so withdrawn are validly retendered. Properly withdrawn Old Notes may be retendered by following one of the procedures described in the section of the Prospectus entitled “The exchange offer—Procedures for tendering original notes” at any time prior to the Expiration Date.

5. PARTIAL TENDERS. Tenders of Old Notes will be accepted only in integral multiples of \$1,000 principal amount. If a tender for exchange is to be made with respect to less than the entire principal amount of any Old Notes, fill in the principal amount of Old Notes which are tendered for exchange in column (4) of the box entitled “Description of Old Notes,” as more fully described in the footnotes thereto. In the case of a partial tender for exchange, a new certificate, in fully registered form, for the remainder of the principal amount of the Old Notes, will be sent to the Holders unless otherwise indicated in the appropriate box on this Letter of Transmittal as promptly as practicable after the expiration or termination of the Exchange Offer.

6. SIGNATURES ON THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL, POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND ENDORSEMENTS.

(a) The signature(s) of the Holder on this Letter of Transmittal must correspond with the name(s) as written on the face of the Old Notes without alternation, enlargement or any change whatsoever.

(b) If tendered Old Notes are owned of record by two or more joint owners, all such owners must sign this Letter of Transmittal.

(c) If any tendered Old Notes are registered in different names on several certificates, it will be necessary to complete, sign and submit as many separate copies of this Letter of Transmittal and any necessary or required documents as there are different registrations or certificates.

(d) When this Letter of Transmittal is signed by the Holder listed and transmitted hereby, no endorsements of Old Notes or bond powers are required. If, however, Old Notes not tendered or not accepted, are to be issued or returned in the name of a person other than the Holder, then the Old Notes transmitted hereby must be endorsed or accompanied by a properly completed bond power, in a form satisfactory to the Company, in either case signed exactly as the name(s) of the Holder(s) appear(s) on the Old Notes. Signatures on such Old Notes or bond powers must be guaranteed by an Eligible Institution (unless signed by an Eligible Institution). See Instruction 1.

(e) If this Letter of Transmittal or Old Notes or bond powers are signed by trustees, executors, administrators, guardians, attorneys-in-fact, officers of corporations or others acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, such persons should so indicate when signing, and unless waived by the Company, evidence satisfactory to the Company of their authority to so act must be submitted with this Letter of Transmittal.

(f) If this Letter of Transmittal is signed by a person other than the Holder listed, the Old Notes must be endorsed or accompanied by a properly completed bond power, in either case signed by such Holder exactly as the name(s) of the Holder appear(s) on the certificates. Signatures on such Old Notes or bond powers must be guaranteed by an Eligible Institution (unless signed by an Eligible Institution).

7. **TRANSFER TAXES.** Except as set forth in this Instruction 7, the Company will pay all transfer taxes, if any, applicable to the exchange of Old Notes pursuant to the Exchange Offer. If, however, a transfer tax is imposed for any reason other than the exchange of Old Notes pursuant to the Exchange Offer, then the amount of such transfer taxes (whether imposed on the Holder or any other persons) will be payable by the tendering holder. If satisfactory evidence of payment of such taxes or exemptions therefrom is not submitted with this Letter of Transmittal, the amount of such transfer taxes will be billed directly to such tendering holder.

8. **SPECIAL ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS.** If the Exchange Notes are to be issued, or if any Old Notes not tendered for exchange are to be issued or sent to someone other than the Holder or to an address other than that shown above, the appropriate boxes on this Letter of Transmittal should be completed. Holders of Old Notes tendering Old Notes by book-entry transfer may request that Old Notes not accepted be credited to such account maintained at DTC as such Holder may designate.

9. **IRREGULARITIES.** All questions as to the validity, form, eligibility (including time of receipt), compliance with conditions, acceptance and withdrawal of tendered Old Notes will be determined by the Company in its sole discretion, which determination shall be final and binding. The Company reserves the absolute right to reject any and all Old Notes not properly tendered or any Old Notes the Company's acceptance of which would, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, be unlawful. The Company also reserves the right to waive any defects, irregularities or conditions of tender as to particular Old Notes. The Company's interpretation of the terms and conditions of the Exchange Offer (including the instructions in this 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 such time as the Company shall determine. Although the Company intends to notify Holders of defects or irregularities with respect to tenders of Old Notes, neither the Company, the Exchange Agent nor any other person shall incur any liability for failure to give such notification. Tendere of Old Notes will not be deemed 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 this Letter of Transmittal, as soon as practicable following the Expiration Date.

