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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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

Date of	f Report (Date of earliest event rep	December 14, 2007
	Auriga Laboratorio (Exact name of registrant as spec	
Delaware	000-26013	84-1334687
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
	10635 Santa Monica Blvd. #120, L (Address of principal executive	6 ,
Regist	rant's telephone number, includin	g area code: (310) 461-3600
	NI/A	

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

the	registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):
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	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 1 - Registrant's Business and Operations

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On December 17, 2007, we entered into an Investment Agreement with Dutchess Private Equities Fund, Ltd. (the "Investor"). Pursuant to this Agreement, the Investor shall commit to purchase up to \$2,500,000 of our common stock over the course of thirty-six (36) months. The amount that we shall be entitled to request from each purchase ("Puts") shall be equal to, at our election, either (i) up to \$250,000 or (ii) up to 200% of the average daily volume (U.S. market only) of the common stock for the ten (10) trading days prior to the applicable Put Notice Date, multiplied by the average of the three (3) daily closing bid prices immediately preceding the Put Date. The put date shall be the date that the Investor receives a put notice of a draw down by us. The purchase price shall be set at ninety-three percent (93%) of the lowest closing Best Bid price of the Common Stock during the pricing period. The pricing period shall be the five (5) consecutive trading days immediately after the put notice date. There are put restrictions applied on days between the put date and the closing date with respect to that particular put. During this time, we shall not be entitled to deliver another put notice.

Pursuant to a Registration Rights Agreement entered into consecutively with the Investment Agreement, we are obligated to file a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") covering 15,000,000 shares of the common stock underlying the Investment Agreement within 15 days after the closing date. In addition, we are obligated to use all commercially reasonable efforts to have the registration statement declared effective by the SEC within 90 days after the closing date. We shall have an ongoing obligation to register additional shares of our common stock as necessary underlying the draw downs.

A copy of the Investment Agreement and Registration Rights Agreement are attached hereto as Exhibits 10.1 and 10.2.

On December 14, 2007, we entered into a lease for approximately 19,496 square feet of space in Camarillo, California ("Lease"). The Lease is for a 3 year term from February 15, 2008 through February 28, 2011. The company will pay \$1.128 per square foot per month for a total payment of \$22,000 per month with approximately 3% annual increases. The space will be used for warehousing and distribution of our products and used as the company's main corporate headquarters.

A copy of the Lease is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.3.

ITEM 3.02 UNREGISTERED SALE OF EQUITY SECURITIES

See Item 1.01 above.

We claim an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act") for private placement of these securities pursuant to Section 4(2) of the Act and/or Rule 506 of Regulation D promulgated thereunder since, among other things, the transaction does not involve a public offering, the Investor is an "accredited investor" and/or qualified institutional buyer, the Investor has access to information about the Company and its investment, the Investor will take the securities for investment and not resale, and the Company is taking appropriate measures to restrict the transfer of the securities.

Section 8 - Other Events

Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 19, 2007, the company issued a press release announcing the Investment and Registration Rights Agreement with Dutchess Private Equity Fund, Ltd. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as exhibit 99.1.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired.

Not applicable

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

Not applicable

(c) Shell Company Transactions.

Not Applicable

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
10.1	Investment Agreement between Dutchess Private Equities Fund, Ltd. and Auriga Laboratories,
	Inc.
10.2	Registration Rights Agreement between Dutchess Private Equities Fund, Ltd. and Auriga
	Laboratories, Inc.
10.3	Commercial Lease dated December 14, 2007.
99.1	Press Release dated December 19, 2007.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Auriga Laboratories, Inc. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: December 19, 2007 AURIGA LABORATORIES, INC.

By: /s/ Philip S. Pesin

Philip S. Pesin

Chief Executive Officer

Exhibit 10.1

INVESTMENT AGREEMENT

INVESTMENT AGREEMENT (this "AGREEMENT"), dated as of December 17, 2007 by and between Auriga Laboratories, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and Dutchess Private Equities Fund, Ltd., a Cayman Islands exempted company (the "Investor").

WHEREAS, the parties desire that, upon the terms and subject to the conditions contained herein, the Investor shall invest up to Two Million Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) to purchase the Company's Common Stock, \$.001 par value per share (the "Common Stock");

WHEREAS, such investments will be made in reliance upon the provisions of Section 4(2) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"), Rule 506 of Regulation D, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and/ or upon such other exemption from the registration requirements of the 1933 Act as may be available with respect to any or all of the investments in Common Stock to be made hereunder; and

WHEREAS, contemporaneously with the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the parties hereto are executing and delivering a Registration Rights Agreement substantially in the form attached hereto (the "Registration Rights Agreement") pursuant to which the Company has agreed to provide certain registration rights under the 1933 Act, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and applicable state securities laws.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals, which shall be considered an integral part of this Agreement, the covenants and agreements set forth hereafter, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Company and the Investor hereby agree as follows:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings specified or indicated below, and such meanings shall be equally applicable to the singular and plural forms of such defined terms.

"1933 Act" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble of this agreement.

"1934 Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as it may be amended.

"Affiliate" shall have the meaning specified in Section 5(H), below.

"Agreement" shall mean this Investment Agreement.

"Best Bid" shall mean the highest posted bid price of the Common Stock during a given period of time.

"By-laws" shall have the meaning specified in Section 4(C).

"Certificate of Incorporation" shall have the meaning specified in Section 4(C).

"Closing" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2(G).

"Closing Date" shall mean no more than seven (7) Trading Days following the Put Notice Date.

"Common Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble of this Agreement.

"Control" or "Controls" shall have the meaning specified in Section 5(H).

"Effective Date" shall mean the date the SEC declares effective under the 1933 Act the Registration Statement covering the Securities.

"Environmental Laws" shall have the meaning specified in Section 4(M).

"Equity Line Transaction Documents" shall mean this Agreement, the Registration Rights Agreement.

"Execution Date" shall mean the date indicated in the preamble to this Agreement.

"Indemnities" shall have the meaning specified in Section 11.

"Indemnified Liabilities" shall have the meaning specified in Section 11.

"Ineffective Period" shall mean any period of time that the Registration Statement or any Supplemental Registration Statement (as defined in the Registration Rights Agreement between the parties) becomes ineffective or unavailable for use for the sale or resale, as applicable, of any or all of the Registrable Securities (as defined in the Registration Rights Agreement) for any reason (or in the event the prospectus under either of the above is not current and deliverable) during any time period required under the Registration Rights Agreement.

"Investor" shall have the meaning indicated in the preamble of this Agreement.

"Material Adverse Effect" shall have the meaning specified in Section 4(A).

"Maximum Common Stock Issuance" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2(H).

"Open Market Adjustment Amount" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2(I).

"Open Market Purchase" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2(I)

"Open Market Share Purchase" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2(I).

"Open Period" shall mean the period beginning on and including the Trading Day immediately following the Effective Date and ending on the earlier to occur of (i) the date which is thirty-six (36) months from the Effective Date; or (ii) termination of the Agreement in accordance with Section 9, below.

"Pricing Period" shall mean the period beginning on the Put Notice Date and ending on and including the date that is five (5) Trading Days after such Put Notice Date.

"Principal Market" shall mean the American Stock Exchange, Inc., the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Over-the-Counter Bulletin Board, the NASDAQ National Market System or the NASDAQ SmallCap Market, whichever is the principal market on which the Common Stock is listed.

"Prospectus" shall mean the prospectus, preliminary prospectus and supplemental prospectus used in connection with the Registration Statement.

"Purchase Amount" shall mean the total amount being paid by the Investor on a particular Closing Date to purchase the Securities.

"Purchase Price" shall mean ninety-three percent (93%) of the lowest Volume Weighted Average Price (VWAP) of the Common Stock during the Pricing Period.

"Put" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2(B)(1) hereof.

"Put Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2(B)(1) hereof.

"<u>Put Notice</u>" shall mean a written notice sent to the Investor by the Company stating the Put Amount in U.S. dollars the Company intends to sell to the Investor pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and stating the current number of Shares issued and outstanding on such date.

"Put Notice Date" shall mean the Trading Day, as set forth below, immediately following the day on which the Investor receives a Put Notice, however a Put Notice shall be deemed delivered on (a) the Trading Day it is received by facsimile or otherwise by the Investor if such notice is received prior to 9:00 am Eastern Time, or (b) the immediately succeeding Trading Day if it is received by facsimile or otherwise after 9:00 am Eastern Time on a Trading Day. No Put Notice may be deemed delivered on a day that is not a Trading Day.

"<u>Put Restriction</u>" shall mean the days between the beginning of the Pricing Period and Closing Date. During this time, the Company shall not be entitled to deliver another Put Notice.

"Put Shares Due" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2(I).

"Registration Period" shall have the meaning specified in Section 5(C), below.

"Registration Rights Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals, above.

"Registration Statement" means the registration statement of the Company filed under the 1933 Act covering the Common Stock issuable hereunder.

"Related Party" shall have the meaning specified in Section 5(H).

"Resolution" shall have the meaning specified in Section 8(E).

"SEC" shall mean the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission.

"SEC Documents" shall have the meaning specified in Section 4(F).

"Securities" shall mean the shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to the terms of the Agreement.

"Shares" shall mean the shares of the Company's Common Stock.

"Subsidiaries" shall have the meaning specified in Section 4(A).

"Trading Day" shall mean any day on which the Principal Market for the Common Stock is open for trading, from the hours of 9:30 am until 4:00 pm.

(A) PURCHASE AND SALE OF COMMON STOCK. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Company shall issue and sell to the Investor, and the Investor shall purchase from the Company, up to that number of Shares having an aggregate Purchase Price of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$2,500,000).

(B) DELIVERY OF PUT NOTICES.

(I) Subject to the terms and conditions of the Equity Line Transaction Documents, and from time to time during the Open Period, the Company may, in its sole discretion, deliver a Put Notice to the Investor which states the dollar amount (designated in U.S. Dollars) (the "Put Amount"), which the Company intends to sell to the Investor on a Closing Date (the "Put"). The Put Notice shall be in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C and incorporated herein by reference. The amount that the Company shall be entitled to Put to the Investor (the "Put Amount") shall be equal to, at the Company's election, either: (A) Two Hundred percent (200%) of the average daily volume (U.S. market only) of the Common Stock for the Ten (10) Trading Days prior to the applicable Put Notice Date, multiplied by the average of the three (3) daily closing bid prices immediately preceding the Put Date, or (B) two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000). During the Open Period, the Company shall not be entitled to submit a Put Notice until after the previous Closing has been completed. The Purchase Price for the Common Stock identified in the Put Notice shall be equal to ninety-three percent (93%) of the lowest Volume Weighted Average Price (VWAP) of the Common Stock during the Pricing Period.

(C) INTENTIONALLY OMITTED

- (D) CONDITIONS TO INVESTOR'S OBLIGATION TO PURCHASE SHARES. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Company shall not be entitled to deliver a Put Notice and the Investor shall not be obligated to purchase any Shares at a Closing (as defined in Section 2(G)) unless each of the following conditions are satisfied:
- (I) a Registration Statement shall have been declared effective and shall remain effective and available for the resale of all the Registrable Securities (as defined in the Registration Rights Agreement) at all times until the Closing with respect to the subject Put Notice;
- (II) at all times during the period beginning on the related Put Notice Date and ending on and including the related Closing Date, the Common Stock shall have been listed on the Principal Market and shall not have been suspended from trading thereon for a period of two (2) consecutive Trading Days during the Open Period and the Company shall not have been notified of any pending or threatened proceeding or other action to suspend the trading of the Common Stock;
- (III) the Company has complied with its obligations and is otherwise not in breach of or in default under, this Agreement, the Registration Rights Agreement or any other agreement executed in connection herewith which has not been cured prior to delivery of the Investor's Put Notice Date;
- (IV) no injunction shall have been issued and remain in force, or action commenced by a governmental authority which has not been stayed or abandoned, prohibiting the purchase or the issuance of the Securities; and

If any of the events described in clauses (I) through (V) above occurs during a Pricing Period, then the Investor shall have no obligation to purchase the Put Amount of Common Stock set forth in the applicable Put Notice.

(E) RESERVED

(F) MECHANICS OF PURCHASE OF SHARES BY INVESTOR. Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Sections 2(E), 7 and 8, the closing of the purchase by the Investor of Shares (a "Closing") shall occur on the date which is no later than seven (7) Trading Days following the applicable Put Notice Date (each a "Closing Date"). Prior to each Closing Date, (I) the Company shall deliver to the Investor pursuant to this Agreement, certificates representing the Shares to be issued to the Investor on such date and registered in the name of the Investor; and (II) the Investor shall deliver to the Company the Purchase Price to be paid for such Shares, determined as set forth in Section 2(B). In lieu of delivering physical certificates representing the Securities and provided that the Company's transfer agent then is participating in The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") Fast Automated Securities Transfer ("FAST") program, upon request of the Investor, the Company shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to cause its transfer agent to electronically transmit the Securities by crediting the account of the Investor's prime broker (as specified by the Investor within a reasonably in advance of the Investor's notice) with DTC through its Deposit Withdrawal Agent Commission ("DWAC") system.

The Company understands that a delay in the issuance of Securities beyond the Closing Date could result in economic damage to the Investor. After the Effective Date, as compensation to the Investor for such loss, the Company agrees to make late payments to the Investor for late issuance of Securities (delivery of Securities after the applicable Closing Date) in accordance with the following schedule (where "No. of Days Late" is defined as the number of trading days beyond the Closing Date, with the Amounts being cumulative.):

LATE PAYMENT FOR EACH

NO. OF DAYS LATE	\$10,000 WORTH OF COMMON STOCK
1	\$100
2	\$200
3	\$300
4	\$400
5	\$500
6	\$600
7	\$700
8	\$800
9	\$900
10	\$1,000
Over 10	\$1,000 + \$200 for each
	Business Day late beyond 10 days

The Company shall make any payments incurred under this Section in immediately available funds upon demand by the Investor. Nothing herein shall limit the Investor's right to pursue actual damages for the Company's failure to issue and deliver the Securities to the Investor, except that such late payments shall offset any such actual damages incurred by the Investor, and any Open Market Adjustment Amount, as set forth below.

(G) OVERALL LIMIT ON COMMON STOCK ISSUABLE. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, if during the Open Period the Company becomes listed on an exchange that limits the number of shares of Common Stock that may be issued without shareholder approval, then the number of Shares issuable by the Company and purchasable by the Investor, shall not exceed that number of the shares of Common Stock that may be issuable without shareholder approval (the "Maximum Common Stock Issuance"). If such issuance of shares of Common Stock could cause a delisting on the Principal Market, then the Maximum Common Stock Issuance shall first be approved by the Company's shareholders in accordance with applicable law and the By-laws and Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, if such issuance of shares of Common Stock could cause a delisting on the Principal Market. The parties understand and agree that the Company's failure to seek or obtain such shareholder approval shall in no way adversely affect the validity and due authorization of the issuance and sale of Securities or the Investor's obligation in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof to purchase a number of Shares in the aggregate up to the Maximum Common Stock Issuance limitation, and that such approval pertains only to the applicability of the Maximum Common Stock Issuance limitation provided in this Section 2(H).

(H) If, by the third (3rd) business day after the Closing Date, the Company fails to deliver any portion of the shares of the Put to the Investor (the "Put Shares Due") and the Investor purchases, in an open market transaction or otherwise, shares of Common Stock necessary to make delivery of shares which would have been delivered if the full amount of the shares to be delivered to the Investor by the Company (the "Open Market Share Purchase"), then the Company shall pay to the Investor, in addition to any other amounts due to Investor pursuant to the Put, and not in lieu thereof, the Open Market Adjustment Amount (as defined below). The "Open Market Adjustment Amount" is the amount equal to the excess, if any, of (x) the Investor's total purchase price (including brokerage commissions, if any) for the Open Market Share Purchase minus (y) the net proceeds (after brokerage commissions, if any) received by the Investor from the sale of the Put Shares Due. The Company shall pay the Open Market Adjustment Amount to the Investor in immediately available funds within five (5) business days of written demand by the Investor. By way of illustration and not in limitation of the foregoing, if the Investor purchases shares of Common Stock having a total purchase price (including brokerage commissions) of \$11,000 to cover an Open Market Purchase with respect to shares of Common Stock it sold for net proceeds of \$10,000, the Open Market Purchase Adjustment Amount which the Company will be required to pay to the Investor will be \$1,000.

(I) LIMITATION ON AMOUNT OF OWNERSHIP. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in no event shall the Investor be entitled to purchase that number of Shares, which when added to the sum of the number of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned (as such term is defined under Section 13(d) and Rule 13d-3 of the 1934 Act), by the Investor, would exceed 4.99% of the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding on the Closing Date, as determined in accordance with Rule 13d-1(j) of the 1934 Act.

SECTION 3. INVESTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS.

The Investor represents and warrants to the Company, and covenants, that:

(A) SOPHISTICATED INVESTOR. The Investor has, by reason of its business and financial experience, such knowledge, sophistication and experience in financial and business matters and in making investment decisions of this type that it is capable of (I) evaluating the merits and risks of an investment in the Securities and making an informed investment decision; (II) protecting its own interest; and (III) bearing the economic risk of such investment for an indefinite period of time.

(B) AUTHORIZATION; ENFORCEMENT. This Agreement has been duly and validly authorized, executed and delivered on behalf of the Investor and is a valid and binding agreement of the Investor enforceable against the Investor in accordance with its terms, subject as to enforceability to general principles of equity and to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency,

reorganization, moratorium, liquidation and other similar laws relating to, or affecting generally, the enforcement of applicable creditors' rights and remedies.

(C) SECTION 9 OF THE 1934 ACT. During the term of this Agreement, the Investor will comply with the provisions of Section 9 of the 1934 Act, and the rules promulgated thereunder, with respect to transactions involving the Common Stock.

The Investor agrees not to sell the Company's stock short, either directly or indirectly through its affiliates, principals or

advisors, the Company's common stock during the term of this Agreement.

(D) ACCREDITED INVESTOR. Investor is an "Accredited Investor" as that term is defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation

D of the 1933 Act.

(E) NO CONFLICTS. The execution, delivery and performance of the Transaction Documents by the Investor and the

consummation by the Investor of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby will not result in a violation of

Partnership Agreement or other organizational documents of the Investor.

(F) OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS. The Investor has received all materials relating to the Company's business, finance and

operations which it has requested. The Investor has had an opportunity to discuss the business, management and financial

affairs of the Company with the Company's management.

(G) INVESTMENT PURPOSES. The Investor is purchasing the Securities for its own account for investment purposes and

not with a view towards distribution and agrees to resell or otherwise dispose of the Securities solely in accordance with the

registration provisions of the 1933 Act (or pursuant to an exemption from such registration provisions).

(H) NO REGISTRATION AS A DEALER. The Investor is not and will not be required to be registered as a "dealer" under

the 1934 Act, either as a result of its execution and performance of its obligations under this Agreement or otherwise.

(I) GOOD STANDING. The Investor is a Limited Partnership, duly organized, validly existing and in good standing in

the Cayman Islands.

(J) TAX LIABILITIES. The Investor understands that it is liable for its own tax liabilities.

(K) REGULATION M. The Investor will comply with Regulation M under the 1934 Act, if applicable.

SECTION 4. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE COMPANY.

Except as set forth in the Schedules attached hereto, or as disclosed on the Company's SEC Documents, the Company

represents and warrants to the Investor that:

(A) ORGANIZATION AND QUALIFICATION. The Company is a corporation duly organized and validly existing in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and has the requisite corporate power and authorization to own its properties and to carry on its business as now being conducted. Both the Company and the companies it owns or controls ("Subsidiaries") are duly qualified to do business and are in good standing in every jurisdiction in which its ownership of property or the nature of the business conducted by it makes such qualification necessary, except to the extent that the failure to be so qualified or be in good standing would not have a Material Adverse Effect. As used in this Agreement, "Material Adverse Effect" means any material adverse effect on the business, properties, assets, operations, results of operations, financial condition or prospects of the Company and its Subsidiaries, if any, taken as a whole, or on the transactions contemplated hereby or by the agreements and instruments to be entered into in connection herewith, or on the authority or ability of the Company to perform its obligations under the Equity Line Transaction Documents (as defined in Section 1 and 4(B), below).

(B) AUTHORIZATION; ENFORCEMENT; COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER INSTRUMENTS.

- (I) The Company has the requisite corporate power and authority to enter into and perform this Investment Agreement and the Registration Rights Agreement (collectively, the "Equity Line Transaction Documents"), and to issue the Securities in accordance with the terms hereof and thereof.
- (II) The execution and delivery of the Equity Line Transaction Documents by the Company and the consummation by it of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, including without limitation the reservation for issuance and the issuance of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement, have been duly and validly authorized by the Company's Board of Directors and no further consent or authorization is required by the Company, its Board of Directors, or its shareholders.
 - (III) The Equity Line Transaction Documents have been duly and validly executed and delivered by the Company.
- (IV) The Equity Line Transaction Documents constitute the valid and binding obligations of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by general principles of equity or applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, liquidation or similar laws relating to, or affecting generally, the enforcement of creditors' rights and remedies.
- (C) CAPITALIZATION. As of the date hereof, the authorized capital stock of the Company consists of 250,000,000 shares of Common Stock, \$.001 par value per share, of which as of December 12, 2007, 52,954,037shares are issued and outstanding; 10,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock authorized, none issued, par value \$.001; as of December 12, 2007, and 27,870,310 shares reserved for issuance pursuant to options, warrants and other convertible securities. All of such outstanding shares have been, or upon issuance will be, validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable.

Except as disclosed in the Company's publicly available filings with the SEC:

(I) no shares of the Company's capital stock are subject to preemptive rights or any other similar rights or any liens or encumbrances suffered or permitted by the Company; (II) there are no outstanding debt securities; (III) there are no outstanding shares of capital stock, options, warrants, scrip, rights to subscribe to, calls or commitments of any character whatsoever relating to, or securities or rights convertible into, any shares of capital stock of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or contracts, commitments, understandings or arrangements by which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries

is or may become bound to issue additional shares of capital stock of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or options, warrants, scrip, rights to subscribe to, calls or commitments of any character whatsoever relating to, or securities or rights convertible into, any shares of capital stock of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries; (IV) there are no agreements or arrangements under which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is obligated to register the sale of any of their securities under the 1933 Act (except the Registration Rights Agreement); (V) there are no outstanding securities of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries which contain any redemption or similar provisions, and there are no contracts, commitments, understandings or arrangements by which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is or may become bound to redeem a security of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries; (VI) there are no securities or instruments containing anti-dilution or similar provisions that will be triggered by the issuance of the Securities as described in this Agreement; (VII) the Company does not have any stock appreciation rights or "phantom stock" plans or agreements or any similar plan or agreement; and (VIII) there is no dispute as to the classification of any shares of the Company's capital stock.

The Company has furnished to the Investor, or the Investor has had access through EDGAR to, true and correct copies of the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as in effect on the date hereof (the "Certificate of Incorporation"), and the Company's By-laws, as in effect on the date hereof (the "By-laws"), and the terms of all securities convertible into or exercisable for Common Stock and the material rights of the holders thereof in respect thereto.

(D) ISSUANCE OF SHARES. The Company has reserved fifteen million (15,000,000) Shares for issuance pursuant to this Agreement, which have been duly authorized and reserved those Shares for issuance (subject to adjustment pursuant to the Company's covenant set forth in Section 5(F) below) pursuant to this Agreement. Upon issuance in accordance with this Agreement, the Securities will be validly issued, fully paid for and non-assessable and free from all taxes, liens and charges with respect to the issue thereof. In the event the Company cannot register a sufficient number of Shares for issuance pursuant to this Agreement, the Company will use its best efforts to authorize and reserve for issuance the number of Shares required for the Company to perform its obligations hereunder as soon as reasonably practicable.

(E) NO CONFLICTS. The execution, delivery and performance of the Equity Line Transaction Documents by the Company and the consummation by the Company of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby will not (I) result in a violation of the Certificate of Incorporation, any Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Rights of any outstanding series of preferred stock of the Company or the By-laws; or (II) conflict with, or constitute a material default (or an event which with notice or lapse of time or both would become a material default) under, or give to others any rights of termination, amendment, acceleration or cancellation of, any material agreement, contract, indenture mortgage, indebtedness or instrument to which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is a party, or to the Company's knowledge result in a violation of any law, rule, regulation, order, judgment or decree (including United States federal and state securities laws and regulations and the rules and regulations of the Principal Market or principal securities exchange or trading market on which the Common Stock is traded or listed) applicable to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or by which any property or asset of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries is bound or affected. Except as disclosed in Schedule 4(e), neither the Company nor its Subsidiaries is in violation of any term of, or in default under, the Certificate of Incorporation, any Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Rights of any outstanding series of preferred stock of the Company or the By-laws or their organizational charter or by-laws, respectively, or any contract, agreement, mortgage, indebtedness, indenture, instrument, judgment, decree or order or any statute, rule or regulation applicable to the Company or its Subsidiaries, except for possible conflicts, defaults, terminations, amendments, accelerations, cancellations and violations that would not individually or in the aggregate have or constitute a Material Adverse Effect. The business of the Company and its Subsidiaries is not being conducted, and shall not be conducted, in violation of any law, statute, ordinance, rule, order or regulation of any governmental authority or agency, regulatory or self-regulatory agency, or court, except for possible violations the sanctions for which either individually or in the aggregate would not have a Material Adverse Effect. Except as specifically contemplated by this Agreement and as required under the 1933 Act or any securities laws of any states, to the Company's knowledge, the Company is not required to obtain any consent, authorization, permit or order of, or make any filing or registration (except the filing of a registration statement as outlined in the Registration Rights Agreement between the Parties) with, any court, governmental authority or agency, regulatory or self-regulatory agency or other third party in order for it to execute, deliver or perform any of its obligations under, or contemplated by, the Equity Line Transaction Documents in accordance with the terms hereof or thereof. All consents, authorizations, permits, orders, filings and registrations which the Company is required to obtain pursuant to the preceding sentence have been obtained or effected on or prior to the date hereof and are in full force and effect as of the date hereof. Except as disclosed in Schedule 4(e), the Company and its Subsidiaries are unaware of any facts or circumstances which might give rise to any of the foregoing. The Company is not, and will not be, in violation of the listing requirements of the Principal Market as in effect on the date hereof and on each of the Closing Dates and is not aware of any facts which would reasonably lead to delisting of the Common Stock by the Principal Market in the foreseeable future.

(F) SEC DOCUMENTS; FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. As of the date hereof, the Company has filed all reports, schedules, forms, statements and other documents required to be filed by it with the SEC pursuant to the reporting requirements of the 1934 Act (all of the foregoing filed prior to the date hereof and all exhibits included therein and financial statements and schedules thereto and documents incorporated by reference therein being hereinafter referred to as the "SEC Documents"). The Company has delivered to the Investor or its representatives, or they have had access through EDGAR to, true and complete copies of the SEC Documents. As of their respective filing dates, the SEC Documents complied in all material respects with the requirements of the 1934 Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder applicable to the SEC Documents, and none of the SEC Documents, at the time they were filed with the SEC, contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. As of their respective dates, the financial statements of the Company included in the SEC Documents complied as to form in all material respects with applicable accounting requirements and the published rules and regulations of the SEC with respect thereto. Such financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, by a firm that is a member of the Public Companies Accounting Oversight Board ("PCAOB") consistently applied, during the periods involved (except (I) as may be otherwise indicated in such financial statements or the notes thereto, or (II) in the case of unaudited interim statements, to the extent they may exclude footnotes or may be condensed or summary statements) and fairly present in all material respects the financial position of the Company as of the dates thereof and the results of its operations and cash flows for the periods then ended (subject, in the case of unaudited statements, to normal year-end audit adjustments). No other written information provided by or on behalf of the Company to the Investor which is not included in the SEC Documents, including, without limitation, information referred to in Section 4(D) of this Agreement, contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstance under which they are or were made, not misleading. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries or any of their officers, directors, employees or agents have provided the Investor with any material, nonpublic information which was not publicly disclosed prior to the date hereof and any material, nonpublic information provided to the Investor by the Company or its Subsidiaries or any of their officers, directors, employees or agents prior to any Closing Date shall be publicly disclosed by the Company prior to such Closing Date.

(G) ABSENCE OF CERTAIN CHANGES. Except as otherwise set forth in the SEC Documents, the Company does not intend to change the business operations of the Company in any material way. The Company has not taken any steps, and does not currently expect to take any steps, to seek protection pursuant to any bankruptcy law nor does the Company or its Subsidiaries have any knowledge or reason to believe that its creditors intend to initiate involuntary bankruptcy proceedings.

(H) ABSENCE OF LITIGATION AND/OR REGULATORY PROCEEDINGS. Except as set forth in the SEC Documents, there is no action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation before or by any court, public board, government agency, self-regulatory organization or body pending or, to the knowledge of the executive officers of Company or any of its Subsidiaries, threatened against or affecting the Company, the Common Stock or any of the Company's Subsidiaries or

any of the Company's or the Company's Subsidiaries' officers or directors in their capacities as such, in which an adverse decision could have a Material Adverse Effect.

- (I) ACKNOWLEDGMENT REGARDING INVESTOR'S PURCHASE OF SHARES. The Company acknowledges and agrees that the Investor is acting solely in the capacity of an arm's length purchaser with respect to the Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby. The Company further acknowledges that the Investor is not acting as a financial advisor or fiduciary of the Company (or in any similar capacity) with respect to the Equity Line Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and any advice given by the Investor or any of its respective representatives or agents in connection with the Equity Line Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby is merely incidental to the Investor's purchase of the Securities, and is not being relied on by the Company. The Company further represents to the Investor that the Company's decision to enter into the Equity Line Transaction Documents has been based solely on the independent evaluation by the Company and its representatives.
- (J) NO UNDISCLOSED EVENTS, LIABILITIES, DEVELOPMENTS OR CIRCUMSTANCES. Except as set forth in the SEC Documents, as of the date hereof, no event, liability, development or circumstance has occurred or exists, or to the Company's knowledge is contemplated to occur, with respect to the Company or its Subsidiaries or their respective business, properties, assets, prospects, operations or financial condition, that would be required to be disclosed by the Company under applicable securities laws on a registration statement filed with the SEC relating to an issuance and sale by the Company of its Common Stock and which has not been publicly announced.
- (K) EMPLOYEE RELATIONS. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is involved in any union labor dispute nor, to the knowledge of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, is any such dispute threatened. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is a party to a collective bargaining agreement, and the Company and its Subsidiaries believe that relations with their employees are good. No executive officer (as defined in Rule 501(f) of the 1933 Act) has notified the Company that such officer intends to leave the Company's employ or otherwise terminate such officer's employment with the Company.
- (L) INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS. The Company and its Subsidiaries own or possess adequate rights or licenses to use all trademarks, trade names, service marks, service mark registrations, service names, patents, patent rights, copyrights, inventions, licenses, approvals, governmental authorizations, trade secrets and rights necessary to conduct their respective businesses as now conducted. Except as set forth in the SEC Documents, none of the Company's trademarks, trade names, service marks, service mark registrations, service names, patents, patent rights, copyrights, inventions, licenses, approvals, government authorizations, trade secrets or other intellectual property rights necessary to conduct its business as now or as proposed to be conducted have expired or terminated, or are expected to expire or terminate within two (2) years from the date of this Agreement. The Company and its Subsidiaries do not have any knowledge of any infringement by the Company or its Subsidiaries of trademark, trade name rights, patents, patent rights, copyrights, inventions, licenses, service names, service marks, service mark registrations, trade secret or other similar rights of others, or of any such development of similar or identical trade secrets or technical information by others and, except as set forth in the SEC Documents, there is no claim, action or proceeding being made or brought against, or to the Company's knowledge, being threatened against, the Company or its Subsidiaries regarding trademark, trade name, patents, patent rights, invention, copyright, license, service names, service marks, service mark registrations, trade secret or other infringement; and the Company and its Subsidiaries are unaware of any facts or circumstances which might give rise to any of the foregoing. The Company and its Subsidiaries have taken commercially reasonable security measures to protect the secrecy, confidentiality and value of all of their intellectual properties.

- (M) ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS. The Company and its Subsidiaries (I) are, to the knowledge of the management and directors of the Company and its Subsidiaries, in compliance with any and all applicable foreign, federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to the protection of human health and safety, the environment or hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants ("Environmental Laws"); (II) have, to the knowledge of the management and directors of the Company, received all permits, licenses or other approvals required of them under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their respective businesses; and (III) are in compliance, to the knowledge of the management and directors of the Company, with all terms and conditions of any such permit, license or approval where, in each of the three (3) foregoing cases, the failure to so comply would have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.
- (N) TITLE. The Company and its Subsidiaries have good and marketable title to all personal property owned by them which is material to the business of the Company and its Subsidiaries, in each case free and clear of all liens, encumbrances and defects except such as are described in the SEC Documents or such as do not materially affect the value of such property and do not interfere with the use made and proposed to be made of such property by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries. Any real property and facilities held under lease by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries are held by them under valid, subsisting and enforceable leases with such exceptions as are not material and do not interfere with the use made and proposed to be made of such property and buildings by the Company and its Subsidiaries.
- (O) INSURANCE. Each of the Company's Subsidiaries are insured by insurers of recognized financial responsibility against such losses and risks and in such amounts as management of the Company reasonably believes to be prudent and customary in the businesses in which the Company and its Subsidiaries are engaged. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries has been refused any insurance coverage sought or applied for and neither the Company nor its Subsidiaries has any reason to believe that it will not be able to renew its existing insurance coverage as and when such coverage expires or to obtain similar coverage from similar insurers as may be necessary to continue its business at a cost that would not have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (P) REGULATORY PERMITS. The Company and its Subsidiaries have in full force and effect all certificates, approvals, authorizations and permits from the appropriate federal, state, local or foreign regulatory authorities and comparable foreign regulatory agencies, necessary to own, lease or operate their respective properties and assets and conduct their respective businesses, and neither the Company nor any such Subsidiary has received any notice of proceedings relating to the revocation or modification of any such certificate, approval, authorization or permit, except for such certificates, approvals, authorizations or permits which if not obtained, or such revocations or modifications which, would not have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (Q) INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS. The Company and each of its Subsidiaries maintain a system 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 by a firm with membership to the PCAOB 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.
- (R) NO MATERIALLY ADVERSE CONTRACTS, ETC. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is subject to any charter, corporate or other legal restriction, or any judgment, decree, order, rule or regulation which in the judgment of the Company's officers has or is expected in the future to have a Material Adverse Effect. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is a party to any contract or agreement which in the judgment of the Company's officers has or is expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- (S) TAX STATUS. The Company and each of its Subsidiaries has made or filed all United States federal and state income and all other tax returns, reports and declarations required by any jurisdiction to which it is subject (unless and only to the extent that the Company and each of its Subsidiaries has set aside on its books provisions reasonably adequate for the payment of all unpaid and unreported taxes) and has paid all taxes and other governmental assessments and charges that are material in amount, shown or determined to be due on such returns, reports and declarations, except those being contested in good faith and has set aside on its books provision reasonably adequate for the payment of all taxes for periods subsequent to the periods to which such returns, reports or declarations apply. There are no unpaid taxes in any material amount claimed to be due by the taxing authority of any jurisdiction, and the officers of the Company know of no basis for any such claim.
- (T) CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS. Except as set forth in the SEC Documents filed at least ten (10) days prior to the date hereof and except for arm's length transactions pursuant to which the Company makes payments in the ordinary course of business upon terms no less favorable than the Company could obtain from disinterested third parties and other than the grant of stock options disclosed in the SEC Documents, none of the officers, directors, or employees of the Company is presently a party to any transaction with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (other than for services as employees, officers and directors), including any contract, agreement or other arrangement providing for the furnishing of services to or by, providing for rental of real or personal property to or from, or otherwise requiring payments to or from any officer, director or such employee or, to the knowledge of the Company, any corporation, partnership, trust or other entity in which any officer, director, or any such employee has a substantial interest or is an officer, director, trustee or partner.
- (U) DILUTIVE EFFECT. The Company understands and acknowledges that the number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon purchases pursuant to this Agreement will increase in certain circumstances including, but not necessarily limited to, the circumstance wherein the trading price of the Common Stock declines during the period between the Effective Date and the end of the Open Period. The Company's executive officers and directors have studied and fully understand the nature of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and recognize that they have a potential dilutive effect on the shareholders of the Company. The Board of Directors of the Company has concluded, in its good faith business judgment, and with full understanding of the implications, that such issuance is in the best interests of the Company. The Company specifically acknowledges that, subject to such limitations as are expressly set forth in the Equity Line Transaction Documents, its obligation to issue shares of Common Stock upon purchases pursuant to this Agreement is absolute and unconditional regardless of the dilutive effect that such issuance may have on the ownership interests of other shareholders of the Company.
- (V) LOCK-UP. The Company shall cause its officers, insiders, directors, and affiliates or other related parties under control of the Company, to refrain from selling Common Stock during each Pricing Period.
- (W) NO GENERAL SOLICITATION. Neither the Company, nor any of its affiliates, nor any person acting on its behalf, has engaged in any form of general solicitation or general advertising (within the meaning of Regulation D) in connection with the offer or sale of the Common Stock to be offered as set forth in this Agreement.
- (X) NO BROKERS, FINDERS OR FINANCIAL ADVISORY FEES OR COMMISSIONS. No brokers, finders or financial advisory fees or commissions will be payable by the Company, its agents or Subsidiaries, with respect to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, except as otherwise disclosed in this Agreement.

- (A) BEST EFFORTS. The Company shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to timely satisfy each of the conditions set forth in Section 7 of this Agreement.
- (B) BLUE SKY. The Company shall, at its sole cost and expense, on or before each of the Closing Dates, take such action as the Company shall reasonably determine is necessary to qualify the Securities for, or obtain exemption for the Securities for, sale to the Investor at each of the Closings pursuant to this Agreement under applicable securities or "Blue Sky" laws of such states of the United States, as reasonably specified by the Investor, and shall provide evidence of any such action so taken to the Investor on or prior to the Closing Date.
- (C) REPORTING STATUS. Until one of the following occurs, the Company shall file all reports required to be filed with the SEC pursuant to the 1934 Act, and the Company shall not terminate its status, or take an action or fail to take any action, which would terminate its status as a reporting company under the 1934 Act: (i) this Agreement terminates pursuant to Section 9 and the Investor has the right to sell all of the Securities without restrictions pursuant to Rule 144(k) promulgated under the 1933 Act, or such other exemption (ii) the date on which the Investor has sold all the Securities and this Agreement has been terminated pursuant to Section 9.
- (D) USE OF PROCEEDS. The Company will use the proceeds from the sale of the Shares (excluding amounts paid by the Company for fees as set forth in the Equity Line Transaction Documents) for general corporate and working capital purposes and acquisitions or assets, businesses or operations or for other purposes that the Board of Directors, in its good faith deem to be in the best interest of the Company.
- (E) FINANCIAL INFORMATION. During the Open Period, the Company agrees to make available to the Investor via EDGAR or other electronic means the following documents and information on the forms set forth: (I) within five (5) Trading Days after the filing thereof with the SEC, a copy of its Annual Reports on Form 10-KSB, its Quarterly Reports on Form 10-QSB, any Current Reports on Form 8-K and any Registration Statements or amendments filed pursuant to the 1933 Act; (II) copies of any notices and other information made available or given to the shareholders of the Company generally, contemporaneously with the making available or giving thereof to the shareholders; and (III) within two (2) calendar days of filing or delivery thereof, copies of all documents filed with, and all correspondence sent to, the Principal Market, any securities exchange or market, or the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., unless such information is material nonpublic information.
- (F) RESERVATION OF SHARES. The Company shall take all action necessary to at all times have authorized, and reserved for the purpose of issuance, a sufficient number of shares of Common Stock to provide for the issuance of the Securities to the Investor as required hereunder. In the event that the Company determines that it does not have a sufficient number of authorized shares of Common Stock to reserve and keep available for issuance as described in this Section 5(F), the Company shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to increase the number of authorized shares of Common Stock by seeking shareholder approval for the authorization of such additional shares.
- (G) LISTING. The Company shall promptly secure and maintain the listing of all of the Registrable Securities (as defined in the Registration Rights Agreement) on the Principal Market and each other national securities exchange and automated quotation system, if any, upon which shares of Common Stock are then listed (subject to official notice of issuance) and shall maintain, such listing of all Registrable Securities from time to time issuable under the terms of the Equity Line

Transaction Documents. Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries shall take any action which would be reasonably expected to result in the delisting or suspension of the Common Stock on the Principal Market (excluding suspensions of not more than one (1) trading day resulting from business announcements by the Company). The Company shall promptly provide to the Investor copies of any notices it receives from the Principal Market regarding the continued eligibility of the Common Stock for listing on such automated quotation system or securities exchange. The Company shall pay all fees and expenses in connection with satisfying its obligations under this Section 5(G).

- (H) TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES. The Company shall not, and shall cause each of its Subsidiaries not to, enter into, amend, modify or supplement, or permit any Subsidiary to enter into, amend, modify or supplement, any agreement, transaction, commitment or arrangement with any of its or any Subsidiary's officers, directors, persons who were officers or directors at any time during the previous two (2) years, shareholders who beneficially own 5% or more of the Common Stock, or Affiliates or with any individual related by blood, marriage or adoption to any such individual or with any entity in which any such entity or individual owns a 5% or more beneficial interest (each a "Related Party"), except for (I) customary employment arrangements and benefit programs on reasonable terms, (II) any agreement, transaction, commitment or arrangement on an arms-length basis on terms no less favorable than terms which would have been obtainable from a disinterested third party other than such Related Party, or (III) any agreement, transaction, commitment or arrangement which is approved by a majority of the disinterested directors of the Company. For purposes hereof, any director who is also an officer of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company shall not be a disinterested director with respect to any such agreement, transaction, commitment or arrangement. "Affiliate" for purposes hereof means, with respect to any person or entity, another person or entity that, directly or indirectly, (I) has a 5% or more equity interest in that person or entity, (II) has 5% or more common ownership with that person or entity, (III) controls that person or entity, or (IV) is under common control with that person or entity. "Control" or "Controls" for purposes hereof means that a person or entity has the power, directly or indirectly, to conduct or govern the policies of another person or entity.
- (I) FILING OF FORM 8-K. On or before the date which is four (4) Trading Days after the Execution Date, the Company shall file a Current Report on Form 8-K with the SEC describing the terms of the transaction contemplated by the Equity Line Transaction Documents in the form required by the 1934 Act, if such filing is required.
- (J) CORPORATE EXISTENCE. The Company shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to preserve and continue the corporate existence of the Company.
- (K) NOTICE OF CERTAIN EVENTS AFFECTING REGISTRATION; SUSPENSION OF RIGHT TO MAKE A PUT. The Company shall promptly notify the Investor upon the occurrence of any of the following events in respect of a Registration Statement or related prospectus in respect of an offering of the Securities: (I) receipt of any request for additional information by the SEC or any other federal or state governmental authority during the period of effectiveness of the Registration Statement for amendments or supplements to the Registration Statement or related prospectus; (II) the issuance by the SEC or any other federal or state governmental authority of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of any Registration Statement or the initiation of any proceedings for that purpose; (III) receipt of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification or exemption from qualification of any of the Securities for sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or notice of any proceeding for such purpose; (IV) the happening of any event that makes any statement made in such Registration Statement or related prospectus or any document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated therein by reference untrue in any material respect or that requires the making of any changes in the Registration Statement, related prospectus or documents so that, in the case of a Registration Statement, it will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and that in the case of the related prospectus, it will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and (V) the Company's reasonable determination that a post-

effective amendment to the Registration Statement would be appropriate, and the Company shall promptly make available to Investor any such supplement or amendment to the related prospectus. The Company shall not deliver to Investor any Put Notice during the continuation of any of the foregoing events in this Section 5(K).

- (L) REIMBURSEMENT. If (I) the Investor becomes involved in any capacity in any action, proceeding or investigation brought by any shareholder of the Company, in connection with or as a result of the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Equity Line Transaction Documents, or if the Investor is impleaded in any such action, proceeding or investigation by any person (other than as a result of a breach of the Investor's representations and warranties set forth in this Agreement); or (II) the Investor becomes involved in any capacity in any action, proceeding or investigation brought by the SEC against or involving the Company or in connection with or as a result of the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Equity Line Transaction Documents (other than as a result of a breach of the Investor's representations and warranties set forth in this Agreement), or if this Investor is impleaded in any such action, proceeding or investigation by any person, then in any such case, the Company will reimburse the Investor for its reasonable legal and other expenses (including the cost of any investigation and preparation) incurred in connection therewith, as such expenses are incurred. In addition, other than with respect to any matter in which the Investor is a named party, the Company will pay to the Investor the charges, as reasonably determined by the Investor, for the time of any officers or employees of the Investor devoted to appearing and preparing to appear as witnesses, assisting in preparation for hearings, trials or pretrial matters, or otherwise with respect to inquiries, hearing, trials, and other proceedings relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. The reimbursement obligations of the Company under this section shall be in addition to any liability which the Company may otherwise have, shall extend upon the same terms and conditions to any affiliates of the Investor that are actually named in such action, proceeding or investigation, and partners, directors, agents, employees, attorneys, accountants, auditors and controlling persons (if any), as the case may be, of Investor and any such affiliate, and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of any successors of the Company, the Investor and any such affiliate and any such person.
- (M) TRANSFER AGENT. Upon effectiveness of the Registration Statement, and for so long as the Registration Statement is effective, the Company shall deliver instructions to its transfer agent to issue Shares to the Investor that are covered for resale by the Registration Statement free of restrictive legends.
- (N) ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERMS. The Company hereby represents and warrants to the Investor that: (i) it is voluntarily entering into this Agreement of its own freewill, (ii) it is not entering this Agreement under economic duress, (iii) the terms of this Agreement are reasonable and fair to the Company, and (iv) the Company has had independent legal counsel of its own choosing review this Agreement, advise the Company with respect to this Agreement, and represent the Company in connection with this Agreement.

SECTION 6. INTENTIONALLY OMITTED

SECTION 7. CONDITIONS OF THE COMPANY'S OBLIGATION TO SELL.

The obligation hereunder of the Company to issue and sell the Securities to the Investor is further subject to the satisfaction, at or before each Closing Date, of each of the following conditions set forth below. These conditions are for the Company's sole benefit and may be waived by the Company at any time in its sole discretion.

- (A) The Investor shall have executed this Agreement and the Registration Rights Agreement and delivered the same to the Company.
- (B) The Investor shall have delivered to the Company the Purchase Price for the Securities being purchased by the Investor between the end of the Pricing Period and the Closing Date via a Put Settlement Sheet (hereto attached as Exhibit D). After

receipt of confirmation of delivery of such Securities to the Investor, the Investor, by wire transfer of immediately available funds pursuant to the wire instructions provided by the Company will disburse the funds constituting the Purchase Amount.

(C) No statute, rule, regulation, executive order, decree, ruling or injunction shall have been enacted, entered, promulgated or endorsed by any court or governmental authority of competent jurisdiction which prohibits the consummation of any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

SECTION 8. FURTHER CONDITIONS OF THE INVESTOR'S OBLIGATION TO PURCHASE.