10. **WAIVER OF CONDITIONS.** The Company reserves the absolute right to waive, amend or modify certain of the specified conditions as described under "The exchange offer—Conditions to the exchange offer" in the Prospectus in the case of any Old Notes tendered (except as otherwise provided in the Prospectus).

11. **MUTILATED, LOST, STOLEN OR DESTROYED OLD NOTES.** Any tendering Holder whose Old Notes have been mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed, should contact the Exchange Agent at the address indicated herein for further instructions.

12. **REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION OR ADDITIONAL COPIES.** Requests for information, questions related to the procedures for tendering or for additional copies of the Prospectus and this Letter of Transmittal may be directed to the Exchange Agent at the address or telephone number set forth on the cover of this Letter of Transmittal.

IMPORTANT: THIS LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL (OR A FACSIMILE THEREOF) TOGETHER WITH CERTIFICATES, OR CONFIRMATION OF BOOK-ENTRY OR THE NOTICE OF GUARANTEED DELIVERY, AND ALL OTHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE EXCHANGE AGENT PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION DATE.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Under current federal income tax law, a Holder whose tendered Old Notes are accepted for exchange may be subject to backup withholding unless the Holder provides the Company (as payor), through the Exchange Agent, with either (i) such Holder's correct taxpayer identification number ("TIN") on Substitute Form W-9 attached hereto, certifying that the TIN provided on Substitute Form W-9 is correct (or that such Holder is awaiting a TIN) and that (A) the Holder has not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service that he or she is subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends or (B) the Internal Revenue Service has notified the Holder that he or she is no longer subject to backup withholding; or (ii) an adequate basis for exemption from backup withholding. If such Holder is an individual, the TIN is such Holder's social security number. If the Exchange Agent is not provided with the correct taxpayer identification number, the Holder may be subject to certain penalties imposed by the Internal Revenue Service.

Certain Holders (including, among others, all corporations and certain foreign individuals) are not subject to these backup withholding and reporting requirements. Exempt Holders should indicate their exempt status on Substitute Form W-9. A foreign individual may qualify as an exempt recipient by submitting to the Exchange Agent a properly completed Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (which the Exchange Agent will provide upon request) signed under penalty of perjury, attesting to the Holder's exempt status. See the enclosed Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9 (the "Guidelines") for additional instructions.

If backup withholding applies, the Company is required to withhold 28% of any payment made to the Holder or other payee. Backup withholding is not an additional federal income tax. Rather, the federal income tax liability of persons subject to backup withholding will be reduced by the amount of tax withheld. If withholding results in an overpayment of taxes, a refund may be obtained from the Internal Revenue Service.

The Holder is required to give the Exchange Agent the TIN (e.g., social security number or employer identification number) of the record owner of the Old Notes. If the Old Notes are held in more than one name or are not held in the name of the actual owner, consult the enclosed Guidelines for additional guidance regarding which number to report.

PAYOR'S NAME: THE BANK OF NEW YORK

SUBSTITUTE

Form **W-9**

Part 1: PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR TIN IN THE BOX AT RIGHT AND CERTIFY BY SIGNING AND DATING BELOW.

Social Security Number

OR _____
Employer Identification Number

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Payer's Request for Taxpayer
Identification Number (TIN) and
Certification**

Part 2: For Payees exempt from backup withholding, see the enclosed Guidelines of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9 and complete as instructed under "Important Tax Information" above.

Part 3:
Awaiting TIN

Certification. Under Penalties of Perjury, I certify that:

- (1) The number shown on this form is my current taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me) and
- (2) I am not subject to backup withholding either because I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of failure to report all interest or dividends, or the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item (2) in Part 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are subject to backup withholding because of underreporting interest or dividends on your tax return. However, if after being notified by the IRS that you are subject to backup withholding you receive another notification from the IRS stating that you are no longer subject to backup withholding, do not cross out item (2).

Signature _____ Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

YOU MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATE IF YOU CHECK THE BOX IN PART 3 OF SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9

PAYOR'S NAME: THE BANK OF NEW YORK CERTIFICATE OF AWAITING TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

I certify under penalties of perjury that a taxpayer identification number has not been issued to me, and either (a) I have mailed or delivered an application to receive a taxpayer identification number to the appropriate Internal Revenue Service Center or Social Security Administration Office or (b) I intend to mail or deliver an application in the near future. I understand that if I do not provide a taxpayer identification number within sixty (60) days, 28% of all reportable payments made to me thereafter will be withheld until I provide such a number.

Signature

Date

NOTE: FAILURE TO COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN BACKUP WITHHOLDING OF 28% OF ANY PAYMENT MADE TO YOU. PLEASE REVIEW THE ENCLOSED GUIDELINES FOR CERTIFICATION OF TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9 FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS.

**NOTICE OF GUARANTEED DELIVERY
WITH RESPECT TO TENDER OF
ANY AND ALL OUTSTANDING 6.875% NOTES DUE 2013
IN EXCHANGE FOR
6.875% NOTES DUE 2013
OF
WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION
PURSUANT TO THE PROSPECTUS DATED**

THE EXCHANGE OFFER WILL EXPIRE AT 5:00 P.M., NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON UNLESS EXTENDED (SUCH TIME AND DATE, AS THE SAME MAY BE EXTENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, THE "EXPIRATION DATE"), TENDERS MAY BE WITHDRAWN AT ANY TIME PRIOR THE EXPIRATION DATE.

The Exchange Agent is:
THE BANK OF NEW YORK

By Registered or Certified Mail:
The Bank of New York
Corporate Trust Operations
Reorganization Unit
101 Barclay Street—7E
New York, New York 10286
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec

By Overnight Delivery:
The Bank of New York
Corporate Trust Operations
Reorganization Unit 101
Barclay Street—7E
New York, New York 10286
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec

By Hand Delivery:
The Bank of New York
Corporate Trust Operations
Reorganization Unit
101 Barclay Street—Lobby Window
New York, New York 10286
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec

By Facsimile:
212-298-1915
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec

Confirm By Telephone
Telephone: 212-815-5098

DELIVERY OF THIS NOTICE OF GUARANTEED DELIVERY TO AN ADDRESS OTHER THAN AS SET FORTH ABOVE OR TRANSMISSION TO A FACSIMILE NUMBER OTHER THAN AS SET FORTH ABOVE WILL NOT CONSTITUTE A VALID DELIVERY.

As set forth in the prospectus (the "Prospectus") dated of Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation (the "Company") and in the accompanying Letter of Transmittal and instructions thereto (the "Letter of Transmittal"), this form or one substantially equivalent thereto must be used to accept the Company's offer (the "Exchange Offer") to exchange new 6.875% Notes due 2013 (the "Exchange Notes") that have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), for all of its outstanding 6.875% Notes due 2013 (the "Old Notes") if the Letter of Transmittal or any other documents required thereby cannot be delivered to the Exchange Agent, or Old Notes cannot be delivered or if the procedures for book-entry transfer cannot be completed prior to the Expiration Date. This form may be delivered by an Eligible Institution (as defined in the Prospectus) by mail or hand delivery or transmitted via facsimile to the Exchange Agent as set forth above. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meaning given to them in the Prospectus.

This form is not to be used to guarantee signatures. If a signature on the Letter of Transmittal is required to be guaranteed by an Eligible Institution under the instructions thereto, such signature guarantee must appear in the applicable space provided in the Letter of Transmittal.