The obligation of the Investor hereunder to purchase Shares is subject to the satisfaction, on or before each Closing Date, of each of the following conditions set forth below.

- (A) The Company shall have executed the Equity Line Transaction Documents and delivered the same to the Investor.
- (B) The Common Stock shall be authorized for quotation on the Principal Market and trading in the Common Stock shall not have been suspended by the Principal Market or the SEC, at any time beginning on the date hereof and through and including the respective Closing Date (excluding suspensions of not more than one (1) Trading Day resulting from business announcements by the Company, provided that such suspensions occur prior to the Company's delivery of the Put Notice related to such Closing).
- (C) The representations and warranties of the Company shall be true and correct as of the date when made and as of the applicable Closing Date as though made at that time and the Company shall have performed, satisfied and complied with the covenants, agreements and conditions required by the Equity Line Transaction Documents to be performed, satisfied or complied with by the Company on or before such Closing Date. The Investor may request an update as of such Closing Date regarding the representation contained in Section 4(C) above.
- (D) The Company shall have executed and delivered to the Investor the certificates representing, or have executed electronic book-entry transfer of, the Securities (in such denominations as the Investor shall request) being purchased by the Investor at such Closing.
- (E) The Board of Directors of the Company shall have adopted resolutions consistent with Section 4(B)(II) above (the "Resolutions") and such Resolutions shall not have been amended or rescinded prior to such Closing Date.
- (F) Reserved
- (G) No statute, rule, regulation, executive order, decree, ruling or injunction shall have been enacted, entered, promulgated or endorsed by any court or governmental authority of competent jurisdiction which prohibits the consummation of any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- (H) The Registration Statement shall be effective on each Closing Date and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration statement shall be in effect or to the Company's knowledge shall be pending or threatened. Furthermore, on each Closing Date (I) neither the Company nor the Investor shall have received notice that the SEC has issued or intends

to issue a stop order with respect to such Registration Statement or that the SEC otherwise has suspended or withdrawn the effectiveness of such Registration Statement, either temporarily or permanently, or intends or has threatened to do so (unless the SEC's concerns have been addressed and Investor is reasonably satisfied that the SEC no longer is considering or intends to take such action), and (II) no other suspension of the use or withdrawal of the effectiveness of such Registration Statement or related prospectus shall exist.

- (I) At the time of each Closing, the Registration Statement (including information or documents incorporated by reference therein) and any amendments or supplements thereto shall not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading or which would require public disclosure or an update supplement to the prospectus.
- (J) If applicable, the shareholders of the Company shall have approved the issuance of any Shares in excess of the Maximum Common Stock Issuance in accordance with Section 2(H) or the Company shall have obtained appropriate approval pursuant to the requirements of Delaware law and the Company's Articles of Incorporation and By-laws.
- (K) The conditions to such Closing set forth in Section 2(E) shall have been satisfied on or before such Closing Date.
- (L) The Company shall have certified to the Investor the number of Shares of Common Stock outstanding when a Put Notice is given to the Investor. The Company's delivery of a Put Notice to the Investor constitutes the Company's certification of the existence of the necessary number of shares of Common Stock reserved for issuance.

SECTION 9. TERMINATION. This Agreement shall terminate upon any of the following events:

- (I) when the Investor has purchased an aggregate of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) in the Common Stock of the Company pursuant to this Agreement; or,
- (II) on the date which is thirty-six (36) months after the Effective Date; or,
- (III) upon written notice of the Company to the Investor. Any and all shares, or penalties, if any, due under this Agreement shall be immediately payable and due upon termination of the Line.

SECTION 10. SUSPENSION

This Agreement shall be suspended upon any of the following events, and shall remain suspended until such event is rectified:

- (I) the trading of the Common Stock is suspended by the SEC, the Principal Market or the NASD for a period of two (2) consecutive Trading Days during the Open Period; or,
- (II) The Common Stock ceases to be registered under the 1934 Act or listed or traded on the Principal Market. Immediately upon the occurrence of one of the above-described events, the Company shall send written notice of such event to the Investor.

SECTION 11. INDEMNIFICATION.

In consideration of the parties mutual obligations set forth in the Transaction Documents, each of the parties (in such capacity, an "Indemnitor") shall defend, protect, indemnify and hold harmless the other and all of the other party's

shareholders, officers, directors, employees, counsel, and direct or indirect investors and any of the foregoing person's agents or other representatives (including, without limitation, those retained in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement) (collectively, the "Indemnitees") from and against any and all actions, causes of action, suits, claims, losses, costs, penalties, fees, liabilities and damages, and reasonable expenses in connection therewith (irrespective of whether any such Indemnitee is a party to the action for which indemnification hereunder is sought), and including reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements (the "Indemnified Liabilities"), incurred by any Indemnitee as a result of, or arising out of, or relating to (I) any misrepresentation or breach of any representation or warranty made by the Indemnitor or any other certificate, instrument or document contemplated hereby or thereby; (II) any breach of any covenant, agreement or obligation of the Indemnitor contained in the Equity Line Transaction Documents or any other certificate, instrument or document contemplated hereby or thereby; or (III) any cause of action, suit or claim brought or made against such Indemnitee by a third party and arising out of or resulting from the execution, delivery, performance or enforcement of the Equity Line Transaction Documents or any other certificate, instrument or document contemplated hereby or thereby, except insofar as any such misrepresentation, breach or any untrue statement, alleged untrue statement, omission or alleged omission is made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished to Indemnitor which is specifically intended for use in the preparation of any such Registration Statement, preliminary prospectus, prospectus or amendments to the prospectus. To the extent that the foregoing undertaking by the Indemnitor may be unenforceable for any reason, the Indemnitor shall make the maximum contribution to the payment and satisfaction of each of the Indemnified Liabilities which is permissible under applicable law. The indemnity provisions contained herein shall be in addition to any cause of action or similar rights Indemnitor may have, and any liabilities the Indemnitor or the Indemnitees may be subject to.

SECTION 12. GOVERNING LAW; DISPUTES SUBMITTED TO ARBITRATION.

All disputes arising under this agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to principles of conflict of laws. The parties to this agreement will submit all disputes arising under this agreement to arbitration in Boston, Massachusetts before a single arbitrator of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA"). The arbitrator shall be selected by application of the rules of the AAA, or by mutual agreement of the parties, except that such arbitrator shall be an attorney admitted to practice law in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. No party to this agreement will challenge the jurisdiction or venue provisions as provided in this section. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the party from obtaining an injunction.

- (B) LEGAL FEES; AND MISCELLANEOUS FEES. Except as otherwise set forth in the Equity Line Transaction Documents, each party shall pay the fees and expenses of its advisers, counsel, the accountants and other experts, if any, and all other expenses incurred by such party incident to the negotiation, preparation, execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement. Any attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by either the Company or the Investor in connection with the preparation, negotiation, execution and delivery of any amendments to this Agreement or relating to the enforcement of the rights of any party, after the occurrence of any breach of the terms of this Agreement by another party or any default by another party in respect of the transactions contemplated hereunder, shall be paid on demand by the party which breached the Agreement and/or defaulted, as the case may be. The Company shall pay all stamp and other taxes and duties levied in connection with the issuance of any Securities.
- (C) COUNTERPARTS. This Agreement may be executed in two or more identical counterparts, all of which shall be considered one and the same agreement and shall become effective when counterparts have been signed by each party and delivered to the other party; provided that a facsimile signature shall be considered due execution and shall be binding upon the signatory thereto with the same force and effect as if the signature were an original signature.

(D) HEADINGS; SINGULAR/PLURAL. The headings of this Agreement are for convenience of reference and shall not form part of, or affect the interpretation of, this Agreement. Whenever required by the context of this Agreement, the

singular shall include the plural and masculine shall include the feminine.

(E) SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Agreement shall be invalid or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, such

invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remainder of this Agreement in that

jurisdiction or the validity or enforceability of any provision of this Agreement in any other jurisdiction.

(F) ENTIRE AGREEMENT; AMENDMENTS. This Agreement is the FINAL AGREEMENT between the Company

and the Investor with respect to the terms and conditions set forth herein, and, the terms of this Agreement may not be contradicted by evidence of prior, contemporaneous, or subsequent oral agreements of the Parties. No provision of this

Agreement may be amended other than by an instrument in writing signed by the Company and the Investor, and no

provision hereof may be waived other than by an instrument in writing signed by the party against whom enforcement is

sought. The execution and delivery of the Equity Line Transaction Documents shall not alter the force and effect of any

other agreements between the Parties, and the obligations under those agreements.

(G) NOTICES. Any notices or other communications required or permitted to be given under the terms of this Agreement

must be in writing and will be deemed to have been delivered (I) upon receipt, when delivered personally; (II) upon receipt, when sent by facsimile (provided confirmation of transmission is mechanically or electronically generated and kept on file

by the sending party); or (III) one (1) day after deposit with a nationally recognized overnight delivery service, in each case

properly addressed to the party to receive the same. The addresses and facsimile numbers for such communications shall

be:

If to the Company:

Auriga Laboratories, Inc.

10635 Santa Monica Blvd.

Suite 120

Los Angeles, California 90025

Attention: Philip S. Pesin

Telephone: (310) 461-3600

Facsimile: (310) 806-4161

With copy to:

Auriga Laboratories, Inc.

10635 Santa Monica Blvd.

Suite 120

Los Angeles, California 90025

Attention: Sharyn G. Alcaraz

Telephone: (310) 461-3600

Facsimile: (310) 806-4161

If to the Investor:

Dutchess Private Equities Fund, Ltd.,

50 Commonwealth Avenue, Suite 2

Boston, MA 02116

Telephone: 617-301-4700 Facsimile: 617-249-0947

Each party shall provide five (5) days prior written notice to the other party of any change in address or facsimile number.

(H) NO ASSIGNMENT. This Agreement may not be assigned.

(I) NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES. This Agreement is intended for the benefit of the parties hereto and is not for the benefit of, nor may any provision hereof be enforced by, any other person, except that the Company acknowledges that

the rights of the Investor may be enforced by its general partner.

(J) SURVIVAL. The representations and warranties of the Company and the Investor contained in Sections 2 and 3, the agreements and covenants set forth in Sections 4 and 5, and the indemnification provisions set forth in Section 11, shall

survive each of the Closings and the termination of this Agreement.

(K) PUBLICITY. The Company and the Investor shall consult with each other in issuing any press releases or otherwise making public statements with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby and no party shall issue any such press release or otherwise make any such public statement without the prior consent of the other party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, except that no prior consent shall be required if such disclosure is required by law, in which such case the disclosing party shall provide the other party with prior notice of such public statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall not publicly disclose the name of the Investor without the prior consent of the Investor, except to the extent required by law. The Investor acknowledges that this Agreement and all or part of the Equity Line Transaction Documents may be deemed to be "material contracts" as that term is defined by Item 601(b)(10) of Regulation S-B, and that the Company may therefore be required to file such documents as exhibits to reports or registration

materials as material contracts shall be determined solely by the Company, in consultation with its counsel.

(L) FURTHER ASSURANCES. Each party shall do and perform, or cause to be done and performed, all such further acts and things, and shall execute and deliver all such other agreements, certificates, instruments and documents, as the

statements filed under the 1933 Act or the 1934 Act. The Investor further agrees that the status of such documents and

other party may reasonably request in order to carry out the intent and accomplish the purposes of this Agreement and the

consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.

(M) PLACEMENT AGENT. The Company agrees to pay a registered broker dealer, to act as placement agent, a percentage of the Put Amount on each draw toward the fee as outlined in the Placement Agent Agreement. The Investor shall have no

obligation with respect to any fees or with respect to any claims made by or on behalf of other persons or entities for fees of a type contemplated in this Section that may be due in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Equity Line Transaction Documents. The Company shall indemnify and hold harmless the Investor, their employees, officers, directors,

agents, and partners, and their respective affiliates, from and against all claims, losses, damages, costs (including the costs

of preparation and attorney's fees) and expenses incurred in respect of any such claimed or existing fees, as such fees and

expenses are incurred.

(N) NO STRICT CONSTRUCTION. The language used in this Agreement will be deemed to be the language chosen by the parties to express their mutual intent, and no rules of strict construction will be applied against any party, as the parties

mutually agree that each has had a full and fair opportunity to review this Agreement and seek the advice of counsel on it.

(O) REMEDIES. The Investor shall have all rights and remedies set forth in this Agreement and the Registration Rights Agreement and all rights and remedies which such holders have been granted at any time under any other agreement or contract and all of the rights which the Investor has by law. Any person having any rights under any provision of this Agreement shall be entitled to enforce such rights specifically (without posting a bond or other security), to recover damages by reason of any default or breach of any provision of this Agreement, including the recovery of reasonable attorneys fees and costs, and to exercise all other rights granted by law.

(P) PAYMENT SET ASIDE. To the extent that the Company makes a payment or payments to the Investor hereunder or under the Registration Rights Agreement or the Investor enforces or exercises its rights hereunder or thereunder, and such payment or payments or the proceeds of such enforcement or exercise or any part thereof are subsequently invalidated, declared to be fraudulent or preferential, set aside, recovered from, disgorged by or are required to be refunded, repaid or otherwise restored to the Company, a trustee, receiver or any other person under any law (including, without limitation, any bankruptcy law, state or federal law, common law or equitable cause of action), then to the extent of any such restoration the obligation or part thereof originally intended to be satisfied shall be revived and continued in full force and effect as if such payment had not been made or such enforcement or setoff had not occurred.

(Q) PRICING OF COMMON STOCK. For purposes of this Agreement, the bid price of the Common Stock shall be as reported on Bloomberg.

SECTION 13. NON-DISCLOSURE OF NON-PUBLIC INFORMATION.

(a) The Company shall not disclose non-public information to the Investor, its advisors, or its representatives.

(b) Nothing herein shall require the Company to disclose non-public information to the Investor or its advisors or representatives, and the Company represents that it does not disseminate non-public information to any investors who purchase stock in the Company in a public offering, to money managers or to securities analysts, provided, however, that notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Company will, as hereinabove provided, immediately notify the advisors and representatives of the Investor and, if any, underwriters, of any event or the existence of any circumstance (without any obligation to disclose the specific event or circumstance) of which it becomes aware, constituting non-public information (whether or not requested of the Company specifically or generally during the course of due diligence by such persons or entities), which, if not disclosed in the prospectus included in the Registration Statement would cause such prospectus to include a material misstatement or to omit a material fact required to be stated therein in order to make the statements, therein, in light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading. Nothing contained in this Section 13 shall be construed to mean that such persons or entities other than the Investor (without the written consent of the Investor prior to disclosure of such information) may not obtain non-public information in the course of conducting due diligence in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and nothing herein shall prevent any such persons or entities from notifying the Company of their opinion that based on such due diligence by such persons or entities, that the Registration Statement contains an untrue statement of material fact or omits a material fact required to be stated in the Registration Statement or necessary to make the statements contained therein, in light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading.

ARTICLE 14 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF THE PARTIES.

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the parties hereto hereby acknowledge and agree to the following: (i) the Investor makes no representations or covenants that it will not engage in trading in the securities of the Company, other than the Investor will not sell short the Company's common stock at any time during this Agreement; (ii) the Company shall, by 8:30 a.m. Boston Time on the trading day following the date hereof, file a current report on Form 8-K disclosing the material terms of the transactions contemplated hereby and in the other Equity Line Transaction Documents; (iii) the Company has not and shall not provide material non-public information to the Investor unless prior thereto the Investor shall have executed a written agreement regarding the confidentiality and use of such information; and (iv) the Company understands and confirms that the Investor will be relying on the acknowledgements set forth in clauses (i) through (iii) above if the Investor effects any transactions in the securities of the Company.

SIGNATURE PAGE OF INVESTMENT AGREEMENT

Your signature on this Signature Page evidences your agreement to be bound by the terms and conditions of the Investment Agreement and the Registration Rights Agreement as of the date first written above.

The undersigned signatory hereby certifies that he has read and understands the Investment Agreement, and the representations made by the undersigned in this Investment Agreement are true and accurate, and agrees to be bound by its terms.

DUTCHESS PRIVATE EQUITIES FUND, LTD.

By:
Douglas H. Leighton, Director
AUDICA I ADODATODIES INC
AURIGA LABORATORIES, INC.
By:
Philip Pesin, CEO

LIST OF EXHIBITS

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LIST OF SCHEDULES

Schedule 4(a) Subsidiaries

Auriga Pharmaceuticals, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company Auriga Development, Inc., a Delaware corporation Auriga Operations, Inc., a Delaware corporation

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	Registration Rights Agreement

EXHIBIT B

FORM OF NOTICE OF EFFE	CTIVENESS
OF REGISTRATION STATE	MENT
	Date:
[TRANSFER AGENT]	
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Re: <u>Au</u>	riga Laboratories, Inc.
Ladies and Gentlemen:	
We are counsel to Aur	iga Laboratories, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and have represented the
Company in connection with t	hat certain Investment Agreement (the "Investment Agreement") entered into by and among
	(the "Investor") pursuant to which the Company has agreed to issue to
	npany's common stock, \$.001 par value per share (the "Common Stock") on the terms and
	stment Agreement. Pursuant to the Investment Agreement, the Company also has entered into
	ent with the Investor (the "Registration Rights Agreement") pursuant to which the Company
	to register the Registrable Securities (as defined in the Registration Rights Agreement).
=	on Stock issued or issuable under the Investment Agreement under the Securities Act of 1933.
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	In connection with the Company's obligations under the Registration Rights Agreement,
	the Company filed a Registration Statement on Form S (File No. 333) (the
	the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") relating to the Registrable Securities
which hames the investor as a	selling shareholder thereunder.
In connection with the	foregoing, we advise you that [a member of the SEC's staff has advised us by telephone
	rder declaring the Registration Statement effective] [the Registration Statement has become
	at [enter the time of effectiveness] on [enter the date of effectiveness] and to the best of our
- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	equiry of a member of the SEC's staff, no stop order suspending its effectiveness has been
	that purpose are pending before, or threatened by, the SEC and the Registrable Securities are
available for resale under the 1	933 Act pursuant to the Registration Statement.
	Very truly yours,
	[Company Counsel]

EXHIBIT C
Date:
RE: Put Notice Number
Dear Mr. Leighton,
This is to inform you that as of today, Auriga Laboratories, Inc, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), hereby elects to exercise its right pursuant to the Investment Agreement to require Dutchess Private Equities Fund, Ltd. to purchase shares of its common stock. The Company hereby certifies that:
The amount of this put is \$
The Pricing Period runs from until
The current number of shares issued and outstanding as of the Company are:
The number of shares currently available for issuance on the SB-2 for the Equity Line are:
Regards,
Philip Pesin, CEO
Auriga Laboratories, Inc.

Date: Dear Mr. Pesin, Pursuant to the Put given by Auriga Laboratories, Inc., to Dutchess Private Equities Fund, Ltd. on ____ 200 , we are now submitting the amount of common shares for you to issue to Dutchess. Please have a certificate bearing no restrictive legend totaling ______ shares issued to Dutchess Private Equities Fund, Ltd. immediately and send via DWAC to the following account: XXXXXX If not DWAC eligible, please send FedEx Priority Overnight to: XXXXXX Once these shares are received by us, we will have the funds wired to the Company. Regards,

EXHIBIT D

Douglas H. Leighton

PUT SETTLEMENT SHEET

PATE PRICE
Closing VWAP of Day 1 Closing VWAP of Day 2 Closing VWAP of Day 2 Closing VWAP of Day 3 Closing VWAP of Day 3 Closing VWAP of Day 4 Closing VWAP of Day 4 Closing VWAP of Day 5
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UT AMOUNT
MOUNT WIRED TO COMPANY
URCHASE PRICE (93)% (NINETY-THREE PERCENT))
MOUNT OF SHARES DUE
he undersigned has completed this Put as of thisth day of, 200

AURIGA LABORATORIES, INC

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Philip Pesin, CEO		

SCHEDULE 4(e) CONFLICTS

None

Exhibit 10.2

REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

Registration Rights Agreement (the "<u>Agreement</u>"), dated as of December 17, 2007, by and between Auriga Laboratories, Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of State of Delaware, with its principal executive office at 10635 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 120, Los Angeles, California 90025 (the "<u>Company</u>"), and Dutchess Private Equities Fund, Ltd., a Cayman Islands exempted company, with its principal office at 50 Commonwealth Avenue, Suite 2, Boston, MA 02116 (the "<u>Holder</u>").

Whereas, in connection with the Investment Agreement by and between the Company and the Investor of this date (the "Investment Agreement"), the Company has agreed to issue and sell to the Investor an indeterminate number of shares of the Company's Common Stock, \$.001 par value per share (the "Common Stock"), to be purchased pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Investment Agreement; and

Whereas, to induce the Investor to execute and deliver the Investment Agreement, the Company has agreed to provide certain registration rights under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder, or any similar successor statute (collectively, the "1933 Act"), and applicable state securities laws, with respect to the shares of Common Stock issuable pursuant to the Investment Agreement.

Now therefore, in consideration of the foregoing promises and the mutual covenants contained hereinafter and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Company and the Investor hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. DEFINITIONS.

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"Execution Date" means the date of this Agreement set forth above.

"Investor" means Dutchess Private Equities Fund, Ltd., a Cayman Islands exempted company.

"Person" means a corporation, a limited liability company, an association, a partnership, an organization, a business, an individual, a governmental or political subdivision thereof or a governmental agency.

"Potential Material Event" means any of the following: (i) the possession by the Company of material information not ripe for disclosure in the Registration Statement, which shall be evidenced by determinations in good faith by the Board of Directors of the Company that disclosure of such information in the Registration Statement would be detrimental to the business and affairs of the Company, or (ii) any material engagement or activity by the Company which would, in the good faith determination of the Board of Directors of the Company, be adversely affected by disclosure in the Registration Statement at such time, which determination shall be accompanied by a good faith determination by the Board of Directors of the Company that the Registration Statement would be materially misleading absent the inclusion of such information.

"Principal Market" shall mean The American Stock Exchange, National Association of Securities Dealer's, Inc., Over-the-Counter electronic bulletin board, the Nasdaq National Market or The Nasdaq SmallCap Market whichever is the principal market on which the Common Stock of the Company is listed.

"Register," "Registered," and "Registration" refer to the Registration effected by preparing and filing one (1) or more Registration Statements in compliance with the 1933 Act and pursuant to Rule 415 under the 1933 Act or any successor rule providing for offering securities on a continuous basis ("Rule 415"), and the declaration or ordering of effectiveness of such Registration Statement(s) by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

"Registrable Securities" means (i) the shares of Common Stock issued or issuable pursuant to the Investment Agreement, and (ii) any shares of capital stock issued or issuable with respect to such shares of Common Stock, if any, as a result of any stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization, exchange or similar event or otherwise, which have not been (x) included in the Registration Statement that has been declared effective by the SEC, or (y) sold under circumstances meeting all of the applicable conditions of Rule 144 (or any similar provision then in force) under the 1933 Act.

"Registration Statement" means the registration statement of the Company filed under the 1933 Act covering the Registrable Securities.

All capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meaning ascribed to them as in the Investment Agreement.

Section 2. REGISTRATION.

- (a) The Company shall, within fifteen (15) days of the date of this Agreement, file with the SEC the Registration Statement or Registration Statements (as is necessary) on Form SB-2 (or, if such form is unavailable for such a registration, on such other form as is available for such registration), covering the resale of all of the Registrable Securities, which Registration Statement(s) shall state that, in accordance with Rule 416 promulgated under the 1933 Act, such Registration Statement also covers such indeterminate number of additional shares of Common Stock as may become issuable upon stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions. The Company shall initially register for resale 15,000,000 shares of Common Stock which would be issuable on the date preceding the filing of the Registration Statement based on the closing bid price of the Company's Common Stock on such date and the amount reasonably calculated that represents Common Stock issuable to other parties as set forth in the Investment Agreement except to the extent that the SEC requires the share amount to be reduced as a condition of effectiveness.
- **(b)** The Company shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to have the Registration Statement(s) declared effective by the SEC within ninety (90) calendar days after the Execution Date.
- (c) The Company agrees not to include any other securities in the Registration Statement covering the Registrable Securities without Investor's prior written consent which Investor may withhold in its sole discretion. Furthermore, the Company agrees that it will not file any other Registration Statement for other securities, until thirty calendar days after the Registration Statement for the Registrable Securities is declared effective by the SEC.

Section 3. RELATED OBLIGATIONS.

At such time as the Company is obligated to prepare and file the Registration Statement with the SEC pursuant to Section 2(a), the Company will effect the registration of the Registrable Securities in accordance with the intended method of disposition thereof and, with respect thereto, the Company shall have the following obligations:

(a) The Company shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to cause such Registration Statement relating to the Registrable Securities to become effective within ninety (90) days after the Execution Date and shall keep such

Registration Statement effective until the earlier to occur of the date on which (A) the Investor shall have sold all the Registrable Securities; or (B) the Investor has no right to acquire any additional shares of Common Stock under the Investment Agreement (the "Registration Period"). The Registration Statement (including any amendments or supplements thereto and prospectuses contained therein) shall not contain any 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, in light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading. The Company shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to respond to all SEC comments within seven (7) business days from receipt of such comments by the Company. The Company shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Registration Statement relating to the Registrable Securities to become effective no later than five (5) business days after notice from the SEC that the Registration Statement may be declared effective. The Investor agrees to provide all information which it is required by law to provide to the Company, including the intended method of disposition of the Registrable Securities, and the Company's obligations set forth above shall be conditioned on the receipt of such information.

- (b) The Company shall prepare and file with the SEC such amendments (including post-effective amendments) and supplements to the Registration Statement and the prospectus used in connection with such Registration Statement, which prospectus is to be filed pursuant to Rule 424 promulgated under the 1933 Act, as may be necessary to keep such Registration Statement effective during the Registration Period, and, during such period, comply with the provisions of the 1933 Act with respect to the disposition of all Registrable Securities of the Company covered by such Registration Statement until such time as all of such Registrable Securities shall have been disposed of in accordance with the intended methods of disposition by the Investor thereof as set forth in such Registration Statement. In the event the number of shares of Common Stock covered by the Registration Statement filed pursuant to this Agreement is at any time insufficient to cover all of the Registrable Securities, the Company shall amend such Registration Statement, or file a new Registration Statement (on the short form available therefor, if applicable), or both, so as to cover all of the Registrable Securities, in each case, as soon as practicable, but in any event within thirty (30) calendar days after the necessity therefor arises (based on the then Purchase Price of the Common Stock and other relevant factors on which the Company reasonably elects to rely), assuming the Company has sufficient authorized shares at that time, and if it does not, within thirty (30) calendar days after such shares are authorized. The Company shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause such amendment and/or new Registration Statement to become effective as soon as practicable following the filing thereof.
- (c) The Company shall make available to the Investor whose Registrable Securities are included in any Registration Statement and its legal counsel without charge (i) promptly after the same is prepared and filed with the SEC at least one (1) copy of such Registration Statement and any amendment(s) thereto, including financial statements and schedules, all documents incorporated therein by reference and all exhibits, the prospectus included in such Registration Statement (including each preliminary prospectus) and, with regards to such Registration Statement(s), any correspondence by or on behalf of the Company to the SEC or the staff of the SEC and any correspondence from the SEC or the staff of the SEC to the Company or its representatives; (ii) upon the effectiveness of any Registration Statement, the Company shall make available copies of the prospectus, via EDGAR, included in such Registration Statement and all amendments and supplements thereto; and (iii) such other documents, including copies of any preliminary or final prospectus, as the Investor may reasonably request from time to time in order to facilitate the disposition of the Registrable Securities.
- (d) The Company shall use commercially reasonable efforts to (i) register and qualify the Registrable Securities covered by the Registration Statement under such other securities or "blue sky" laws of such states in the United States as the Investor reasonably requests; (ii) prepare and file in those jurisdictions, such amendments (including post-effective amendments) and supplements to such registrations and qualifications as may be necessary to maintain the effectiveness thereof during the Registration Period; (iii) take such other actions as may be necessary to maintain such registrations and qualifications in effect at all times during the Registration Period, and (iv) take all other actions reasonably necessary or advisable to qualify the Registrable Securities for sale in such jurisdictions; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required in connection therewith or as a condition thereto to (x) qualify to do business in any jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to qualify but for this Section 3(d), or (y) subject itself to general taxation in any such jurisdiction. The Company shall promptly notify the Investor who holds Registrable Securities of the receipt by the Company of any notification with respect to the suspension of the registration or qualification of any of the Registrable

Securities for sale under the securities or "blue sky" laws of any jurisdiction in the United States or its receipt of actual notice of the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose.

- (e) As promptly as practicable after becoming aware of such event, the Company shall notify Investor in writing of the happening of any event as a result of which the prospectus included in the Registration Statement, as then in effect, includes an untrue statement of a material fact or omission to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading ("Registration Default") and use all diligent efforts to promptly prepare a supplement or amendment to such Registration Statement and take any other necessary steps to cure the Registration Default (which, if such Registration Statement is on Form S-3, may consist of a document to be filed by the Company with the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the 1934 Act (as defined below) and to be incorporated by reference in the prospectus) to correct such untrue statement or omission, and make available copies of such supplement or amendment to the Investor. The Company shall also promptly notify the Investor (i) when a prospectus or any prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment has been filed, and when the Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment has become effective (the Company will prepare notification of such effectiveness which shall be delivered to the Investor on the same day of such effectiveness and by overnight mail), additionally, the Company will promptly provide to the Investor, a copy of the effectiveness order prepared by the SEC once it is received by the Company; (ii) of any request by the SEC for amendments or supplements to the Registration Statement or related prospectus or related information, (iii) of the Company's reasonable determination that a post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement would be appropriate. (iv) in the event the Registration Statement is no longer effective, or (v) if the Registration Statement is stale as a result of the Company's failure to timely file its financials or otherwise. The Company acknowledges that its failure to cure the Registration Default within ten (10) business days will cause the Investor to suffer damages in an amount that will be difficult to ascertain. Accordingly, the parties agree that it is appropriate to include a provision for liquidated damages. The parties acknowledge and agree that the liquidated damages provision set forth in this section represents the parties' good faith effort to quantify such damages and, as such, agree that the form and amount of such liquidated damages are reasonable and will not constitute a penalty. It is the intention of the parties that interest payable under any of the terms of this Agreement shall not exceed the maximum amount permitted under any applicable law. If a law, which applies to this Agreement, which sets the maximum interest amount, is finally interpreted so that the interest in connection with this Agreement exceeds the permitted limits, then: (1) any such interest shall be reduced by the amount necessary to reduce the interest to the permitted limit; and (2) any sums already collected (if any) from the Company which exceed the permitted limits will be refunded to the Company. The Investor may choose to make this refund by reducing the amount that the Company owes under this Agreement or by making a direct payment to the Company. If a refund reduces the amount that the Company owes the Investor, the reduction will be treated as a partial payment.
- **(f)** The Company shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to prevent the issuance of any stop order or other suspension of effectiveness of the Registration Statement, or the suspension of the qualification of any of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction and, if such an order or suspension is issued, to obtain the withdrawal of such order or suspension at the earliest possible moment and to notify the Investor holding Registrable Securities being sold of the issuance of such order and the resolution thereof or its receipt of actual notice of the initiation or threat of any proceeding concerning the effectiveness of the registration statement.
- (g) The Company shall permit the Investor and one (1) legal counsel, designated by the Investor, to review and comment upon the Registration Statement and all amendments and supplements thereto at least one (1) calendar day prior to their filing with the SEC. However, any postponement of a filing of a Registration Statement or any postponement of a request for acceleration or any postponement of the effective date or effectiveness of a Registration Statement by written request of the Investor (collectively, the "Investor's Delay") shall not act to trigger any penalty of any kind, or any cash amount due or any in-kind amount due the Investor from the Company under any and all agreements of any nature or kind between the Company under any and all agreements of any nature or kind between the Company under any and all agreements of any nature or kind between the Company and the Investor.

- (h) At the request of the Investor, the Company's counsel shall furnish to the Investor an opinion letter confirming the effectiveness of the registration statement. Such opinion letter shall be issued as of the date of the effectiveness of the registration statement and be in a form suitable to the Investor.
- (i) The Company shall hold in confidence and not make any disclosure of information concerning the Investor unless (i) disclosure of such information is necessary to comply with federal or state securities laws, (ii) the disclosure of such information is necessary to avoid or correct a misstatement or omission in any Registration Statement, (iii) the release of such information is ordered pursuant to a subpoena or other final, non-appealable order from a court or governmental body of competent jurisdiction, or (iv) such information has been made generally available to the public other than by disclosure in violation of this Agreement or any other agreement. The Company agrees that it shall, upon learning that disclosure of such information concerning the Investor is sought in or by a court or governmental body of competent jurisdiction or through other means, give prompt written notice to the Investor and allow the Investor, at the Investor's expense, to undertake appropriate action to prevent disclosure of, or to obtain a protective order covering such information.
- (j) The Company shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to maintain designation and quotation of all the Registrable Securities covered by any Registration Statement on the Principal Market. If, despite the Company's commercially reasonable efforts, the Company is unsuccessful in satisfying the preceding sentence, it shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause all the Registrable Securities covered by any Registration Statement to be listed on each other national securities exchange and automated quotation system, if any, on which securities of the same class or series issued by the Company are then listed, if any, if the listing of such Registrable Securities is then permitted under the rules of such exchange or system. The Company shall pay all fees and expenses in connection with satisfying its obligation under this Section 3(j).
- (k) The Company shall cooperate with the Investor to facilitate the prompt preparation and delivery of certificates representing the Registrable Securities to be offered pursuant to the Registration Statement and enable such certificates to be in such denominations or amounts, as the case may be, as the Investor may reasonably request (and after any sales of such Registrable Securities by the Investor, such certificates not bearing any restrictive legend).
- (I) The Company shall provide a transfer agent for all the Registrable Securities not later than the effective date of the first Registration Statement filed pursuant hereto.
- (m) If requested by the Investor, the Company shall (i) as soon as reasonably practical incorporate in a prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment such information as the Investor reasonably determines should be included therein relating to the sale and distribution of Registrable Securities, including, without limitation, information with respect to the offering of the Registrable Securities to be sold in such offering; (ii) make all required filings of such prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment as soon as reasonably possible after being notified of the matters to be incorporated in such prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment; and (iii) supplement or make amendments to any Registration Statement if reasonably requested by the Investor.
- (n) The Company shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Registrable Securities covered by the applicable Registration Statement to be registered with or approved by such other governmental agencies or authorities as may be necessary to facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities.
- (o) The Company shall otherwise use all commercially reasonable efforts to comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the SEC in connection with any registration hereunder.
- **(p)** Within one (1) business day after the Registration Statement which includes Registrable Securities is declared effective by the SEC, the Company shall deliver to the transfer agent for such Registrable Securities, with copies to the Investor, confirmation that such Registration Statement has been declared effective by the SEC.

(q) The Company shall take all other reasonable actions necessary to expedite and facilitate disposition by the Investor of Registrable Securities pursuant to the Registration Statement.

Section 4. OBLIGATIONS OF THE INVESTOR.

- (a) At least five (5) calendar days prior to the first anticipated filing date of the Registration Statement the Company shall notify the Investor in writing of the information the Company requires from the Investor for the Registration Statement. It shall be a condition precedent to the obligations of the Company to complete the registration pursuant to this Agreement with respect to the Registrable Securities and the Investor agrees to furnish to the Company that information regarding itself, the Registrable Securities and the intended method of disposition of the Registrable Securities as shall reasonably be required to effect the registration of such Registrable Securities and the Investor shall execute such documents in connection with such registration as the Company may reasonably request. The Investor covenants and agrees that, in connection with any sale of Registrable Securities by it pursuant to the Registration Statement, it shall comply with the "Plan of Distribution" section of the then current prospectus relating to such Registration Statement.
- **(b)** The Investor, by its acceptance of the Registrable Securities, agrees to cooperate with the Company as reasonably requested by the Company in connection with the preparation and filing of any Registration Statement hereunder, unless the Investor has notified the Company in writing of an election to exclude all of the Investor's Registrable Securities from such Registration Statement.
- (c) The Investor agrees that, upon receipt of written notice from the Company of the happening of any event of the kind described in Section 3(f) or the first sentence of 3(e), the Investor will immediately discontinue disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to any Registration Statement(s) covering such Registrable Securities until the Investor's receipt of the copies of the supplemented or amended prospectus contemplated by Section 3(f) or the first sentence of 3(e).

Section 5. EXPENSES OF REGISTRATION.

All expenses, other than underwriting discounts and commissions and other than as set forth in the Investment Agreement, incurred in connection with registrations including comments, filings or qualifications pursuant to Sections 2 and 3, including, without limitation, all registration, listing and qualifications fees, printing and accounting fees, and fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company or for the Investor shall be paid by the Company.

Section 6. INDEMNIFICATION.

In the event any Registrable Securities are included in the Registration Statement under this Agreement:

(a) To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Company, under this Agreement, will, and hereby does, indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Investor who holds Registrable Securities, the directors, officers, partners, employees, counsel, agents, representatives of, and each Person, if any, who controls, any Investor within the meaning of the 1933 Act or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "1934 Act") (each, an "Indemnified Person"), against any losses, claims, damages, liabilities, judgments, fines, penalties, charges, costs, attorneys' fees, amounts paid in settlement or expenses, joint or several (collectively, "Claims"), incurred in investigating, preparing or defending any action, claim, suit, inquiry, proceeding, investigation or appeal taken from the foregoing by or before any court or governmental, administrative or other regulatory agency, body or the SEC, whether pending or threatened, whether or not an indemnified party is or may be a party thereto ("Indemnified Damages"), to which any of them may become subject insofar as such Claims (or actions or proceedings, whether commenced or threatened, in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon: (i) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact in the Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto or in any filing made in connection with the qualification of the offering under the securities or other "blue sky" laws of any jurisdiction in which the Investor has requested in writing that the Company register or qualify the Shares

("Blue Sky Filing"), or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which the statements therein were made, not misleading, (ii) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the final prospectus (as amended or supplemented, if the Company files any amendment thereof or supplement thereto with the SEC) or the omission or alleged omission to state therein any material fact necessary to make the statements made therein, in light of the circumstances under which the statements therein were made, not misleading, or (iii) any violation or alleged violation by the Company of the 1933 Act, the 1934 Act, any other law, including, without limitation, any state securities law, or any rule or regulation thereunder relating to the offer or sale of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the Registration Statement (the matters in the foregoing clauses (i) through (iii) being, collectively, "Violations"). Subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 6(c) the Company shall reimburse the Investor and each such controlling person, promptly as such expenses are incurred and are due and payable, for any reasonable legal fees or other reasonable expenses incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such Claim. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the indemnification agreement contained in this Section 6(a): (i) shall not apply to a Claim arising out of or based upon a Violation which is due to the inclusion in the Registration Statement of the information furnished to the Company by any Indemnified Person expressly for use in connection with the preparation of the Registration Statement or any such amendment thereof or supplement thereto; (ii) shall not be available to the extent such Claim is based on (a) a failure of the Investor to deliver or to cause to be delivered the prospectus made available by the Company or (b) the Indemnified Person's use of an incorrect prospectus despite being promptly advised in advance by the Company in writing not to use such incorrect prospectus; (iii) any claims based on the manner of sale of the Registrable Securities by the Investor or of the Investor's failure to register as a dealer under applicable securities laws; (iv) any omission of the Investor to notify the Company of any material fact that should be stated in the Registration Statement or prospectus relating to the Investor or the manner of sale; and (v) any amounts paid in settlement of any Claim if such settlement is effected without the prior written consent of the Company, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. Such indemnity shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of the Indemnified Person and shall survive the resale of the Registrable Securities by the Investor pursuant to the Registration Statement.

(b) In connection with any Registration Statement in which Investor is participating, the Investor agrees to severally and jointly indemnify, hold harmless and defend, to the same extent and in the same manner as is set forth in Section 6(a), the Company, each of its directors, each of its officers who signs the Registration Statement, each Person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of the 1933 Act or the 1934 Act and the Company's agents (collectively and together with an Indemnified Person, an "Indemnified Party"), against any Claim or Indemnified Damages to which any of them may become subject, under the 1933 Act, the 1934 Act or otherwise, insofar as such Claim or Indemnified Damages arise out of or are based upon any Violation, in each case to the extent, and only to the extent, that such Violation is due to the inclusion in the Registration Statement of the written information furnished to the Company by the Investor expressly for use in connection with such Registration Statement; and, subject to Section 6(c), the Investor will reimburse any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such Claim; provided, however, that the indemnity agreement contained in this Section 6(b) and the agreement with respect to contribution contained in Section 7 shall not apply to amounts paid in settlement of any Claim if such settlement is effected without the prior written consent of the Investor, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld; provided, further, however, that the Investor shall only be liable under this Section 6(b) for that amount of a Claim or Indemnified Damages as does not exceed the net proceeds to such Investor as a result of the sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to such Registration Statement. Such indemnity shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of such Indemnified Party and shall survive the resale of the Registrable Securities by the Investor pursuant to the Registration Statement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the indemnification agreement contained in this Section 6(b) with respect to any preliminary prospectus shall not inure to the benefit of any Indemnified Party if the untrue statement or omission of material fact contained in the preliminary prospectus were corrected on a timely basis in the prospectus, as then amended or supplemented. This indemnification provision shall apply separately to each Investor and liability hereunder shall not be joint and several.

(c) Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Person or Indemnified Party under this Section 6 of notice of the commencement of any action or proceeding (including any governmental action or proceeding) involving a Claim, such

Indemnified Person or Indemnified Party shall, if a Claim in respect thereof is to be made against any indemnifying party under this Section 6, deliver to the indemnifying party a written notice of the commencement thereof, and the indemnifying party shall have the right to participate in, and, to the extent the indemnifying party so desires, jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly noticed, to assume control of the defense thereof with counsel mutually satisfactory to the indemnifying party and the Indemnified Person or the Indemnified Party, as the case may be; provided, however, that an Indemnified Person or Indemnified Party shall have the right to retain its own counsel with the fees and expenses to be paid by the indemnifying party, if, in the reasonable opinion of counsel retained by the Indemnified Person or Indemnified Party, the representation by counsel of the Indemnified Person or Indemnified Party and the indemnifying party would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interests between such Indemnified Person or Indemnified Party and any other party represented by such counsel in such proceeding. The indemnifying party shall pay for only one (1) separate legal counsel for the Indemnified Persons or the Indemnified Parties, as applicable, and such counsel shall be selected by the Investor, if the Investor is entitled to indemnification hereunder, or the Company, if the Company is entitled to indemnification hereunder, as applicable. The Indemnified Party or Indemnified Person shall cooperate fully with the indemnifying party in connection with any negotiation or defense of any such action or Claim by the indemnifying party and shall furnish to the indemnifying party all information reasonably available to the Indemnified Party or Indemnified Person which relates to such action or Claim. The indemnifying party shall keep the Indemnified Party or Indemnified Person fully apprised at all times as to the status of the defense or any settlement negotiations with respect thereto. No indemnifying party shall be liable for any settlement of any action, claim or proceeding affected without its written consent, provided, however, that the indemnifying party shall not unreasonably withhold, delay or condition its consent. No indemnifying party shall, without the consent of the Indemnified Party or Indemnified Person, consent to entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement or other compromise which does not include as an unconditional term thereof the giving by the claimant or plaintiff to such Indemnified Party or Indemnified Person of a release from all liability in respect to such Claim. Following indemnification as provided for hereunder, the indemnifying party shall be subrogated to all rights of the Indemnified Party or Indemnified Person with respect to all third parties, firms or corporations relating to the matter for which indemnification has been made. The failure to deliver written notice to the indemnifying party within a reasonable time of the commencement of any such action shall not relieve such indemnifying party of any liability to the Indemnified Person or Indemnified Party under this Section 6, except to the extent that the indemnifying party is prejudiced in its ability to defend such action.

(d) The indemnity agreements contained herein shall be in addition to (i) any cause of action or similar right of the Indemnified Party or Indemnified Person against the indemnifying party or others, and (ii) any liabilities the indemnifying party may be subject to pursuant to the law.

Section 7. CONTRIBUTION.

To the extent any indemnification by an indemnifying party is prohibited or limited by law, the indemnifying party agrees to make the maximum contribution with respect to any amounts for which it would otherwise be liable under Section 6 to the fullest extent permitted by law; *provided, however*, that: (i) no contribution shall be made under circumstances where the maker would not have been liable for indemnification under the fault standards set forth in Section 6; (ii) no seller of Registrable Securities guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the 1933 Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any seller of Registrable Securities who was not guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation; and (iii) contribution by any seller of Registrable Securities shall be limited in amount to the net amount of proceeds received by such seller from the sale of such Registrable Securities.

Section 8. REPORTS UNDER THE 1934 ACT.

With a view to making available to the Investor the benefits of Rule 144 promulgated under the 1933 Act or any other similar rule or regulation of the SEC that may at any time permit the Investor to sell securities of the Company to the public without registration ("Rule 144"), provided that the Investor holds any Registrable Securities are eligible for resale under Rule 144 (k), the Company agrees to:

(a) make and keep public information available, as those terms are understood and defined in Rule 144;

file with the SEC in a timely manner all reports and other documents required of the Company under the **(b)**

1933 Act and the 1934 Act so long as the Company remains subject to such requirements (it being understood that nothing herein shall limit the Company's obligations under Section 5(c) of the Investment Agreement) and the filing of such reports

and other documents is required for the applicable provisions of Rule 144; and

furnish to the Investor, promptly upon request, (i) a written statement by the Company that it has (c)

complied with the reporting requirements of Rule 144, the 1933 Act and the 1934 Act, (ii) a copy of the most recent annual or quarterly report of the Company and such other reports and documents so filed by the Company, and (iii) such other

information as may be reasonably requested to permit the Investor to sell such securities pursuant to Rule 144 without

registration.

Section 9. NO ASSIGNMENT OF REGISTRATION RIGHTS.

The rights and obligations under this Agreement shall not be assignable.

Section 10. AMENDMENT OF REGISTRATION RIGHTS.

The provisions of this Agreement may be amended only with the written consent of the Company and Investor.

Section 11. MISCELLANEOUS.

(a) Any notices or other communications required or permitted to be given under the terms of this Agreement that

must be in writing will be deemed to have been delivered (i) upon receipt, when delivered personally; (ii) upon receipt, when sent by facsimile (provided a confirmation of transmission is mechanically or electronically generated and kept on

file by the sending party); or (iii) one (1) day after deposit with a nationally recognized overnight delivery service, in each case properly addressed to the party to receive the same. The addresses and facsimile numbers for such communications

shall be:

If to the Company:

Auriga Laboratories, Inc.

10635 Santa Monica Blvd.

Suite 120

Los Angeles, CA

Telephone: (310) 461-3600

Facsimile: (310) 806-4161

If to the Investor:

Dutchess Private Equities Fund, Ltd.

50 Commonwealth Ave, Suite 2

Boston, MA 02116

Telephone: (617) 301-4700

Facsimile: (617) 249-0947

Each party shall provide five (5) business days prior notice to the other party of any change in address, phone

number or facsimile number.