PLEASE READ THE ACCOMPANYING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned hereby tenders to the Company upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Prospectus and the related Letter of Transmittal, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the principal amount of Old Notes specified below pursuant to the guaranteed delivery procedures set forth in the section of the Prospectus entitled "The exchange offer—Guaranteed delivery procedures." By so tendering, the undersigned does hereby make, at and as of the date hereof, the representations and warranties of a tendering Holder of Old Notes set forth in the Letter of Transmittal.

The undersigned understands that tenders of Old Notes may be withdrawn if the Exchange Agent receives at one of its addresses specified on the cover of this Notice of Guaranteed Delivery, prior to the Expiration Date, a facsimile transmission or letter which specifies the name of the person who deposited the Old Notes to be withdrawn and the aggregate principal amount of Old Notes delivered for exchange, including the certificate number(s) (if any) of the Old Notes, and which is signed in the same manner as the original signature on the Letter of Transmittal by which the Old Notes were tendered, including any signature guarantees, all in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Prospectus.

All authority herein conferred or agreed to be conferred shall survive the death, incapacity, or dissolution of the undersigned and every obligation of the undersigned hereunder shall be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns of the undersigned.

The undersigned hereby tenders the Old Notes listed below:
PLEASE SIGN AND COMPLETE

**Certificate Number of Old Notes
(If Available)**

**Principal Amount of Private
Notes Tendered**

SIGNATURE (S) OF REGISTERED HOLDERS) OR AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY

Name(s): _____

(Please Type or Print)

Title: _____

Address: _____

Area Code and Telephone No.: _____

Date: _____

If Old Notes will be tendered by book-entry transfer, check the trust company below:

The Depository Trust Company

Depository Account Telephone No.: _____

GUARANTEE

(NOT TO BE USED FOR SIGNATURE GUARANTEE)

The undersigned, a participant in a recognized Signature Guarantee Medallion Program, guarantees deposit with the Exchange Agent of the Letter of Transmittal (or facsimile thereof), together with the Old Notes tendered hereby in proper form for transfer, or confirmation of the book-entry transfer of such Old Notes into the Exchange Agent's account at The Depository Trust Company, pursuant to the procedure for book-entry transfer set forth in the Prospectus, and any other required documents, all by 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third New York Stock Exchange trading day following the Expiration Date (as defined in the Prospectus).

SIGN HERE

Name of Firm: _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Name (please type or print): _____

Address: _____

Area Code and Telephone No.: _____

Date: _____

DO NOT SEND CERTIFICATES FOR OLD NOTES WITH THIS FORM. ACTUAL SURRENDER OF CERTIFICATES FOR OLD NOTES MUST BE MADE PURSUANT TO, AND BE ACCOMPANIED BY, A COPY OF THE PREVIOUSLY EXECUTED LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. **DELIVERY OF THIS NOTICE OF GUARANTEED DELIVERY.** A properly completed and duly executed copy of this Notice of Guaranteed Delivery and any other documents required by this Notice of Guaranteed Delivery must be received by the Exchange Agent at one of its addresses set forth on the cover hereof prior to the Expiration Date. The method of delivery of this Notice of Guaranteed Delivery and all other required documents to the Exchange Agent is at the election and risk of the Holder but, except as otherwise provided below, the delivery will be deemed made only when actually received by the Exchange Agent. Instead of delivery by mail, it is recommended that Holders use an overnight or hand delivery service, properly insured. If such delivery is by mail, it is recommended that the Holder use properly insured, registered mail with return receipt requested. For a full description of the guaranteed delivery procedures, see the Prospectus under the caption “The exchange offer—Guaranteed delivery procedures.” In all cases, sufficient time should be allowed to assure timely delivery. No Notice of Guaranteed Delivery should be sent to the Company.

2. **SIGNATURE ON THIS NOTICE OF GUARANTEED DELIVERY; GUARANTEE OF SIGNATURES.** If this Notice of Guaranteed Delivery is signed by the Holder(s) referred to herein, then the signature must correspond with the name(s) as written on the face of the Old Notes, or on the security position listing for Old Notes held at DTC, without alteration, enlargement or any change whatsoever. If this Notice of Guaranteed Delivery is signed by a person other than the Holder(s) listed, this Notice of Guaranteed Delivery must be accompanied by a properly completed bond power signed as the name of the Holder(s) appear(s) on the face of the Old Notes without alteration, enlargement or any change whatsoever. If this Notice of Guaranteed Delivery is signed by a trustee, executor, administrator, guardian, attorney-in-fact, officer of a corporation or other person acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, such person should so indicate when signing, and, unless waived by the Company, evidence satisfactory to the Company of their authority so to act must be submitted with this Notice of Guaranteed Delivery.