- **(b)** Failure of any party to exercise any right or remedy under this Agreement or otherwise, or delay by a party in exercising such right or remedy, shall not operate as a waiver thereof.
- (c) This Agreement and the Transaction Documents constitute the entire agreement among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and thereof. There are no restrictions, promises, warranties or undertakings, other than those set forth or referred to herein and therein.
- (d) This Agreement and the Transaction Documents supersede all prior agreements and understandings among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and thereof.
- (e) The headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof. Whenever required by the context of this Agreement, the singular shall include the plural and masculine shall include the feminine. This Agreement shall not be construed as if it had been prepared by one of the parties, but rather as if all the parties had prepared the same.
- **(f)** This Agreement may be executed in two or more identical counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which shall constitute one and the same agreement. This Agreement, once executed by a party, may be delivered to the other party hereto by facsimile transmission of a copy of this Agreement bearing the signature of the party so delivering this Agreement.
- **(g)** Each party shall do and perform, or cause to be done and performed, all such further acts and things, and shall execute and deliver all such other agreements, certificates, instruments and documents, as the other party may reasonably request in order to carry out the intent and accomplish the purposes of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.
- **(h)** In case any provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be excessive in scope or otherwise invalid or unenforceable, such provision shall be adjusted rather than voided, if possible, so that it is enforceable to the maximum extent possible, and the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement will not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 12. DISPUTES SUBJECT TO ARBITRATION GOVERNED BY MASSACHUSETTS LAW

All disputes arising under this agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to principles of conflict of laws. The parties to this agreement will submit all disputes arising under this agreement to arbitration in Boston, Massachusetts before a single arbitrator of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA"). The arbitrator shall be selected by application of the rules of the AAA, or by mutual agreement of the parties, except that such arbitrator shall be an attorney admitted to practice law in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. No party to this agreement will challenge the jurisdiction or venue provisions as provided in this section. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the party from obtaining an injunction.

SIGNATURE PAGE OF REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

Your signature on this Signature Page evidences your agreement to be bound by the terms and conditions of the Investment Agreement and the Registration Rights Agreement as of the date first written above.

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The undersigned signatory hereby certifies that he has read and understands the Registration Rights Agreement, and the representations made by the undersigned in this Registration Rights Agreement are true and accurate, and agrees to be bound by its terms.

DUTCHESS PRIVATE EQUITIES FUND, LTD.,

By: _	
I	Douglas H. Leighton, Director
AUR	IGA LABORATORIES, INC.
_	
By: _	
P	hilip S. Pesin, CEO

STANDARD OFFICE LEASE

BY AND BETWEEN

CAMARILLO OFFICE PARTNERS I, LLC,

a California limited liability company,

AS LANDLORD,

AND

AURIGA LABORATORIES, INC.,

a Delaware corporation,

AS TENANT

SUITE 150

5284 Adolfo Road, Camarillo, California

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STANDARD OFFICE LEASE

This Standard Office Lease ("Lease") is made and entered into as of this 13th day of December, 2007, by and between CAMARILLO OFFICE PARTNERS I LLC, a California limited liability company ("Landlord"), and AURIGA LABORATORIES INC., a Delaware corporation ("Tenant").

Tenant hereby leases from Landlord the premises described as Suite No. 150, as designated on the plan attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A" ("Premises"), of the project ("Project") whose address is 5284 Adolfo Road, Camarillo, California, for the Term and upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, and Landlord and Tenant hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1

BASIC LEASE PROVISIONS

A.Term:	Thirty-six (36) months.
Commencement Date:	February 15, 2008.
Expiration Date :	February 28, 2011

B.**Premises**: 19,496 rentable square feet

C.Basic Rental:

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Period of Term	Annual	Monthly	Monthly Basic Rental
	Basic Rental	Basic Rental	Per Rentable Square
			Foot
February 15, 2008 – February 29,	N/A	\$11,000.00	\$1.128
2008			
March 1, 2008 – February 28, 2009	\$264,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$1.128
March 1, 2009 - February 28, 2010	\$271,920.00	\$22,660.00	\$1.162
March 1, 2010 - February 28, 2011	\$268,077.60	\$23,339.80	\$1.197
D.Base Year:	Calendar year	2008. In no	event shall Tenant be
	responsible fo	or any Direct	Costs pass throughs
	during the initi	ial 12 months of	of the Term.
E. Tenant's Proportionate Share:	53.82%		
F.Security Deposit:	A security deposit of \$44,000.00 shall be paid by		
	Tenant to I	Landlord as	follows: \$22,000.00
	concurrently with Tenant's execution and delivery of		
	this Lease to Landlord; an additional \$22,000.00 on		
	January 1, 2008.		

G.Permitted Use:

General office use as well as storage distribution

and shipping of pharmaceutical products.

H.**Brokers**: Told Partners, Inc. (for Landlord)

Cresa Partners (for Tenant)

I.Parking Passes: Tenant shall have the right to use, free of charge

during the initial Term, up to four (4) unreserved parking passes for each 1,000 rentable square feet of office space and up to two (2) unreserved parking passes for each 1,000 rentable square feet of warehouse space contained in the Premises, which

equals fifty (50) unreserved parking passes, in the aggregate. Tenant's parking passes shall be used by Tenant in accordance with the terms provided in Article 23 hereof.

J.Initial Installment of Basic

Rental:

The Basic Rental due and payable by Tenant for the period of February 15, 2008 – February 29, 2008 in the amount of \$11,000.00 shall be paid by Tenant to Landlord on February 15, 2008.

ARTICLE 2

TERM/PREMISES

The Term of this Lease shall commence on the Commencement Date as set forth in Article 1.A. of the Basic Lease Provisions and shall end on the Expiration Date set forth in Article 1.A. of the Basic Lease Provisions. For purposes of this Lease, the term "Lease Year" shall mean each consecutive twelve (12) month period during the Lease Term, with the first Lease Year commencing on the Commencement Date; however, (a) if the Commencement Date falls on a day other than the first day of a calendar month, the first Lease Year shall end on the last day of the eleventh (11th) month after the Commencement Date and the second (2nd) and each succeeding Lease Year shall commence on the first day of the next calendar month, and (b) the last Lease Year shall end on the Expiration Date. If Landlord does not deliver possession of the Premises to Tenant on or before the anticipated Commencement Date (as set forth in Article 1.A., above), Landlord shall not be subject to any liability for its failure to do so, and such failure shall not affect the validity of this Lease nor the obligations of Tenant hereunder. Landlord and Tenant hereby stipulate that the Premises contains the number of square feet specified in Article 1.B. of the Basic Lease Provisions. Landlord may deliver to Tenant a Commencement Letter in a form substantially similar to that attached hereto as Exhibit "C", which Tenant shall execute and return to Landlord within five (5) days of receipt thereof. Failure of Tenant to timely execute and deliver the Commencement Letter shall constitute an acknowledgment by Tenant that the statements included in such notice are true and correct, without exception.

Tenant and its employees, agents, contractors and subcontractors may enter into the warehouse portion of the Premises as of January 1, 2008 and the office portion of the Premises as of January 15, 2008, upon receipt of Landlord's consent, solely for the purpose of installing furniture, trade fixtures, telephones, computers, photocopy equipment, and other business equipment. Such early entry will not advance the Commencement Date so long as Tenant does not commence business operations from any part of the Premises. All of the provisions of this Lease shall apply to Tenant during any early entry, including, without limitation, the indemnities set forth in this Lease, but excluding the obligation to pay Basic Rental only unless and until Tenant has commenced business operations in the Premises (or the Commencement Date has otherwise occurred), whereupon Tenant's Basic Rental payment obligations shall immediately commence. If Tenant is granted early entry, Landlord shall not be responsible for any loss, including theft, damage or destruction to any work or material installed or stored by Tenant at the Premises or for any injury to Tenant or its agents, employees, contractors, subcontractors, subtenants, subtenants, assigns, licensees or invitees. Landlord shall have the right to post appropriate notices of non-responsibility and to require Tenant to provide Landlord with evidence that Tenant has fulfilled its obligation to provide insurance pursuant to the provisions of this Lease.

Tenant shall have the non-exclusive right to use in common with other tenants in the Project a portion of the Project's lobby area approved by Landlord as Tenant's reception area and, in connection therewith, Tenant shall have the right to install and operate a reception desk (approved by Landlord), subject to Landlord's rules and regulations. In no event shall Tenant be permitted to permanently affix its reception desk to the lobby area. Upon the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease, Tenant shall remove all of its personal property from the Project's lobby area and repair any damage to the Project caused thereby. Tenant's failure to remove its personal property from the lobby area by the Expiration Date of the Term shall constitute a holding over under this Lease and the terms of Article 5 below shall apply with respect thereto.

ARTICLE 3

RENTAL

- (a) <u>Basic Rental</u>. Tenant agrees to pay to Landlord during the Term hereof, at Landlord's office or to such other person or at such other place as directed from time to time by written notice to Tenant from Landlord, the initial monthly and annual sums as set forth in Article 1.C. of the Basic Lease Provisions, payable in advance no later than the first day of each calendar month, without demand, setoff or deduction, and in the event this Lease commences or the date of expiration of this Lease occurs other than on the first day or last day of a calendar month, the rent for such month shall be prorated. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Basic Rental for the period February 15, 2008 through February 29, 2008 shall be paid to Landlord in accordance with Article 1.J. of the Basic Lease Provisions.
- Increase in Direct Costs. The term "Base Year" means the calendar year set forth in Article 1.D. of the Basic Lease Provisions. If, in any calendar year during the Term of this Lease, the "Direct Costs" (as hereinafter defined) paid or incurred by Landlord shall be higher than the Direct Costs for the Base Year, Tenant shall pay an additional sum for each such subsequent calendar year equal to the product of the amount set forth in Article 1.E. of the Basic Lease Provisions multiplied by such increased amount of Direct Costs. In the event either the Premises and/or the Project is expanded or reduced, then Tenant's Proportionate Share shall be appropriately adjusted, and as to the calendar year in which such change occurs, Tenant's Proportionate Share for such calendar year shall be determined on the basis of the number of days during that particular calendar year that such Tenant's Proportionate Share was in effect. In the event this Lease shall terminate on any date other than the last day of a calendar year, the additional sum payable hereunder by Tenant during the calendar year in which this Lease terminates shall be prorated on the basis of the relationship which the number of days which have elapsed from the commencement of said calendar year to and including said date on which this Lease terminates bears to three hundred sixty five (365). Any and all amounts due and payable by Tenant pursuant to this Lease (other than Basic Rental) shall be deemed "Additional Rent" and Landlord shall be entitled to exercise the same rights and remedies upon default in these payments as Landlord is entitled to exercise with respect to defaults in monthly Basic Rental payments.
 - (c) <u>Definitions</u>. As used herein the term "**Direct Costs**" shall mean the sum of the following:
- "Tax Costs", which shall mean any and all real estate taxes and other similar charges on real (i) property or improvements, assessments, water and sewer charges, and all other charges assessed, reassessed or levied upon the Project and appurtenances thereto and the parking or other facilities thereof, or the real property thereunder (collectively, the "Real Property") or attributable thereto or on the rents, issues, profits or income received or derived therefrom which are assessed, reassessed or levied by the United States, the State of California or any local government authority or agency or any political subdivision thereof, and shall include Landlord's reasonable legal fees, costs and disbursements incurred in connection with proceedings for reduction of Tax Costs or any part thereof; provided, however, if at any time after the date of this Lease the methods of taxation now prevailing shall be altered so that in lieu of or as a supplement to or a substitute for the whole or any part of any Tax Costs, there shall be assessed, reassessed or levied (a) a tax, assessment, reassessment, levy, imposition or charge wholly or partially as a net income, capital or franchise levy or otherwise on the rents, issues, profits or income derived therefrom, or (b) a tax, assessment, reassessment, levy (including but not limited to any municipal, state or federal levy), imposition or charge measured by or based in whole or in part upon the Real Property and imposed upon Landlord, then except to the extent such items are payable by Tenant under Article 6 below, such taxes, assessments, reassessments or levies or the part thereof so measured or based, shall be deemed to be included in the term "Direct Costs." In no event shall Tax Costs included in Direct Costs for any year subsequent to the Base Year be less than the amount of Tax Costs included in Direct Costs for the Base Year. In addition, when calculating Tax Costs for the Base Year, special assessments shall only be deemed included in Tax Costs for the Base Year to the extent that such special assessments are included in Tax Costs for the applicable subsequent calendar year during the Term.
- (ii) "Operating Costs", which shall mean all costs and expenses incurred by Landlord in connection with the maintenance, operation, replacement, ownership and repair of the Project, including, but not limited to, salaries, wages, medical, and other taxes and benefits for all persons who perform duties connected with the operation, maintenance

and repair of the Project; a reasonable allowance for depreciation of the cost of acquiring or the rental expense of personal property used in the maintenance, operation and repair of the Project; accountant's fees, legal fees, real estate tax consulting fees, personal property taxes on property used in the maintenance and operation of the Project; fees, costs, expenses or dues payable pursuant to the terms of any covenants, conditions or restrictions or owners' association pertaining to the Project; capital expenditures incurred to effect economies of operation of, or stability of services to, the Project and capital expenditures required by government regulations, laws, or ordinances including, but not limited to the American with Disabilities Act; costs incurred (capital or otherwise) on a regular recurring basis every three (3) or more years for certain maintenance projects (e.g., parking lot slurry coat or replacement of lobby and elevator cab carpeting the cost of all charges for electricity, gas, water and other utilities furnished to the Project, including any taxes thereon; charges for insurance for the Project carried by Landlord; the cost of all building and cleaning supplies and materials; the cost of all charges for cleaning, maintenance and service contracts and other services with independent contractors and administration fees; a property management fee (which fee shall not exceed 5% of gross revenues at the Project and may be imputed if Landlord has internalized management or otherwise acts as its own property manager) and license, permit and inspection fees relating to the Project. In the event, during any calendar year, the Project is less than ninety-five percent (95%) occupied at all times, Operating Costs shall be adjusted to reflect the Operating Costs of the Project as though ninety-five percent (95%) were occupied at all times, and the increase or decrease in the sums owed hereunder shall be based upon such Operating Costs as so adjusted. In no event shall costs for any item of utilities included in Direct Costs for any year subsequent to the Base Year be less than the amount included in Direct Costs for the Base Year for such utility item. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Article 3, when calculating Operating Costs for the Base Year, unless Operating Costs for the applicable subsequent calendar year include the applicable following items, Operating Costs shall exclude (a) market-wide labor-rate increases due to extraordinary circumstances including, but not limited to, boycotts and strikes, (b) utility rate increases due to extraordinary circumstances including, but not limited to, conservation surcharges, boycotts, embargoes or other shortages, and (c) amortization of any capital items including, but not limited to, capital improvements, capital repairs and capital replacements (including such amortized costs where the actual improvement, repair or replacement was made in prior years).

Additionally, notwithstanding any contrary provision contained in this Lease, in no event shall Tenant's Proportionate Share of Direct Controllable Costs (as defined below) for any calendar year exceed one hundred five percent (105%), calculated on a cumulative and compounded basis, of Tenant's Proportionate Share of Direct Controllable Costs for the immediately preceding calendar year. "Direct Controllable Costs" shall mean all Operating Costs, except for the following: (A) the cost of all charges for electricity, gas, water and other utilities furnished to the Project, including any taxes thereon, (B) expenses incurred by Landlord in connection with the Project for all labor, including, but not limited to, salaries, wages, medical, surgical and general welfare benefits and pension payments, payroll taxes, fringe benefits, employment taxes, workers' compensation, uniforms and dry cleaning thereof for all persons who perform duties connected with the operation, maintenance and repair of the Project, (C) the cost of all charges for fire and extended coverage, liability and all other insurance for the Project carried by Landlord, and (D) costs incurred in connection with upgrading the Premises or Project to comply with disability, life, seismic, fire and safety codes, ordinances, statutes, or other laws.

(d) Determination of Payment.

- (i) If for any calendar year ending or commencing within the Term, Tenant's Proportionate Share of Direct Costs for such calendar year exceeds Tenant's Proportionate Share of Direct Costs for the Base Year, then Tenant shall pay to Landlord, in the manner set forth in Sections 3(d)(ii) and (iii), below, and as Additional Rent, an amount equal to the excess (the "Excess").
- Landlord shall give Tenant a yearly expense estimate statement (the "Estimate Statement") which shall set forth Landlord's reasonable estimate (the "Estimate") of what the total amount of Direct Costs for the then-current calendar year shall be and the estimated Excess (the "Estimated Excess") as calculated by comparing Tenant's Proportionate Share of Direct Costs for such calendar year, which shall be based upon the Estimate, to Tenant's Proportionate Share of Direct Costs for the Base Year. The failure of Landlord to timely furnish the Estimate Statement for any calendar year shall not preclude Landlord from subsequently enforcing its rights to collect any Estimated Excess under this Article 3, once such Estimated Excess has been determined by Landlord. If pursuant to the Estimate Statement an Estimated Excess is calculated for the then-current calendar year, Tenant shall pay, with its next installment of monthly Basic Rental due, a fraction of the Estimated Excess for the then-current calendar year (reduced by any amounts paid pursuant to the last sentence of this

Section 3(d)(ii)). Such fraction shall have as its numerator the number of months which have elapsed in such current calendar year to the month of such payment, both months inclusive, and shall have twelve (12) as its denominator. Until a new Estimate Statement is furnished, Tenant shall pay monthly, with the monthly Basic Rental installments, an amount equal to one-twelfth (1/12) of the total Estimated Excess set forth in the previous Estimate Statement delivered by Landlord to Tenant.

- (iii) In addition, Landlord shall endeavor to give to Tenant as soon as reasonably practicable following the end of each calendar year, a statement (the "Statement") which shall state the Direct Costs incurred or accrued for such preceding calendar year, and which shall indicate the amount, if any, of the Excess. Upon receipt of the Statement for each calendar year during the Term, if amounts paid by Tenant as Estimated Excess are less than the actual Excess as specified on the Statement, Tenant shall pay, with its next installment of monthly Basic Rental due, the full amount of the Excess for such calendar year, less the amounts, if any, paid during such calendar year as Estimated Excess. If, however, the Statement indicates that amounts paid by Tenant as Estimated Excess are greater than the actual Excess as specified on the Statement, such overpayment shall be credited against Tenant's next installments of Estimated Excess. The failure of Landlord to timely furnish the Statement for any calendar year shall not prejudice Landlord from enforcing its rights under this Article 3, once such Statement has been delivered. Even though the Term has expired and Tenant has vacated the Premises, when the final determination is made of Tenant's Proportionate Share of the Direct Costs for the calendar year in which this Lease terminates, if an Excess is present, Tenant shall immediately pay to Landlord an amount as calculated pursuant to the provisions of this Article 3(d). The provisions of this Section 3(d)(iii) shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of the Term.
- (iv) Within one hundred twenty (120) days after receipt of a Statement by Tenant ("Review Period"), if Tenant disputes the amount set forth in the Statement, Tenant's employees or an independent certified public accountant (which accountant is a member of a nationally or regionally recognized accounting firm and is hired on a non-contingency fee basis), designated by Tenant, may, after reasonable notice to Landlord and at reasonable times, inspect Landlord's records at Landlord's offices, provided that Tenant is not then in default after expiration of all applicable cure periods of any obligation under this Lease (including, but not limited to, the payment of the amount in dispute) and provided further that Tenant and such accountant or representative shall, and each of them shall use their commercially reasonable efforts to cause their respective agents and employees to, maintain all information contained in Landlord's records in strict confidence. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Tenant shall only have the right to review Landlord's records one (1) time during any twelve (12) month period. Tenant's failure to dispute the amounts set forth in any Statement within the Review Period shall be deemed to be Tenant's approval of such Statement and Tenant, thereafter, waives the right or ability to dispute the amounts set forth in such Statement. If after such inspection, but within thirty (30) days after the Review Period, Tenant notifies Landlord in writing that Tenant still disputes such amounts, a certification as to the proper amount shall be made in accordance with Landlord's standard accounting practices, at Tenant's expense, by an independent certified public accountant selected by Landlord and who is a member of a nationally or regionally recognized accounting firm, which certification shall be binding upon Landlord and Tenant. Landlord shall cooperate in good faith with Tenant and the accountant to show Tenant and the accountant the information upon which the certification is to be based. However, if such certification by the accountant proves that the Direct Costs set forth in the Statement were overstated by more than five percent (5%), then the cost of the accountant and the cost of such certification shall be paid for by Landlord. Promptly following the parties receipt of such certification, the parties shall make such appropriate payments or reimbursements, as the case may be, to each other, as are determined to be owing pursuant to such certification. Tenant agrees that this section shall be the sole method to be used by Tenant to dispute the amount of any Direct Costs payable by Tenant pursuant to the terms of this Lease, and Tenant hereby waives any other rights at law or in equity relating thereto.
- (v) If the Project is a part of a multi-building development (the "**Development**"), those Direct Costs attributable to such development as a whole (and not attributable solely to any individual building therein) shall be allocated by Landlord to the Project and to the other buildings within such development on an equitable basis.

(e) Tenant's Payment of Certain Tax Costs

. In the event that, after the Commencement Date, during the first twelve (12) months of the initial Term only (and not any extension or renewal of the initial Term), the Project is reassessed (the "Reassessment") for real estate tax purposes by the appropriate governmental authority pursuant to the terms of Proposition 13, then the terms of this Section 3(e) shall apply to such Reassessment of the Project.

- (i) The Tax Increase. For purposes of this Section 3(e), the term "Tax Increase" shall mean that portion of Tax Costs, as calculated immediately following the Reassessment, which is attributable solely to the Reassessment. Accordingly, the term "Tax Increase" shall not include any portion of Tax Costs which (A) is attributable to the initial assessment of the value of the Real Property or the Project, the base, shell and core of the Project or the tenant improvements located in the Project, (B) is attributable to assessments which were pending immediately prior to the Reassessment which assessments were conducted during, and included in, such Reassessment, or which assessments were otherwise rendered unnecessary following the Reassessment, or (C) is attributable to the annual inflationary increase of real estate taxes (currently two percent (2.0%) per annum).
- (ii) <u>Protection</u>. During the first twelve (12) months of the initial Term only (and not any extension or renewal thereof), Tenant shall not be obligated to pay any portion of the Tax Increase.
- (iii) Landlord's Right to Purchase the Proposition 13 Protection Amount. The amount of Tax Costs which Tenant is not obligated to pay or will not be obligated to pay during the Term in connection with a Reassessment pursuant to the terms of this Section 3(e) shall be sometimes referred to hereafter as a "Proposition 13 Protection Amount". If the occurrence of a Reassessment is reasonably foreseeable by Landlord and the Proposition 13 Protection Amount attributable to such Reassessment can be reasonably quantified or estimated for each calendar year commencing with the year in which the Reassessment will occur, the terms of this Section 3(e)(iii) shall apply to each such Reassessment. Upon notice to Tenant, Landlord shall have the right (but not the obligation) to purchase the Proposition 13 Protection Amount relating to the Reassessment, at any time during the Term, by paying to Tenant an amount equal to the "Proposition 13 Purchase Price", as that term is defined below. As used herein, "Proposition 13 Purchase Price" shall mean the present value of the Proposition 13 Protection Amount remaining during the Term, as of the date of payment of the Proposition 13 Purchase Price by Landlord. Such present value shall be calculated (i) by using the portion of the Proposition 13 Protection Amount attributable to each remaining year of the Term (as though the portion of such Proposition 13 Protection Amount benefited Tenant at the end of each Lease Year), as the amounts to be discounted, and (ii) by using discount rates for each amount to be discounted equal to (A) the average rates of yield for United States Treasury Obligations with maturity dates as close as reasonably possible to the end of each Lease Year during which the portions of the Proposition 13 Protection Amount would have benefited Tenant, which rates shall be those in effect as of Landlord's exercise of its right to purchase as set forth in this subsection (iii), plus (B) two percent (2%) per annum. Upon such payment of the Proposition 13 Purchase Price, the provisions of Section 3(e)(ii) of this Lease shall not apply to any Tax Increase attributable to the Applicable Reassessment and Tenant shall have no further protection whatsoever under this Section 3(e). Since Landlord will be estimating the Proposition 13 Purchase Price because a Reassessment has not yet occurred, then when such Reassessment occurs, if Landlord has underestimated the Proposition 13 Purchase Price, Tenant's Basic Rental next due shall be credited with the amount of such underestimation, and if Landlord overestimates the Proposition 13 Purchase Price, then Tenant shall pay the amount of the overestimation to Landlord within thirty (30) days after demand.

ARTICLE 4

SECURITY DEPOSIT

Tenant shall deposit with Landlord the sum set forth in Article 1.F. of the Basic Lease Provisions as security for the full and faithful performance of every provision of this Lease to be performed by Tenant in accordance with the terms of such Article 1.F. If Tenant breaches any provision of this Lease, including but not limited to the payment of rent, Landlord may use all or any part of this security deposit for the payment of any rent or any other sums in default, or to compensate Landlord for any other loss or damage which Landlord may suffer by reason of Tenant's default. If any portion of said deposit is so used or applied, Tenant shall, within five (5) days after written demand therefor, deposit cash with Landlord in an amount sufficient to restore the security deposit to its full amount. Tenant agrees that Landlord shall not be required to keep the security deposit in trust, segregate it or keep it separate from Landlord's general funds, but Landlord may commingle the security deposit with its general funds and Tenant shall not be entitled to interest on such deposit. At the expiration of the Lease Term, and provided there exists no default by Tenant hereunder, the security deposit or any balance thereof shall be returned to Tenant (or, at Landlord's option, to Tenant's "Transferee," as such term is defined in Article 15 below), provided that subsequent to

the expiration of this Lease, Landlord may retain from said security deposit (i) an amount reasonably estimated by Landlord to cover potential Direct Cost reconciliation payments due with respect to the calendar year in which this Lease terminates or expires (such amount so retained shall not, in any event, exceed ten percent (10%) of estimated Direct Cost payments due from Tenant for such calendar year through the date of expiration or earlier termination of this Lease and any amounts so retained and not applied to such reconciliation shall be returned to Tenant within thirty (30) days after Landlord's delivery of the Statement for such calendar year), (ii) any and all amounts reasonably estimated by Landlord to cover the anticipated costs to be incurred by Landlord to remove any signage provided to Tenant under this Lease, to remove cabling and other items required to be removed by Tenant under Article 29(b) below and to repair any damage caused by such removal (in which case any excess amount so retained by Landlord shall be returned to Tenant within thirty (30) days after such removal and repair), and (iii) any and all amounts permitted by law or this Article 4. Tenant hereby waives the provisions of Section 1950.7 of the California Civil Code and all other provisions of law, now or hereafter in effect, which provide that Landlord may claim from a security deposit only those sums reasonably necessary to remedy defaults in the payment of rent, to repair damage caused by Tenant or to clean the Premises, it being agreed that Landlord may, in addition, claim those sums specified in this Article 4 above and/or those sums reasonably necessary to compensate Landlord for any other loss or damage, foreseeable or unforeseeable, caused by the acts or omissions of Tenant or any officer, employee, agent, contractor or invitee of Tenant.

ARTICLE 5

HOLDING OVER

Should Tenant, without Landlord's written consent, hold over after termination of this Lease, Tenant shall become a tenant at sufferance upon each and all of the terms herein provided as may be applicable to such a tenancy and any such holding over shall not constitute an extension of this Lease. During such holding over, Tenant shall pay in advance, monthly, Basic Rental at a rate equal to one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the rate in effect for the last month of the Term of this Lease, in addition to, and not in lieu of, all other payments required to be made by Tenant hereunder including but not limited to Tenant's Proportionate Share of any increase in Direct Costs. Nothing contained in this Article 5 shall be construed as consent by Landlord to any holding over of the Premises by Tenant, and Landlord expressly reserves the right to require Tenant to surrender possession of the Premises to Landlord as provided in this Lease upon the expiration or earlier termination of the Term. If Tenant fails to surrender the Premises upon the expiration or termination of this Lease, Tenant agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Landlord harmless from all costs, loss, expense or liability, including without limitation, claims made by any succeeding tenant and real estate brokers claims and attorney's fees and costs.

ARTICLE 6

OTHER TAXES

Tenant shall pay, prior to delinquency, all taxes assessed against or levied upon trade fixtures, furnishings, equipment and all other personal property of Tenant located in the Premises. In the event any or all of Tenant's trade fixtures, furnishings, equipment and other personal property shall be assessed and taxed with property of Landlord, or if the cost or value of any leasehold improvements in the Premises exceeds the cost or value of a Project-standard buildout as determined by Landlord and, as a result, real property taxes for the Project are increased, Tenant shall pay to Landlord, within ten (10) days after delivery to Tenant by Landlord of a written statement setting forth such amount, the amount of such taxes applicable to Tenant's property or above-standard improvements. Tenant shall assume and pay to Landlord at the time Basic Rental next becomes due (or if assessed after the expiration of the Term, then within ten (10) days), any excise, sales, use, rent, occupancy, garage, parking, gross receipts or other taxes (other than net income taxes) which may be assessed against or levied upon Landlord on account of the letting of the Premises or the payment of Basic Rental or any other sums due or payable hereunder, and which Landlord may be required to pay or collect under any law now in effect or hereafter enacted. In addition to Tenant's obligation pursuant to the immediately preceding sentence, Tenant shall pay directly to the party or entity entitled thereto all business license fees, gross receipts taxes and similar taxes and impositions which may from time to time be assessed against or levied upon Tenant,

as and when the same become due and before delinquency. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, any sums payable by Tenant under this Article 6 shall not be included in the computation of "Tax Costs."

ARTICLE 7

USE

Tenant shall use and occupy the Premises only for the use set forth in Article 1.G. of the Basic Lease Provisions and shall not use or occupy the Premises or permit the same to be used or occupied for any other purpose without the prior written consent of Landlord, which consent may be given or withheld in Landlord's sole and absolute discretion, and Tenant agrees that it will use the Premises in such a manner so as not to interfere with or infringe upon the rights of other tenants or occupants in the Project. Tenant shall, at its sole cost and expense, promptly comply with all laws, statutes, ordinances, governmental regulations or requirements now in force or which may hereafter be in force relating to or affecting (i) the condition, use or occupancy of the Premises or the Project (excluding structural changes to the Project not related to Tenant's particular use of the Premises), and (ii) improvements installed or constructed in the Premises by or for the benefit of Tenant. Tenant shall not place a load upon the floor of the Premises which exceeds the load per square foot which such floor was designed to carry and which is allowed by law. Tenant shall not do or permit to be done anything which would invalidate or increase the cost of any fire and extended coverage insurance policy covering the Project and/or the property located therein and Tenant shall comply with all rules, orders, regulations and requirements of any organization which sets out standards, requirements or recommendations commonly referred to by major fire insurance underwriters, and Tenant shall promptly upon demand reimburse Landlord for any additional premium charges for any such insurance policy assessed or increased by reason of Tenant's failure to comply with the provisions of this Article.

ARTICLE 8

CONDITION OF PREMISES

Tenant hereby agrees that the Premises shall be taken "as is", "with all faults", "without any representations or warranties", and Tenant hereby agrees and warrants that it has investigated and inspected the condition of the Premises and the suitability of same for Tenant's purposes, and Tenant does hereby waive and disclaim any objection to, cause of action based upon, or claim that its obligations hereunder should be reduced or limited because of the condition of the Premises or the Project or the suitability of same for Tenant's purposes. Tenant acknowledges that neither Landlord nor any agent nor any employee of Landlord has made any representations or warranty with respect to the Premises or the Project or with respect to the suitability of either for the conduct of Tenant's business and Tenant expressly warrants and represents that Tenant has relied solely on its own investigation and inspection of the Premises and the Project in its decision to enter into this Lease and let the Premises in the above-described condition. The Premises shall be initially improved as provided in, and subject to, the terms and conditions of the immediately following paragraph. The existing leasehold improvements in the Premises as of the date of this Lease, together with the Improvements (as defined below) may be collectively referred to herein as the "Tenant Improvements." The taking of possession of the Premises by Tenant shall conclusively establish that the Premises and the Project were at such time in satisfactory condition. Tenant hereby waives subsection 1 of Section 1932 and Sections 1941 and 1942 of the Civil Code of California or any successor provision of law.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Landlord agrees to deliver the Premises to Tenant with the electrical outlets, plumbing and HVAC system serving the Premises in good working order and condition.

ARTICLE 9

REPAIRS AND ALTERATIONS

- (a) <u>Landlord's Obligation</u>. Landlord shall maintain the structural portions of the Project, including the foundation, floor/ceiling slabs, roof, curtain wall, exterior glass, columns, beams, shafts, stairs, stairwells, elevator cabs and common areas, and shall also maintain and repair the base building mechanical, electrical, life safety, plumbing, sprinkler systems and heating, ventilating and air-conditioning systems.
- (b) Tenant's Obligation. Except as expressly provided as Landlord's obligation in this Article 9, Tenant shall keep the Premises in good condition and repair. All damage or injury to the Premises or the Project resulting from the act or negligence of Tenant, its employees, agents or visitors, guests, invitees or licensees, or by the use of the Premises, shall be promptly repaired by Tenant at its sole cost and expense, to the satisfaction of Landlord; provided, however, that for damage to the Project as a result of casualty or for any repairs that may impact the mechanical, electrical, plumbing, heating, ventilation or air-conditioning systems of the Project, Landlord shall have the right (but not the obligation) to select the contractor and oversee all such repairs. Landlord may make any repairs which are not promptly made by Tenant after Tenant's receipt of written notice and the reasonable opportunity of Tenant to make said repair within five (5) business days from receipt of said written notice, and charge Tenant for the cost thereof, which cost shall be paid by Tenant within five (5) days from invoice from Landlord. Tenant shall be responsible for the design and function of all non-standard improvements of the Premises, whether or not installed by Landlord at Tenant's request. Tenant waives all rights to make repairs at the expense of Landlord, or to deduct the cost thereof from the rent.
- Alterations. Tenant shall make no alterations, installations, changes or additions in or to the Premises or (c) the Project (collectively, "Alterations") without Landlord's prior written consent, not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed, except that Landlord's consent may be withheld in its sole and absolute discretion with respect to Alterations that may affect the Project structure, systems, equipment and/or exterior. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Tenant may make strictly cosmetic changes to the finish work in the Premises, not including any changes affecting the Project structure, appearance, or systems and equipment, without Landlord's consent, provided that the aggregate cost of any such changes does not exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) in any twelve (12) month period, and such changes do not require any substantial modifications to the Premises. Tenant shall give Landlord at least ten (10) days prior notice of such cosmetic Alterations, which notice shall be accompanied by reasonably adequate evidence that such changes meet the criteria contained in this Article 9. Any Alterations approved by Landlord must be performed in accordance with the terms hereof, using only contractors or mechanics approved by Landlord in writing and upon the approval by Landlord in writing of fully detailed and dimensioned plans and specifications pertaining to the Alterations in question, to be prepared and submitted by Tenant at its sole cost and expense. Tenant shall at its sole cost and expense obtain all necessary approvals and permits pertaining to any Alterations approved by Landlord. Tenant shall cause all Alterations to be performed in a good and workmanlike manner, in conformance with all applicable federal, state, county and municipal laws, rules and regulations, pursuant to a valid building permit, and in conformance with Landlord's construction rules and regulations. If Landlord, in approving any Alterations, specifies a commencement date therefor, Tenant shall not commence any work with respect to such Alterations prior to such date. Tenant hereby agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold Landlord free and harmless from all liens and claims of lien, and all other liability, claims and demands arising out of any work done or material supplied to the Premises by or at the request of Tenant in connection with any Alterations.
- (d) <u>Insurance; Liens.</u> Prior to the commencement of any Alterations, Tenant shall provide Landlord with evidence that Tenant carries "Builder's All Risk" insurance in an amount approved by Landlord covering the construction of such Alterations, and such other insurance as Landlord may reasonably require, it being understood that all such Alterations shall be insured by Tenant pursuant to Article 14 of this Lease immediately upon completion thereof. In addition, Landlord may, in its discretion, require Tenant to obtain a lien and completion bond or some alternate form of security satisfactory to Landlord in an amount sufficient to ensure the lien free completion of such Alterations and naming Landlord as a co-obligee.
- (e) <u>Costs and Fees; Removal</u>. If permitted Alterations are made, they shall be made at Tenant's sole cost and expense and shall be and become the property of Landlord, except that Landlord may, by written notice to Tenant given prior to the end of the Term, require Tenant at Tenant's expense to remove all partitions, counters, railings, cabling and other Alterations installed by Tenant, and to repair any damage to the Premises and the Project caused by such removal. Any and all costs attributable to or related to the applicable building codes of the city in which the Project is located (or any other authority having jurisdiction over the Project) arising from Tenant's plans, specifications, improvements, Alterations or otherwise shall

be paid by Tenant at its sole cost and expense. Notwithstanding any contrary provision contained in this Lease, provided that Tenant repairs any damage caused by such removal, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, Tenant shall have the right to remove Tenant's personal property, fixtures and equipment from the Premises upon the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease, even if such items are affixed to the Premises. The construction of initial improvements to the Premises shall be governed by the terms of the Tenant Work Letter and not the terms of this Article 9.

- Security System. Landlord hereby grants Tenant the right, at Tenant's cost and expense, install a security system in the Premises ("Tenant's Security System") which serves the Premises only; provided, however, if Tenant's Security System ties into the Project's security system, Tenant shall coordinate the installation and operation of Tenant's Security System with Landlord to assure that Tenant's Security System is compatible with the Project's security system and the other systems and equipment of the Project. Tenant may install any security system selected by Tenant provided that such Tenant's Security System (i) does not create an adverse effect on the structural integrity of the Project, (ii) is in compliance with applicable governmental laws, rules, and regulations, (iii) does not create an adverse effect on the Project's systems or equipment, (iv) does not unreasonably interfere with the normal and customary office operations of any other tenant of the Project or (v) does not adversely effect Landlord's ability to operate the Project including the security system of the Project. If any of the conditions set forth in items (i) through (v), above, are not satisfied, then Tenant shall not be permitted to install or operate Tenant's Security System. Tenant shall be solely responsible, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, for the installation, monitoring, operation and removal of Tenant's Security System. Tenant shall provide Landlord with any information reasonably required regarding Tenant's Security System so that, except for any portion of the Premises with restricted access as required by applicable governmental laws, rules or regulations (including, without limitation, any vault located within the Premises), the Project janitorial staff may enter the Premises for the purpose of cleaning the Premises and so that Landlord may have access to the Premises in the event of an emergency. Tenant shall, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, remove Tenant's Security System upon the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease and repair any damage resulting from such removal.
- Secured Area. Notwithstanding any contrary provision contained in this Lease, Tenant shall be entitled, during the Term, to designate a reasonable portion of the Premises as a "Secured Area" and to install door locks or other access control systems as necessary to secure such Secured Area, provided that Tenant gives Landlord prior written notice of Tenant's designation of such Secured Area and that such Secured Area shall be used by Tenant solely for the purpose of securing certain valuable property or confidential information. Tenant hereby agrees and acknowledges that Landlord shall have no obligation to perform janitorial services in such Secured Area unless Tenant provides Landlord a written request for same and provides Landlord with access to such Secured Area (by providing Landlord a key or other device, by scheduling Landlord's entry with an escort or otherwise at times designated by Landlord). Landlord shall have the right to use reasonable force to gain access to such Secured Area in the case of emergency and Landlord shall have no liability whatsoever to Tenant in connection therewith. Landlord and Tenant hereby agree and acknowledge that, except as provided in the immediately preceding sentence, Landlord shall enter such Secured Area only upon one (1) business days' prior notice to Tenant and only after providing Tenant with the opportunity to have a representative of Tenant present as an escort. Landlord and Tenant hereby agree to use commercially reasonable efforts to schedule any such entries into the Secured Area by Landlord at times that are mutually convenient to both Landlord and Tenant, taking into consideration the nature of Tenant's operations in the Premises. Tenant agrees that Tenant shall be responsible, at its sole cost and expense, for complying with all applicable laws regarding such Secured Area and that such Secured Area is subject to the indemnification provisions of Article 13 below.

ARTICLE 10

LIENS

Tenant shall keep the Premises and the Project free from any mechanics' liens, vendors liens or any other liens arising out of any work performed, materials furnished or obligations incurred by Tenant, and Tenant agrees to defend, indemnify and hold Landlord harmless from and against any such lien or claim or action thereon, together with costs of suit and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred by Landlord in connection with any such claim or action. Before commencing any work of alteration, addition or improvement to the Premises, Tenant shall give Landlord at least ten (10) business days' written notice of the proposed commencement of such work (to afford Landlord an opportunity to post appropriate notices of non-

responsibility). In the event that there shall be recorded against the Premises or the Project or the property of which the Premises is a part any claim or lien arising out of any such work performed, materials furnished or obligations incurred by Tenant and such claim or lien shall not be removed or discharged within ten (10) days of filing, Landlord shall have the right but not the obligation to pay and discharge said lien without regard to whether such lien shall be lawful or correct, or to require that Tenant promptly deposit with Landlord in cash, lawful money of the United States, one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the amount of such claim, which sum may be retained by Landlord until such claim shall have been removed of record or until judgment shall have been rendered on such claim and such judgment shall have become final, at which time Landlord shall have the right to apply such deposit in discharge of the judgment on said claim and any costs, including attorneys' fees and costs incurred by Landlord, and shall remit the balance thereof to Tenant.

ARTICLE 11

PROJECT SERVICES

- (a) Basic Services. Landlord agrees to furnish to the Premises, at a cost to be included in Operating Costs, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturdays, excepting local and national holidays, air conditioning and heat all in such reasonable quantities as in the judgment of Landlord is reasonably necessary for the comfortable occupancy of the Premises. In addition, Landlord shall provide electric current for normal lighting and normal office machines, elevator service and water on the same floor as the Premises for lavatory and drinking purposes in such reasonable quantities as in the judgment of Landlord is reasonably necessary for general office use and in compliance with applicable codes. Janitorial and maintenance services shall be furnished five (5) days per week, excepting local and national holidays. Tenant shall comply with all rules and regulations which Landlord may establish for the proper functioning and protection of the common area air conditioning, heating, elevator, electrical, intrabuilding cabling and wiring and plumbing systems. Landlord shall not be liable for, and there shall be no rent abatement as a result of, any stoppage, reduction or interruption of any such services caused by governmental rules, regulations or ordinances, riot, strike, labor disputes, breakdowns, accidents, necessary repairs or other cause. Except as specifically provided in this Article 11, Tenant agrees to pay for all utilities and other services utilized by Tenant and any additional building services furnished to Tenant which are not uniformly furnished to all tenants of the Project, at the rate generally charged by Landlord to tenants of the Project for such utilities or services.
- (b) <u>Excess Usage</u>. Tenant will not, without the prior written consent of Landlord, use any apparatus or device in the Premises which will in any way increase the amount of electricity or water usually furnished or supplied for use of the Premises as general office space; nor connect any apparatus, machine or device with water pipes or electric current (except through existing electrical outlets in the Premises), for the purpose of using electric current or water.
- (c) Additional Electrical Service. If Tenant shall require electric current in excess of that which Landlord is obligated to furnish under Article 11(a) above, Tenant shall first obtain the written consent of Landlord, which Landlord may refuse in its sole and absolute discretion. Additionally, Landlord may cause an electric current meter or submeter to be installed in or about the Premises to measure the amount of any such excess electric current consumed by Tenant in the Premises. The cost of any such meter and of installation, maintenance and repair thereof shall be paid for by Tenant and Tenant agrees to pay to Landlord, promptly upon demand therefor by Landlord, for all such excess electric current consumed by any such use as shown by said meter at the rates charged for such service by the city in which the Project is located or the local public utility, as the case may be, furnishing the same, plus any additional expense incurred by Landlord in keeping account of the electric current so consumed.
- (d) <u>HVAC Balance</u>. If any lights, machines or equipment (including but not limited to computers and computer systems and appurtenances) are used by Tenant in the Premises which materially affect the temperature otherwise maintained by the air conditioning system, or generate substantially more heat in the Premises than would be generated by the building standard lights and usual office equipment, Landlord shall have the right to install any machinery and equipment which Landlord reasonably deems necessary to restore temperature balance, including but not limited to modifications to the standard

air conditioning equipment, and the cost thereof, including the cost of installation and any additional cost of operation and maintenance occasioned thereby, shall be paid by Tenant to Landlord upon demand by Landlord.

- Telecommunications. Upon request from Tenant from time to time, Landlord will provide Tenant with a listing of telecommunications and media service providers serving the Project, and Tenant shall have the right to contract directly with the providers of its choice. If Tenant wishes to contract with or obtain service from any provider which does not currently serve the Project or wishes to obtain from an existing carrier services which will require the installation of additional equipment, such provider must, prior to providing service, enter into a written agreement with Landlord setting forth the terms and conditions of the access to be granted to such provider. In considering the installation of any new or additional telecommunications cabling or equipment at the Project, Landlord will consider all relevant factors in a reasonable and non-discriminatory manner, including, without limitation, the existing availability of services at the Project, the impact of the proposed installations upon the Project and its operations and the available space and capacity for the proposed installations. Landlord may also consider whether the proposed service may result in interference with or interruption of other services at the Project or the business operations of other tenants or occupants of the Project. In no event shall Landlord be obligated to incur any costs or liabilities in connection with the installation or delivery of telecommunication services or facilities at the Project. All such installations shall be subject to Landlord's prior approval, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, and shall be performed in accordance with the terms of Article 9. If Landlord approves the proposed installations in accordance with the foregoing, Landlord will deliver its standard form agreement upon request and will use commercially reasonable efforts to promptly enter into an agreement on reasonable and non-discriminatory terms with a qualified, licensed and reputable carrier confirming the terms of installation and operation of telecommunications equipment consistent with the foregoing.
- (f) <u>After-Hours Use</u>. If Tenant requires heating, ventilation and/or air conditioning during times other than the times provided in Article 11(a) above, Tenant shall give Landlord such advance notice as Landlord shall reasonably require and shall pay Landlord's standard charge for such after-hours use.
- (g) <u>Reasonable Charges</u>. Landlord may impose a reasonable charge for any utilities or services (other than electric current and heating, ventilation and/or air conditioning which shall be governed by Articles 11(c) and (f) above) utilized by Tenant in excess of the amount or type that Landlord reasonably determines is typical for general office use.
- (h) <u>Sole Electrical Representative</u>. Tenant agrees that Landlord shall be the sole and exclusive representative with respect to, and shall maintain exclusive control over, the reception, utilization and distribution of electrical power, regardless of point or means of origin, use or generation. Tenant shall not have the right to contract directly with any provider of electrical power or services.
- (i) <u>Supplemental Power</u>. In the event that Tenant desires, at any time, to install any supplemental power supply at the Project ("**Supplemental Power Equipment**"), Landlord shall have the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, (i) to grant or withhold its consent to the installation of such Supplemental Power Equipment, and (ii) to designate a Landlord-affiliated entity to perform all work relating to the design and installation of such Supplemental Power Equipment.