3. **REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE OR ADDITIONAL COPIES.** Questions relating to the Exchange Offer or the procedure for consenting and tendering as well as requests for assistance or for additional copies of the Prospectus, the Letter of Transmittal and this Notice of Guaranteed Delivery, may be directed to the Exchange Agent at the address set forth on the cover hereof or to your broker, dealer, commercial bank or trust company.

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

EXCHANGE OFFER IN RESPECT OF

Unregistered 6.875% Notes Due 2013
(\$150,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding Issued August 6, 2003)

To Holders:

We are enclosing herewith the material listed below relating to the offer (the "Exchange Offer") by Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation ("Wabtec") to exchange up to \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 6.875% Notes due 2013 (the "exchange notes") which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), for any and all of the \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its outstanding unregistered 6.875% Notes due 2013 (the "old notes"), upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Prospectus dated _____ (the "Prospectus") and the related Letter of Transmittal.

Enclosed herewith are copies of the following documents:

1. Prospectus dated _____ ;
2. Letter of Transmittal, including Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number; and
3. Instruction to Registered Holder from Beneficial Owner.

In addition, attached as Exhibit A hereto is a Letter to Clients which may be sent to your clients for whose account you hold old notes in your name or in the name of your nominee, which shall accompany the Instruction to Registered Holder from Beneficial Owner for obtaining such client's instruction with regard to the Exchange Offer.

WE URGE YOU TO CONTACT YOUR CLIENTS PROMPTLY. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE EXCHANGE OFFER WILL EXPIRE AT 5:00 P.M., NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON _____ UNLESS EXTENDED BY EQUITABLE IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION.

The Exchange Offer is not conditioned upon any minimum number of old notes being tendered.

Pursuant to the Letter of Transmittal, each Holder (as defined in the Letter of Transmittal) of old notes will represent to Wabtec that:

- the exchange notes acquired pursuant to the Exchange Offer are being acquired in the ordinary course of business of the person receiving the exchange notes, whether or not the person is the Holder;
- neither the Holder nor any other recipient of the exchange notes (if different than the Holder) is engaged in, intends to engage in, or has any arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in, the distribution of the old notes or exchange notes;
- neither the Holder nor any other recipient is an "affiliate" of Wabtec within the meaning of Rule 405 promulgated under the Securities Act;
- if the signatory is a broker-dealer, it has not entered into any arrangement or understanding with Wabtec or any "affiliate" of Wabtec within the meaning of Rule 405 promulgated under the Securities Act to distribute the exchange notes; and

- if the signatory is a broker-dealer, the signatory further represents and warrants that it will receive exchange notes for its own account in exchange for old notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, and the signatory will deliver a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act (for which purposes, the delivery of the Prospectus, as the same may be hereafter supplemented or amended, shall be sufficient) in connection with any resale of exchange notes received in the Exchange Offer.

By acknowledging that you will deliver and by delivering a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of such exchange notes, you will not be deemed to admit that you are an “underwriter” within the meaning of the Securities Act.

By its acceptance of the Exchange Offer, any broker-dealer that receives exchange notes pursuant to the Exchange Offer agrees to notify us in writing before using the Prospectus in connection with the resale or transfer of exchange notes. Any such broker-dealer will be required to acknowledge and agree that, upon receipt of notice from us of the happening of any event which makes any statement in the Prospectus untrue in any material respect or which requires the making of any changes in the Prospectus to make the statements in the Prospectus not misleading or which may impose upon us disclosure obligations that may have a material adverse effect on us, which notice we agree to deliver promptly to any such broker-dealer, such broker-dealer will suspend use of the Prospectus until we have notified such broker-dealer that delivery of the Prospectus may resume and have furnished to such broker-dealer copies of any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus. We have agreed in the exchange and registration rights agreement that for a period of 180 days after the effective date of the registration statement of which the Prospectus is a part we will make the Prospectus, as amended or supplemented, available to any broker-dealer who requests it in writing for use in connection with any such resale.