ARTICLE 12

RIGHTS OF LANDLORD

(a) Right of Entry. Except to the extent expressly set forth to the contrary in Section 9(g) above, Landlord and its agents shall have the right to enter the Premises at all reasonable times, for the purpose of cleaning the Premises, examining or inspecting the same, serving or posting and keeping posted thereon notices as provided by law, or which Landlord deems necessary for the protection of Landlord or the Project, showing the same to prospective tenants, lenders or purchasers of the Project, in the case of an emergency, and for making such alterations, repairs, improvements or additions to the Premises or to the Project as Landlord may deem necessary or desirable. If Tenant shall not be personally present to open and permit an entry into the Premises at any time when such an entry by Landlord is necessary or permitted hereunder, Landlord may enter by means of a master key, or may forcibly enter in the case of an emergency, in each event without liability to Tenant and without affecting this Lease.

- Maintenance Work. Landlord reserves the right from time to time, but subject to payment by and/or reimbursement from Tenant as otherwise provided herein: (i) to install, use, maintain, repair, replace, relocate and control for service to the Premises and/or other parts of the Project pipes, ducts, conduits, wires, cabling, appurtenant fixtures, equipment spaces and mechanical systems, wherever located in the Premises or the Project, (ii) to alter, close or relocate any facility in the Premises or the common areas or otherwise conduct any of the above activities for the purpose of complying with a general plan for fire/life safety for the Project or otherwise, and (iii) to comply with any federal, state or local law, rule or order. Landlord shall attempt to perform any such work with the least inconvenience to Tenant as is reasonably practicable, but in no event shall Tenant be permitted to withhold or reduce Basic Rental or other charges due hereunder as a result of same, make any claim for constructive eviction or otherwise make any claim against Landlord for interruption or interference with Tenant's business and/or operations.
- (c) Rooftop. If Tenant desires to use the rooftop of the Project for any purpose, including the installation of communication equipment to be used from the Premises, such rights will be granted in Landlord's sole discretion and Tenant must negotiate the terms of any rooftop access with Landlord or the rooftop management company or lessee holding rights to the rooftop from time to time. Any rooftop access granted to Tenant will be at prevailing rates and will be governed by the terms of a separate written agreement or an amendment to this Lease.

ARTICLE 13

INDEMNITY; EXEMPTION OF LANDLORD FROM LIABILITY

- (a) <u>Indemnity</u>. Tenant shall indemnify, defend and hold Landlord, its subsidiaries, partners, affiliates and their respective officers, directors, employees and contractors (collectively, "Landlord Parties") harmless from any and all loss, cost, damage, expense and liability (including, without limitation, court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees) incurred in connection with or arising from any cause in, on or about the Premises (including, but not limited to, a slip and fall), Tenant's use of the Premises or the Project or from the conduct of Tenant's business or from any breach or default in the performance of any obligation on Tenant's part to be performed under this Lease or arising from any acts, omissions, negligence or willful misconduct of Tenant or any of its agents, contractors, employees or invitees, patrons, customers or members in or about the Project. Tenant hereby assumes all risk of damage to property or injury to persons in, upon or about the Premises from any cause (including, without limitation, any injury resulting from a slip and fall in, upon or about the Premises), and Tenant hereby waives all claims in respect thereof against Landlord and the Landlord Parties, excepting where the damage is caused solely by the negligence or willful misconduct of Landlord or the Landlord Parties.
- (b) Exemption of Landlord from Liability. Landlord and the Landlord Parties shall not be liable for injury to Tenant's business, or loss of income therefrom, however occurring (including, without limitation, from any failure or interruption of services or utilities). Further, Landlord and the Landlord Parties shall not be liable for damage or injury that may be sustained in, upon or about the Premises by Tenant, its employees, invitees, customers, agents, or contractors, or any other person, except to the extent such damage or injury results from the negligence or willful misconduct of Landlord or the Landlord Parties. Landlord and the Landlord Parties shall not be liable to Tenant for any damages arising from any willful or negligent action or inaction of any other tenant of the Project.
- surveillance or security personnel whatsoever in the Project is solely within Landlord's discretion; Landlord and the Landlord Parties shall have no liability in connection with the provision, or lack, of such services, and Tenant hereby agrees to hold Landlord and the Landlord Parties harmless with regard to any such potential claim. Landlord and the Landlord Parties shall not be liable for losses due to theft, vandalism, or like causes. Tenant shall defend, indemnify, and hold Landlord and the Landlord Parties harmless from any such claims made by any employee, licensee, invitee, contractor, agent or other person whose presence in, on or about the Premises or the Project is attendant to the business of Tenant.

ARTICLE 14

INSURANCE

- Tenant's Insurance. Tenant, shall at all times during the Term of this Lease, and at its own cost and expense, (a) procure and continue in force the following insurance coverage: (i) Commercial General Liability Insurance, written on an occurrence basis, with a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damages of not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) per occurrence and Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) in the annual aggregate, including products liability coverage if applicable, owners and contractors protective coverage if applicable, blanket contractual coverage including both oral and written contracts, and personal injury coverage, covering the insuring provisions of this Lease and the performance of Tenant of the indemnity and exemption of Landlord from liability agreements set forth in Article 13 hereof; (ii) a policy of standard fire written on special form, (all risks), including a vandalism and malicious mischief, sprinkler leakage coverage and earthquake sprinkler leakage where sprinklers are provided in an amount equal to the full replacement value new without deduction for depreciation of all (A) Tenant Improvements, Alterations, fixtures and other improvements in the Premises, including but not limited to all mechanical, plumbing, heating, ventilating, air conditioning, electrical, telecommunication and other equipment, systems and facilities, and (B) trade fixtures, furniture, equipment and other personal property installed by or at the expense of Tenant; (iii) Worker's Compensation coverage as required by law; and (iv) business interruption, loss of income and extra expense insurance covering any failure or interruption of Tenant's business equipment (including, without limitation, telecommunications equipment) covering all other perils, failures or interruptions sufficient to cover a period of interruption of not less than twelve (12) months.
- Form of Policies. The aforementioned minimum limits of policies and Tenant's procurement and (b) maintenance thereof shall in no event limit the liability of Tenant hereunder. The Commercial General Liability Insurance policy shall name the Landlord Parties, Landlord's lender(s) and such other persons or firms as Landlord specifies from time to time, as additional insured's. All such insurance policies carried by Tenant shall be with companies having a rating of not less than A-VIII in Best's Insurance Guide. Tenant shall furnish to Landlord, from the insurance companies, or cause the insurance companies to furnish, certificates of coverage. The deductible under each such policy shall in no event exceed \$5,000.00. No such policy shall be cancelable except after thirty (30) days prior written notice or ten (10) days of non-payment of premiums to Landlord by the insurer. All such policies shall be endorsed to agree that Tenant's policy is primary and that any insurance carried by Landlord is excess and not contributing with any Tenant insurance requirement hereunder. Tenant shall, furnish Landlord with renewals or binders upon issuance of renewal. Tenant agrees that if Tenant does not take out and maintain such insurance or furnish Landlord with renewals or binders in a timely manner, Landlord may (but shall not be required to) procure said insurance on Tenant's behalf and charge Tenant the cost thereof, which amount shall be payable by Tenant upon demand with interest (at the rate set forth in Section 20(e) below) from the date such sums are extended. Tenant shall have the right to provide such insurance coverage pursuant to blanket policies obtained by Tenant, provided such blanket policies expressly afford coverage to the Premises and to Tenant as required by this Lease.
- (c) <u>Landlord's Insurance</u>. Landlord may, as a cost to be included in Operating Costs, procure and maintain at all times during the Term of this Lease, a policy or policies of insurance covering loss or damage to the Project in the amount of the full replacement costs without deduction for depreciation thereof, providing protection against all perils included within the classification of fire and extended coverage, vandalism coverage and malicious mischief, sprinkler leakage, water damage, and special extended coverage on the building. Additionally, Landlord may carry: (i) Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Insurance and/or Excess Liability Coverage Insurance; and (ii) Earthquake and/or Flood Damage Insurance; and (iii) Rental Income Insurance; and (iv) any other forms of insurance Landlord may deem appropriate or any lender may require. The costs of all insurance carried by Landlord shall be included in Operating Costs.
- (d) <u>Waiver of Subrogation</u>. Landlord and Tenant each agree to require their respective insurers issuing the insurance described in Sections 14(a)(ii), 14(a)(iv) and the first sentence of Section 14(c), waive any rights of subrogation that such companies may have against the other party. Tenant hereby waives any right that Tenant may have against Landlord and Landlord hereby waives any right that Landlord may have against Tenant as a result of any loss or damage to the extent such loss or damage is insurable under such policies.

(e) Compliance with Law. Tenant agrees that it will not, at any time, during the Term of this Lease, carry any stock of goods or do anything in or about the Premises that will in any way tend to increase the insurance rates upon the Project. Tenant agrees to pay Landlord forthwith upon demand the amount of any increase in premiums for insurance that may be carried during the Term of this Lease, or the amount of insurance to be carried by Landlord on the Project resulting from the foregoing, or from Tenant doing any act in or about the Premises that does so increase the insurance rates, whether or not Landlord shall have consented to such act on the part of Tenant. If Tenant installs upon the Premises any electrical equipment which causes an overload of electrical lines of the Premises, Tenant shall at its own cost and expense, in accordance with all other Lease provisions (specifically including, but not limited to, the provisions of Article 9, 10 and 11 hereof), make whatever changes are necessary to comply with requirements of the insurance underwriters and any governmental authority having jurisdiction thereover, but nothing herein contained shall be deemed to constitute Landlord's consent to such overloading. Tenant shall, at its own expense, comply with all insurance requirements applicable to the Premises including without limitation, the installation of fire extinguishers or an automatic dry chemical extinguishing system.

ARTICLE 15

ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLETTING

Tenant shall have no power to, either voluntarily, involuntarily, by operation of law or otherwise, sell, assign, transfer or hypothecate this Lease, or sublet the Premises or any part thereof, or permit the Premises or any part thereof to be used or occupied by anyone other than Tenant or Tenant's employees without the prior written consent of Landlord, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. If Tenant is a corporation, unincorporated association, partnership or limited liability company, the sale, assignment, transfer or hypothecation of any class of stock or other ownership interest in such corporation, association, partnership or limited liability company in excess of forty-nine percent (49%) in the aggregate shall be deemed a "Transfer" within the meaning and provisions of this Article 15. Tenant may transfer its interest pursuant to this Lease only upon the following express conditions, which conditions are agreed by Landlord and Tenant to be reasonable.

- (a) That the proposed "Transferee" (as hereafter defined) shall be subject to the prior written consent of Landlord, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld but, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, it shall be reasonable for Landlord to deny such consent if:
- (i) The use to be made of the Premises by the proposed Transferee is (a) not generally consistent with the character and nature of all other tenancies in the Project, or (b) a use which conflicts with any so-called "exclusive" then in favor of, or for any use which might reasonably be expected to diminish the rent payable pursuant to any percentage rent lease with another tenant of the Project or any other buildings which are in the same complex as the Project, or (c) a use which would be prohibited by any other portion of this Lease (including but not limited to any Rules and Regulations then in effect);
- (ii) The financial responsibility of the proposed Transferee is not reasonably satisfactory to Landlord or in any event not at least equal to those which were possessed by Tenant as of the date of execution of this Lease;
 - (iii) The proposed Transferee is either a governmental agency or instrumentality thereof; or
- (iv) Either the proposed Transferee or any person or entity which directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by or is under common control with the proposed Transferee (A) occupies space in the Project at the time of the request for consent and Landlord has, or will have in the following six (6) months, comparable space available in the Project or Development (as reasonably determined by Landlord), or (B) is negotiating with Landlord or has negotiated with Landlord during the three (3) month period immediately preceding the date of the proposed Transfer, to lease space in the Project and Landlord has, or will have in the following six (6) months, comparable space available in the Project or Development (as reasonably determined by Landlord).
- (b) Upon Tenant's submission of a request for Landlord's consent to any such Transfer, Tenant shall pay to Landlord Landlord's then standard processing fee and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred in connection with the

proposed Transfer, which the parties hereby stipulate to be \$1,500.00, unless Landlord provides to Tenant evidence that Landlord has incurred greater costs in connection with the proposed Transfer;

- (c) That the proposed Transferee shall execute an agreement pursuant to which it shall agree to perform faithfully and be bound by all of the terms, covenants, conditions, provisions and agreements of this Lease applicable to that portion of the Premises so transferred; and
- (d) That an executed duplicate original of said assignment and assumption agreement or other transfer on a form reasonably approved by Landlord, shall be delivered to Landlord within five (5) days after the execution thereof, and that such transfer shall not be binding upon Landlord until the delivery thereof to Landlord and the execution and delivery of Landlord's consent thereto. It shall be a condition to Landlord's consent to any subleasing, assignment or other transfer of part or all of Tenant's interest in the Premises (a "Transfer") that (i) upon Landlord's consent to any Transfer, Tenant shall pay and continue to pay fifty percent (50%) of any "Transfer Premium" (defined below), received by Tenant from the transferee; (ii) any sublessee of part or all of Tenant's interest in the Premises shall agree that in the event Landlord gives such sublessee notice that Tenant is in default under this Lease, such sublessee shall thereafter make all sublease or other payments directly to Landlord, which will be received by Landlord without any liability whether to honor the sublease or otherwise (except to credit such payments against sums due under this Lease), and any sublessee shall agree to attorn to Landlord or its successors and assigns at their request should this Lease be terminated for any reason, except that in no event shall Landlord or its successors or assigns be obligated to accept such attornment; (iii) any such Transfer and consent shall be effected on forms supplied by Landlord and/or its legal counsel; (iv) Landlord may require that Tenant not then be in default hereunder in any respect; and (v) Tenant or the proposed subtenant or assignee (collectively, "Transferee") shall agree to pay Landlord, upon demand, as Additional Rent, a sum equal to the additional costs, if any, incurred by Landlord for maintenance and repair as a result of any change in the nature of occupancy caused by such subletting or assignment. "Transfer Premium" shall mean all rent, Additional Rent or other consideration payable by a Transferee in connection with a Transfer in excess of the Basic Rental and Direct Costs payable by Tenant under this Lease during the term of the Transfer and if such Transfer is for less than all of the Premises, the Transfer Premium shall be calculated on a rentable square foot basis. "Transfer Premium" shall also include, but not be limited to, key money (the difference between the Rent due and payable by Tenant under this Lease and the Rent due and payable by the Transferee under the assignment or sublease, as the case may be), bonus money or other cash consideration paid by a Transfere to Tenant in connection with such Transfer. Any Transfer of this Lease which is not in compliance with the provisions of this Article 15 shall be voidable by written notice from Landlord and shall, at the option of Landlord, terminate this Lease. In no event shall the consent by Landlord to any Transfer be construed as relieving Tenant or any Transferee from obtaining the express written consent of Landlord to any further Transfer, or as releasing Tenant from any liability or obligation hereunder whether or not then accrued and Tenant shall continue to be fully liable therefor. No collection or acceptance of rent by Landlord from any person other than Tenant shall be deemed a waiver of any provision of this Article 15 or the acceptance of any Transferee hereunder, or a release of Tenant (or of any Transferee of Tenant). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Lease, if Tenant or any proposed Transferee claims that Landlord has unreasonably withheld or delayed its consent under this Article 15 or otherwise has breached or acted unreasonably under this Article 15, their sole remedies shall be a declaratory judgment and an injunction for the relief sought without any monetary damages, and Tenant hereby waives all other remedies, including, without limitation, any right at law or equity to terminate this Lease, on its own behalf and, to the extent permitted under all applicable laws, on behalf of the proposed Transferee.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Article 15, Landlord shall have the option, by giving written notice to Tenant (a "Recapture Notice") within thirty (30) days after Landlord's receipt of a request for consent to a proposed Transfer, to terminate this Lease as to the portion of the Premises that is the subject of the proposed Transfer. If this Lease is so terminated with respect to less than the entire Premises, the Basic Rental and Tenant's Proportionate Share shall be prorated based on the number of rentable square feet retained by Tenant as compared to the total number of rentable square feet previously contained in the Premises, and this Lease as so amended shall continue thereafter in full force and effect, and upon the request of either party, the parties shall execute written confirmation of the same. However, if Landlord delivers a Recapture Notice to Tenant, Tenant may deliver written notice to Landlord, within ten (10) days after Tenant's receipt of the Recapture Notice, stating that Tenant is unconditionally rescinding its request for consent to the proposed Transfer in question, in which case such Transfer shall not be consummated and this Lease shall remain in full force and effect as to the portion of the Premises that was the subject of the Transfer, subject to the remaining terms of this Lease. Tenant's failure to so notify

Landlord in writing within said ten (10) day period shall be deemed to constitute Tenant's election to allow the Recapture Notice to be effective.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, an assignment or subletting of all or a portion of the Premises to an "Affiliate" of Tenant shall be deemed permitted hereunder (and shall not require the payment of a Transfer Premium to Landlord and shall not be subject to Landlord's rights of recapture set forth in the immediately following paragraph), provided that (i) Tenant notifies Landlord of any such assignment or sublease at least fifteen (15) days prior to its effective date and promptly supplies Landlord with any documents or information requested by Landlord regarding such assignment or sublease or such Affiliate, (ii) the net worth of Tenant's Affiliate immediately after the date of Transfer shall be reasonably sufficient to satisfy all of the obligations under this Lease, (iii) such assignment or sublease is not a subterfuge by Tenant to avoid its obligations under this Lease, (iv) if the Transfer is an assignment, the assignee assumes, in full, the obligations of Tenant under this Lease, and if the Transfer is a sublease, the Transferee executes such documentation reasonably required by Landlord in connection with the subordination of such sublease to this Lease, (v) Tenant remains fully liable under this Lease, and (vi) the use of the Premises remains unchanged and consistent with the character of a first-class office building. The term "Affiliate " of Tenant shall mean an entity which is (a) controlled by, controls, or is under common control with Tenant; (b) any entity with which Tenant has merged or consolidated, or (c) any entity which acquires all or substantially all of the assets of Tenant, and which continues to operate substantially the same business at the Premises as had been maintained by Tenant. The term "control," or "controlled" as used in this paragraph shall mean the ownership, directly or indirectly, of at least fifty percent (50%) of the voting securities of, or possession of the right to vote, in the ordinary direction of its affairs, of at least fifty percent (50%) of the voting interest in, an entity.

ARTICLE 16

DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION

If the Project is damaged by fire or other casualty and the insurance proceeds have been made available therefor by the holder or holders of any mortgages or deeds of trust covering the insured Premises or the Project, the damage shall be repaired by Landlord to the extent such insurance proceeds are available therefor and provided such repairs can, in Landlord's sole opinion, be completed within two hundred ten (210) days after the necessity for repairs as a result of such damage becomes known to Landlord, without the payment of overtime or other premiums, and until such repairs are completed rent shall be abated in proportion to the part of the Premises which is unusable by Tenant in the conduct of its business (but there shall be no abatement of rent by reason of any portion of the Premises being unusable for a period equal to one (1) day or less). However, if the damage is due to the fault or neglect of Tenant, its employees, agents, contractors, guests, invitees and the like, there shall be no abatement of rent, unless and to the extent Landlord receives rental income insurance proceeds. Upon the occurrence of any damage to the Premises, Tenant shall assign to Landlord (or to any party designated by Landlord) all insurance proceeds payable to Tenant under Section 14(a)(ii)(A) above; provided, however, that if the cost of repair of improvements within the Premises by Landlord exceeds the amount of insurance proceeds received by Landlord from Tenant's insurance carrier, as so assigned by Tenant, such excess costs shall be paid by Tenant to Landlord prior to Landlord's repair of such damage. If repairs cannot, in Landlord's opinion, be completed within two hundred ten (210) days after the necessity for repairs as a result of such damage becomes known to Landlord without the payment of overtime or other premiums, Landlord may, at its option, either (i) make such repairs in a reasonable time and in such event this Lease shall continue in effect and the rent shall be abated, if at all, in the manner provided in this Article 16, or (ii) elect not to effect such repairs and instead terminate this Lease, by notifying Tenant in writing of such termination within sixty (60) days after Landlord learns of the necessity for repairs as a result of damage, such notice to include a termination date giving Tenant sixty (60) days to vacate the Premises. In addition, Landlord may elect to terminate this Lease if the Project shall be damaged by fire or other casualty or cause, whether or not the Premises are affected, if the damage is not fully covered, except for deductible amounts, by Landlord's insurance policies. Finally, if the Premises or the Project is damaged to any substantial extent during the last twelve (12) months of the Term and Tenant elects not to exercise any existing renewal option in its favor (which has not been previously waived or expired), then notwithstanding anything contained in this Article 16 to the contrary, Landlord and/or Tenant shall have the option to terminate this Lease by giving written notice to the other party of the exercise of such option within sixty (60) days after the parties learn of the necessity for repairs as the result of such damage. A total destruction of the Project shall

automatically terminate this Lease. Except as provided in this Article 16, there shall be no abatement of rent and no liability of Landlord by reason of any injury to or interference with Tenant's business or property arising from such damage or destruction or the making of any repairs, alterations or improvements in or to any portion of the Project or the Premises or in or to fixtures, appurtenances and equipment therein. Tenant understands that Landlord will not carry insurance of any kind on Tenant's furniture, furnishings, trade fixtures or equipment, and that Landlord shall not be obligated to repair any damage thereto or replace the same. Tenant acknowledges that Tenant shall have no right to any proceeds of insurance carried by Landlord relating to property damage. With respect to any damage which Landlord is obligated to repair or elects to repair, Tenant, as a material inducement to Landlord entering into this Lease, irrevocably waives and releases its rights under the provisions of Sections 1932 and 1933 of the California Civil Code.

This paragraph shall apply only in the event of damage or destruction to the Premises not arising out of the gross negligence or willful misconduct of Tenant or its agents, employees, licensees, invitees, subtenants, affiliates, successors, assigns, contractors or subcontractors, where the Premises are rendered untenantable as a result of the damage or destruction in question and Landlord does not elect to terminate this Lease pursuant to the provisions above. If the estimated completion date of the repairs to the damage or destruction is greater than two hundred ten (210) days after the date Landlord learns of the damage. Tenant may elect, no later than thirty (30) days after Tenant's receipt of a certificate from Landlord describing the scope of the restoration and repair obligations and estimating the date said obligations are expected to be substantially completed so Tenant can resume normal business operations, to terminate this Lease by written notice to Landlord effective as of the date specified in Tenant's notice, which date shall be not greater than sixty (60) days after the date of delivery of Tenant's notice. Furthermore, if neither Landlord nor Tenant have terminated this Lease and the repairs are not actually completed within two hundred ten (210) days after the date Landlord learns of the damage (which two hundred ten (210) day period shall be extended only by delays resulting from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of Tenant and/or its agents, employees, licensees, invitees, subtenants, affiliates, successors, assigns, contractors or subcontractors), Tenant shall have the right to terminate this Lease within five (5) business days after the end of such period, by written notice to Landlord (the "Damage Termination Notice"), effective as of the date set forth in the Damage Termination Notice (the "Damage Termination Date"), which Damage Termination Date shall not be less than five (5) business days following the end of such period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if Tenant delivers a Damage Termination Notice to Landlord, then Landlord shall have the right to suspend the occurrence of the Damage Termination Date for a period ending thirty (30) days after the Damage Termination Date set forth in the Damage Termination Notice by delivering to Tenant, within five (5) business days of Landlord's receipt of the Damage Termination Notice, a certificate of Landlord's contractor responsible for the repair of the damage certifying that it is such contractor's good faith judgment that the repairs shall be substantially completed within thirty (30) days after the Damage Termination Date. If repairs shall be substantially completed prior to the expiration of such thirty (30) day period, then the Damage Termination Notice shall be of no force or effect but if the repairs shall not be substantially completed within such thirty (30) day period, then this Lease shall terminate upon the expiration of such thirty (30) day period. If Landlord undertakes repair and/or restoration pursuant to the provisions above and thereafter determines that it will not be able to complete the same within the two hundred ten (210) day period set forth herein, then Landlord shall promptly notify Tenant thereof and shall provide Tenant with Landlord's revised estimate of the date upon which Landlord will complete the same ("Revised Completion Date"). Within fifteen (15) business days after Tenant's receipt of such notice, Tenant shall have the right, but not the obligation, to elect to terminate this Lease or to agree to extend the two hundred ten (210) day period to the Revised Completion Date. Tenant's failure to elect to terminate or to extend such time period to the Revised Completion Date by written notice to Landlord within such fifteen (15) business day period shall be conclusively deemed to be Tenant's election to extend the time to the Revised Completion Date. Upon any such termination of this Lease pursuant to this Article 16, Tenant shall pay the rent and all other amounts due under this Lease, properly apportioned up to such date of termination, and both parties hereto shall thereafter be freed and discharged of all further obligations accruing after such termination, except as provided for in provisions of this Lease which by their terms survive the expiration or earlier termination of the Term.