The enclosed Instruction to Registered Holders from Beneficial Owner contains an authorization by the beneficial owners of the old notes for you to make the foregoing representations.

Wabtec will not pay any fee or commission to any broker or dealer or to any other person other than the exchange agents for the Exchange Offer. Wabtec will pay all transfer taxes, if any, applicable to the exchange of old notes pursuant to the Exchange Offer, except as otherwise provided in the Prospectus under the caption “The exchange offer-transfer taxes.”

Any inquiries you may have with respect to the Exchange Offer may be addressed to, and additional copies of the enclosed materials may be obtained from, the Exchange Agent, The Bank of New York, in the manner set forth below.

EXCHANGE AGENT:

**The Bank of New York
Corporate Trust Operations
Reorganization Unit
101 Barclay Street-7E
New York, New York 10286
Attention: Mr. Bernard Arsenec
Telephone: 212-815-5098
Facsimile: 212-298-1915**

Very truly yours,

**WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES
CORPORATION**

NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN OR IN THE ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS SHALL CONSTITUTE YOU OR ANY OTHER PERSON AS AN AGENT OF WABTEC OR THE EXCHANGE AGENT, OR AUTHORIZE YOU OR ANY OTHER PERSON TO USE ANY DOCUMENT OR MAKE ANY STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF WABTEC OR THE EXCHANGE AGENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXCHANGE OFFER OTHER THAN THE DOCUMENTS ENCLOSED HERewith AND THE STATEMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN.

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION
EXCHANGE OFFER IN RESPECT OF
Unregistered 6.875% Notes Due 2013
(\$150,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding Issued August 6, 2003)

To Our Clients:

We are enclosing herewith a Prospectus dated _____ (the "Prospectus") of Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation ("Wabtec") and the related Letter of Transmittal (which together constitute the "Exchange Offer") relating to the offer by Wabtec to exchange up to \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 6.875% Notes due 2013 (the "exchange notes") which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), for any and all of the \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its outstanding unregistered 6.875% Notes due 2013 (the "old notes"), upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Exchange Offer.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE EXCHANGE OFFER WILL EXPIRE AT 5:00 P.M., NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON _____ UNLESS EXTENDED BY WABTEC IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION.

The Exchange Offer is not conditioned upon any minimum number of old notes being tendered.

We are the holder of record of old notes held by us for your account. A tender of such old notes can be made only by us as the record holder and pursuant to your instructions. The Letter of Transmittal is furnished to you for your information only and cannot be used by you to tender old notes held by us for your account.

We request instructions as to whether you wish to tender any or all of the old notes held by us for your account pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Exchange Offer. We also request that you confirm that we may make the representations contained in the Letter of Transmittal on your behalf.

Pursuant to the Letter of Transmittal, each Holder (as defined in the Letter of Transmittal) of old notes will represent to Wabtec that:

- the exchange notes acquired pursuant to the Exchange Offer are being acquired in the ordinary course of business of the person receiving the exchange notes, whether or not the person is the Holder;
- neither the Holder nor any other recipient of the exchange notes (if different than the Holder) is engaged in, intends to engage in, or has any arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in, the distribution of the old notes or exchange notes;
- neither the Holder nor any other recipient is an "affiliate" of Wabtec within the meaning of Rule 405 promulgated under the Securities Act;
- if the signatory is a broker-dealer, it has not entered into any arrangement or understanding with Wabtec or any "affiliate" of Wabtec within the meaning of Rule 405 promulgated under the Securities Act to distribute the exchange notes; and

- if the signatory is a broker-dealer, the signatory further represents and warrants that it will receive exchange notes for its own account in exchange for old notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, and the signatory will deliver a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act (for which purposes, the delivery of the Prospectus, as the same may be hereafter supplemented or amended, shall be sufficient) in connection with any resale of exchange notes received in the Exchange Offer.

By acknowledging that you will deliver and by delivering a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of such exchange notes, you will not be deemed to admit that you are an “underwriter” within the meaning of the Securities Act.

By its acceptance of the Exchange Offer, any broker-dealer that receives Exchange Notes pursuant to the Exchange Offer agrees to notify Wabtec in writing before using the Prospectus in connection with the resale or transfer of Exchange Notes. Any such broker-dealer will be required to acknowledge and agree that, upon receipt of notice from Wabtec of the happening of any event which makes any statement in the Prospectus untrue in any material respect or which requires the making of any changes in the Prospectus to make the statements in the Prospectus not misleading or which may impose upon Wabtec disclosure obligations that may have a material adverse effect on Wabtec, which notice Wabtec agrees to deliver promptly to any such broker-dealer, such broker-dealer will suspend use of the Prospectus until Wabtec has notified such broker-dealer that delivery of the Prospectus may resume and has furnished to such broker-dealer copies of any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus. Wabtec has agreed in the exchange and registration rights agreement that for a period of 180 days after the effective date of the registration statement of which the Prospectus is a part Wabtec will make the Prospectus, as amended or supplemented, available to any broker-dealer who requests it in writing for use in connection with any such resale.

Very truly yours,

WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION
INSTRUCTION TO REGISTERED HOLDER FROM BENEFICIAL OWNER OF

Unregistered 6.875% Notes Due 2013
(\$150,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding Issued August 6, 2003)

To Registered Holder:

The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of the Prospectus dated _____ (the "Prospectus") of Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation ("Wabtec") and the related Letter of Transmittal, that together constitute the offer of Wabtec (the "Exchange Offer") to exchange up to \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 6.875% Notes due 2013 (the "exchange notes") which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), for any and all of the \$150,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its outstanding unregistered 6.875% Notes due 2013 (the "old notes"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Prospectus.

This will instruct you, the registered holder, as to the action to be taken by you relating to the Exchange Offer with respect to the old notes held by you for the account of the undersigned.

The aggregate face amount of the old notes held by you for the account of the undersigned is (fill in amount):

\$ of 6.875% Notes due 2013.

With respect to the Exchange Offer, the undersigned hereby instructs you (check appropriate box):

To TENDER the following old notes held by you for the account of the undersigned (insert principal amount of old notes to be tendered (if any)):

\$ of 6.875% Notes due 2013.

NOT to TENDER any old notes held by you for the account of the undersigned.

If the undersigned instructs you to tender old notes held by you for the account of the undersigned, it is understood that you are authorized to make, on behalf of the undersigned (and the undersigned, by its signature below, hereby makes to you), the representations and warranties contained in the Letter of Transmittal that are to be made with respect to the undersigned as a beneficial owner, including but not limited to the representations, that:

- the exchange notes acquired pursuant to the Exchange Offer are being acquired in the ordinary course of business of the person receiving the exchange notes, whether or not the person is the undersigned;
- neither the undersigned nor any other recipient of the exchange notes (if different than the undersigned) is engaged in, intends to engage in, or has any arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in, the distribution of the old notes or exchange notes;
- neither the undersigned nor any other recipient is an "affiliate" of Wabtec within the meaning of Rule 405 promulgated under the Securities Act;
- if the undersigned is a broker-dealer, it has not entered into any arrangement or understanding with Wabtec or any "affiliate" of Wabtec within the meaning of Rule 405 promulgated under the Securities Act to distribute the exchange notes; and

- if the undersigned is a broker-dealer, the undersigned further represents and warrants that the undersigned broker-dealer will receive exchange notes for its own account in exchange for old notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, and the undersigned will deliver a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act (for which purposes, the delivery of the Prospectus, as the same may be hereafter supplemented or amended, shall be sufficient) in connection with any resale of exchange notes received in the Exchange Offer.

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SIGN HERE

Name of beneficial owner(s) (please type or print): _____

Signature: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Taxpayer Identification or Social Security Number: _____

Date: _____