ARTICLE 17

SUBORDINATION

This Lease is subject and subordinate to all ground or underlying leases, mortgages and deeds of trust which affect the property or the Project, including all renewals, modifications, consolidations, replacements and extensions thereof; provided, however, if the lessor under any such lease or the holder or holders of any such mortgage or deed of trust shall advise Landlord that they desire or require this Lease to be prior and superior thereto, upon written request of Landlord to Tenant, Tenant agrees to promptly execute, acknowledge and deliver any and all documents or instruments which Landlord or such lessor, holder or holders deem necessary or desirable for purposes thereof. Landlord shall have the right to cause this Lease to be and become and remain subject and subordinate to any and all ground or underlying leases, mortgages or deeds of trust which may hereafter be executed covering the Premises, the Project or the property or any renewals, modifications, consolidations, replacements or extensions thereof, for the full amount of all advances made or to be made thereunder and without regard to the time or character of such advances, together with interest thereon and subject to all the terms and provisions thereof; provided, however, that Landlord obtains from the lender or other party in question a written undertaking in favor of Tenant to the effect that such lender or other party will not disturb Tenant's right of possession under this Lease if Tenant is not then or thereafter in breach of any covenant or provision of this Lease. Tenant agrees, within ten (10) days after Landlord's written request therefor, to execute, acknowledge and deliver upon request any and all documents or instruments requested by Landlord or necessary or proper to assure the subordination of this Lease to any such mortgages, deed of trust, or leasehold estates. Tenant agrees that in the event any proceedings are brought for the foreclosure of any mortgage or deed of trust or any deed in lieu thereof, to attorn to the purchaser or any successors thereto upon any such foreclosure sale or deed in lieu thereof as so requested to do so by such purchaser and to recognize such purchaser as the lessor under this Lease; Tenant shall, within five (5) days after request execute such further instruments or assurances as such purchaser may reasonably deem necessary to evidence or confirm such attornment. Tenant agrees to provide copies of any notices of Landlord's default under this Lease to any mortgagee or deed of trust beneficiary whose address has been provided to Tenant and Tenant shall provide such mortgagee or deed of trust beneficiary a commercially reasonable time after receipt of such notice within which to cure any such default. Tenant waives the provisions of any current or future statute, rule or law which may give or purport to give Tenant any right or election to terminate or otherwise adversely affect this Lease and the obligations of the Tenant hereunder in the event of any foreclosure proceeding or sale.

ARTICLE 18

EMINENT DOMAIN

If the whole of the Premises or the Project or so much thereof as to render the balance unusable by Tenant shall be taken under power of eminent domain, or is sold, transferred or conveyed in lieu thereof, this Lease shall automatically terminate as of the date of such condemnation, or as of the date possession is taken by the condemning authority, at Landlord's option. No award for any partial or entire taking shall be apportioned, and Tenant hereby assigns to Landlord any award which may be made in such taking or condemnation, together with any and all rights of Tenant now or hereafter arising in or to the same or any part thereof; provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall be deemed to give Landlord any interest in or to require Tenant to assign to Landlord any award made to Tenant for the taking of personal property and trade fixtures belonging to Tenant and removable by Tenant at the expiration of the Term hereof as provided hereunder or for loss of goodwill, Tenant's relocation costs or the interruption of, or damage to, Tenant's business. In the event of a partial taking described in this Article 18, or a sale, transfer or conveyance in lieu thereof, which does not result in a termination of this Lease, the rent shall be apportioned according to the ratio that the part of the Premises remaining useable by Tenant bears to the total area of the Premises. Tenant hereby waives any and all rights it might otherwise have pursuant to Section 1265.130 of the California Code of Civil Procedure.

ARTICLE 19

DEFAULT

Each of the following acts or omissions of Tenant or of any guarantor of Tenant's performance hereunder, or occurrences, shall constitute an "Event of Default":

- (a) Failure or refusal to pay Basic Rental, Additional Rent or any other amount to be paid by Tenant to Landlord hereunder within three (3) calendar days after notice that the same is due or payable hereunder; said three (3) day period shall be in lieu of, and not in addition to, the notice requirements of Section 1161 of the California Code of Civil Procedure or any similar or successor law;
- (b) Except where a specific time period is otherwise set forth for Tenant's performance in this Lease, in which event the failure to perform by Tenant within such time period shall be a default under this Article 19(b), and except as set forth in items (a) above and (c) through and including (g) below, failure to perform or observe any other covenant or condition of this Lease to be performed or observed within thirty (30) days following written notice to Tenant of such failure ("**Default Notice**"); provided, however, that if the nature of Tenant's obligation is such that more than thirty (30) days are required for performance, then Tenant shall not be in default if Tenant commences performance within such thirty (30) day period and thereafter diligently prosecutes the same to completion within sixty (60) days after receipt of the Default Notice. Such thirty (30) day notice shall be in lieu of, and not in addition to, any required under Section 1161 of the California Code of Civil Procedure or any similar or successor law;
- (c) Abandonment or vacating or failure to accept tender of possession of the Premises or any significant portion thereof:
- (d) The taking in execution or by similar process or law (other than by eminent domain) of the estate hereby created;
- (e) The filing by Tenant or any guarantor hereunder in any court pursuant to any statute of a petition in bankruptcy or insolvency or for reorganization or arrangement for the appointment of a receiver of all or a portion of Tenant's property; the filing against Tenant or any guarantor hereunder of any such petition, or the commencement of a proceeding for the appointment of a trustee, receiver or liquidator for Tenant, or for any guarantor hereunder, or of any of the property of either, or a proceeding by any governmental authority for the dissolution or liquidation of Tenant or any guarantor hereunder, if such proceeding shall not be dismissed or trusteeship discontinued within thirty (30) days after commencement of such proceeding or the appointment of such trustee or receiver; or the making by Tenant or any guarantor hereunder of an assignment for the benefit of creditors. Tenant hereby stipulates to the lifting of the automatic stay in effect and relief from such stay for Landlord in the event Tenant files a petition under the United States Bankruptcy laws, for the purpose of Landlord pursuing its rights and remedies against Tenant and/or a guarantor of this Lease;
- (f) Tenant's failure to cause to be released any mechanics liens filed against the Premises or the Project within ten (10) days after the date the same shall have been filed or recorded; or
- (g) Tenant's failure to observe or perform according to the provisions of Articles 7, 14, 17 or 25 within two (2) business days after notice from Landlord.

All defaults by Tenant of any covenant or condition of this Lease shall be deemed by the parties hereto to be material.

ARTICLE 20

REMEDIES

(a) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default under this Lease as provided in Article 19 hereof, Landlord may exercise all of its remedies as may be permitted by law, including but not limited to the remedy provided by Section 1951.4 of the California Civil Code, and including without limitation, terminating this Lease, reentering the Premises and removing all persons and property therefrom, which property may be stored by Landlord at a warehouse or elsewhere at the risk, expense

and for the account of Tenant. If Landlord elects to terminate this Lease, Landlord shall be entitled to recover from Tenant the aggregate of all amounts permitted by law, including but not limited to (i) the worth at the time of award of the amount of any unpaid rent which had been earned at the time of such termination; plus (ii) the worth at the time of award of the amount by which the unpaid rent which would have been earned after termination until the time of award exceeds the amount of such rental loss that Tenant proves could have been reasonably avoided; plus (iii) the worth at the time of award of the amount by which the unpaid rent for the balance of the Lease Term after the time of award exceeds the amount of such rental loss that Tenant proves could have been reasonably avoided; plus (iv) any other amount necessary to compensate Landlord for all the detriment proximately caused by Tenant's failure to perform its obligations under this Lease or which in the ordinary course of things would be likely to result therefrom, specifically including but not limited to, tenant improvement expenses, brokerage commissions and advertising expenses incurred, expenses of remodeling the Premises or any portion thereof for a new tenant, whether for the same or a different use, and any special concessions made to obtain a new tenant; and (v) at Landlord's election, such other amounts in addition to or in lieu of the foregoing as may be permitted from time to time by applicable law. The term "rent" as used in this Article 20(a) shall be deemed to be and to mean all sums of every nature required to be paid by Tenant pursuant to the terms of this Lease, whether to Landlord or to others. As used in items (i) and (ii), above, the "worth at the time of award" shall be computed by allowing interest at the rate set forth in item (e), below, but in no case greater than the maximum amount of such interest permitted by law. As used in item (iii), above, the "worth at the time of award" shall be computed by discounting such amount at the discount rate of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco at the time of award plus one percent (1%).

- (b) Nothing in this Article 20 shall be deemed to affect Landlord's right to indemnification for liability or liabilities arising prior to the termination of this Lease for personal injuries or property damage under the indemnification clause or clauses contained in this Lease.
- (c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, Landlord's re-entry to perform acts of maintenance or preservation of or in connection with efforts to relet the Premises or any portion thereof, or the appointment of a receiver upon Landlord's initiative to protect Landlord's interest under this Lease shall not terminate Tenant's right to possession of the Premises or any portion thereof and, until Landlord does elect to terminate this Lease, this Lease shall continue in full force and effect and Landlord may enforce all of Landlord's rights and remedies hereunder including, without limitation, the remedy described in California Civil Code Section 1951.4 (lessor may continue lease in effect after lessee's breach and abandonment and recover rent as it becomes due, if Lessee has the right to sublet or assign, subject only to reasonable limitations). Accordingly, if Landlord does not elect to terminate this Lease on account of any default by Tenant, Landlord may, from time to time, without terminating this Lease, enforce all of its rights and remedies under this Lease, including the right to recover all rent as it becomes due.
- (d) All rights, powers and remedies of Landlord hereunder and under any other agreement now or hereafter in force between Landlord and Tenant shall be cumulative and not alternative and shall be in addition to all rights, powers and remedies given to Landlord by law, and the exercise of one or more rights or remedies shall not impair Landlord's right to exercise any other right or remedy.
- (e) Any amount due from Tenant to Landlord hereunder which is not paid when due shall bear interest at the lower of eighteen percent (18%) per annum or the maximum lawful rate of interest from the due date until paid, unless otherwise specifically provided herein, but the payment of such interest shall not excuse or cure any default by Tenant under this Lease. In addition to such interest: (i) if Basic Rental is not paid on or before the fifth (5th) day of the calendar month for which the same is due, a late charge equal to ten percent (10%) of the amount overdue or \$100, whichever is greater, shall be immediately due and owing and shall accrue for each calendar month or part thereof until such rental, including the late charge, is paid in full, which late charge Tenant hereby agrees is a reasonable estimate of the damages Landlord shall suffer as a result of Tenant's late payment and (ii) an additional charge of \$25 shall be assessed for any check given to Landlord by or on behalf of Tenant which is not honored by the drawee thereof; which damages include Landlord's additional administrative and other costs associated with such late payment and unsatisfied checks and the parties agree that it would be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix Landlord's actual damage in such event. Such charges for interest and late payments and unsatisfied checks are separate and cumulative and are in addition to and shall not diminish or represent a substitute for any or all of Landlord's rights or remedies under any other provision of this Lease.

- (f) Whether or not Landlord elects to terminate this Lease on account of any default by Tenant, as set forth in this Article 20, Landlord shall have the right to terminate any and all subleases, licenses, concessions or other consensual arrangements for possession entered into by Tenant and affecting the Premises or may, in Landlord's sole discretion, succeed to Tenant's interest in such subleases, licenses, concessions or arrangements. In the event of Landlord's election to succeed to Tenant's interest in any such subleases, licenses, concessions or arrangements, Tenant shall, as of the date of notice by Landlord of such election, have no further right to or interest in the rent or other consideration receivable thereunder.
- Landlord shall not be in default under this Lease unless Landlord fails to perform obligations required of Landlord within thirty (30) days after written notice is delivered by Tenant to Landlord and to the holder of any mortgages or deeds of trust (collectively, "Lender") covering the Premises whose name and address shall have theretofore been furnished to Tenant in writing, specifying the obligation which Landlord has failed to perform; provided, however, that if the nature of Landlord's obligation is such that more than thirty (30) days are required for performance, then Landlord shall not be in default if Landlord or Lender commences performance within such thirty (30) day period and thereafter diligently prosecutes the same to completion.
- (h) In the event of any default, breach or violation of Tenant's rights under this Lease by Landlord, Tenant's exclusive remedies shall be an action for specific performance (including injunctive relief) or action for actual damages. Without limiting any other waiver by Tenant which may be contained in this Lease, Tenant hereby waives the benefit of any laws granting it the right to perform Landlord's obligation, or the right to terminate this Lease on account of any Landlord default.

ARTICLE 21

TRANSFER OF LANDLORD'S INTEREST

In the event of any transfer or termination of Landlord's interest in the Premises or the Project by sale, assignment, transfer, foreclosure, deed-in-lieu of foreclosure or otherwise whether voluntary or involuntary, Landlord shall be automatically relieved of any and all obligations and liabilities on the part of Landlord from and after the date of such transfer or termination, including furthermore without limitation, the obligation of Landlord under Article 4 and California Civil Code 1950.7 above to return the security deposit, provided said security deposit is transferred to said transferee. Tenant agrees to attorn to the transferee upon any such transfer and to recognize such transferee as the lessor under this Lease and Tenant shall, within five (5) days after request, execute such further instruments or assurances as such transferee may reasonably deem necessary to evidence or confirm such attornment.

ARTICLE 22

BROKER

In connection with this Lease, Tenant warrants and represents that it has had dealings only with firm(s) set forth in Article 1.H. of the Basic Lease Provisions and that it knows of no other person or entity who is or might be entitled to a commission, finder's fee or other like payment in connection herewith and does hereby indemnify and agree to hold Landlord, its agents, members, partners, representatives, officers, affiliates, shareholders, employees, successors and assigns harmless from and against any and all loss, liability and expenses that Landlord may incur should such warranty and representation prove incorrect, inaccurate or false.

ARTICLE 23

PARKING

Tenant shall have the right to use, free of charge during the initial Term, commencing on the Commencement Date, up to the number of unreserved parking passes set forth in Section 1(I) of the Basic Lease Provisions, which parking passes shall pertain to the Project parking facility. Tenant's continued right to use the parking passes is conditioned upon Tenant abiding by all rules and regulations which are prescribed from time to time for the orderly operation and use of the parking facility where the parking passes are located, including any sticker or other identification system established by Landlord, Tenant's cooperation in seeing that Tenant's employees and visitors also comply with such rules and regulations, and Tenant not being in default under this Lease. Landlord specifically reserves the right to change the size, configuration, design, layout and all other aspects of the Project parking facility at any time and Tenant acknowledges and agrees that Landlord may, without incurring any liability to Tenant and without any abatement of rent under this Lease, from time to time, close-off or restrict access to the Project parking facility for purposes of permitting or facilitating any such construction, alteration or improvements. Landlord may, from time to time, relocate any reserved parking spaces (if any) used by Tenant to another location in the Project parking facility. Landlord may delegate its responsibilities hereunder to a parking operator or a lessee of the parking facility in which case such parking operator or lessee shall have all the rights of control attributed hereby to the Landlord. The parking passes used by Tenant pursuant to this Article 23 are provided to Tenant solely for use by Tenant's own personnel and such passes may not be transferred, assigned, subleased or otherwise alienated by Tenant (other than to a Transferee approved by Landlord pursuant to Article 15, above) without Landlord's prior approval.

ARTICLE 24

WAIVER

No waiver by Landlord or Tenant of any provision of this Lease shall be deemed to be a waiver of any other provision hereof or of any subsequent breach by the other of the same or any other provision. No provision of this Lease may be waived by Landlord or Tenant, except by an instrument in writing executed by the waiving party. Landlord's consent to or approval of any act by Tenant requiring Landlord's consent or approval shall not be deemed to render unnecessary the obtaining of Landlord's consent to or approval of any subsequent act of Tenant, whether or not similar to the act so consented to or approved. Tenant's consent to or approval of any act by Landlord requiring Tenant's consent or approval shall not be deemed to render unnecessary the obtaining of Tenant's consent to or approval of any subsequent act of Landlord, whether or not similar to the act so consented to or approved. No act or thing done by Landlord or Landlord's agents during the Term of this Lease shall be deemed an acceptance of a surrender of the Premises, and no agreement to accept such surrender shall be valid unless in writing and signed by Landlord. The subsequent acceptance of rent hereunder by Landlord shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any preceding breach by Tenant of any term, covenant or condition of this Lease, other than the failure of Tenant to pay the particular rent so accepted, regardless of Landlord's knowledge of such preceding breach at the time of acceptance of such rent. Any payment by Tenant or receipt by Landlord of an amount less than the total amount then due hereunder shall be deemed to be in partial payment only thereof and not a waiver of the balance due or an accord and satisfaction, notwithstanding any statement or endorsement to the contrary on any check or any other instrument delivered concurrently therewith or in reference thereto. Accordingly, Landlord may accept any such amount and negotiate any such check without prejudice to Landlord's right to recover all balances due and owing and to pursue its other rights against Tenant under this Lease, regardless of whether Landlord makes any notation on such instrument of payment or otherwise notifies Tenant that such acceptance or negotiation is without prejudice to Landlord's rights.

ARTICLE 25

ESTOPPEL CERTIFICATE

Tenant shall, at any time and from time to time, upon not less than ten (10) days' prior written notice from Landlord, execute, acknowledge and deliver to Landlord a statement in writing certifying the following information, (but not limited to the following information in the event further information is requested by Landlord): (i) that this Lease is unmodified and in full force and effect (or, if modified, stating the nature of such modification and certifying that this Lease, as modified, is in full force and effect); (ii) the dates to which the rental and other charges are paid in advance, if any; (iii) the amount of Tenant's security deposit, if any; and (iv) acknowledging that there are not, to Tenant's knowledge, any uncured defaults on the part of Landlord hereunder, and no events or conditions then in existence which, with the passage of time or notice or both, would constitute a default on the part of Landlord hereunder, or specifying such defaults, events or conditions, if any are claimed. It is expressly understood and agreed that any such statement may be relied upon by any prospective purchaser or encumbrancer of all or any portion of the Real Property. Tenant's failure to deliver such statement within such time shall constitute an admission by Tenant that all statements contained therein are true and correct. Tenant hereby irrevocably appoints Landlord as Tenant's attorney-in-fact and in Tenant's name, place and stead to execute any and all documents described in this Article 25 if Tenant fails to do so within the specified time period.

Landlord shall, but only in connection with Tenant's Transfer of this Lease, merger, consolidation or sale of its assets or obtainment of financing for its business, upon not less than thirty (30) days prior written notice from Tenant, execute, acknowledge and deliver to Tenant a statement in writing certifying the following information: (i) that this Lease is unmodified and in full force and effect (or, if modified, stating the nature of such modification and certifying that this Lease, as modified, is in full force and effect); (ii) the dates to which Tenant's rental and other charges are paid in advance, if any; (iii) the amount of Tenant's security deposit, if any; and (iv) acknowledging that there are not, to Landlord's actual knowledge, any uncured defaults on the part of Tenant hereunder, and no events or conditions then in existence which, with the passage of time or notice or both, would constitute a default on the part of Tenant hereunder, or specifying such defaults, events or conditions, if any are claimed. It is expressly understood and agreed that any such statement may be relied upon only by Tenant, such Transferee and/or Tenant's lender.

ARTICLE 26

LIABILITY OF LANDLORD

Notwithstanding anything in this Lease to the contrary, any remedy of Tenant for the collection of a judgment (or other judicial process) requiring the payment of money by Landlord in the event of any default by Landlord hereunder or any claim, cause of action, obligation, contractual statutory or otherwise by Tenant against Landlord or the Landlord Parties concerning, arising out of or relating to any matter relating to this Lease and all of the covenants and conditions or any obligations, contractual, statutory, or otherwise set forth herein, shall be limited solely and exclusively to an amount which is equal to the interest of Landlord in and to the Project (including Landlord's interest in any proceeds of insurance policies). No other property or assets of Landlord, or any member, officer, director, shareholder, partner, trustee, agent, servant or employee of Landlord ("Representative") shall be subject to levy, execution or other enforcement procedure for the satisfaction of Tenant's remedies under or with respect to this Lease, Landlord's obligations to Tenant, whether contractual, statutory or otherwise, the relationship of Landlord and Tenant hereunder, or Tenant's use or occupancy of the Premises. Tenant further understands that any liability, duty or obligation of Landlord to Tenant which accrues from and after the date of transfer, shall automatically cease and terminate as of the date that Landlord or any of Landlord's Representatives no longer have any right, title or interest in or to the Project. Notwithstanding any contrary provision herein, neither Landlord nor any Landlord Representative shall be liable under any circumstances for injury or damage to, or interference with, Tenant's business, including but not limited to, loss of profits, loss of rents or other revenues, loss of business opportunity, loss of goodwill or loss of use, in each case, however occurring.

ARTICLE 27

INABILITY TO PERFORM

Except for Tenant's obligations to pay Basic Rental, Additional Rent and any other charge or sum payable by Tenant under this Lease, this Lease and the obligations of Landlord and Tenant hereunder shall not be affected or impaired because Landlord or Tenant, as the case may be, is unable to fulfill any of its obligations hereunder or is delayed in doing so, if such inability or delay is caused by reason of any prevention, delay, stoppage due to strikes, lockouts, acts of God, or any other cause previously, or at such time, beyond the reasonable control or anticipation of Landlord or Tenant, as the case may be (collectively, a "Force Majeure") in which event Landlord's or Tenant's, as the case may be, obligations under this Lease shall be forgiven and suspended by and to the extent of any such Force Majeure.

ARTICLE 28

HAZARDOUS WASTE

- Tenant shall not cause or permit any Hazardous Material (as defined in Article 28(d) below) to enter or be (a) brought, kept or used in or about the Project by Tenant, its agents, employees, contractors, or invitees. Tenant indemnifies Landlord and the Landlord Parties from and against any breach by Tenant of the obligations stated in this Article 28, and agrees to defend and hold Landlord and the Landlord Parties harmless from and against any and all claims, judgments, damages, penalties, fines, costs, liabilities, or losses (including, without limitation, diminution in value of the Project, damages for the loss or restriction or use of rentable or usable space or of any amenity of the Project, damages arising from any adverse impact or marketing of space in the Project, and sums paid in settlement of claims, attorneys' fees and costs, consultant fees, and expert fees) which arise during or after the Term of this Lease as a result of such breach. This indemnification of Landlord and the Landlord Parties by Tenant includes, without limitation, costs incurred in connection with any investigation of site conditions or any cleanup, remedial, removal, or restoration work required by any federal, state, or local governmental agency or political subdivision because of Hazardous Material present in the soil or ground water on or under the Project. Without limiting the foregoing, if the presence of any Hazardous Material on the Project caused or permitted by Tenant results in any contamination of the Project, then subject to the provisions of Articles 9, 10 and 11 hereof, Tenant shall promptly take all actions at its sole expense as are necessary to return the Project to the condition existing prior to the introduction of any such Hazardous Material and the contractors to be used by Tenant for such work must be approved by Landlord, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld so long as such actions would not potentially have any material adverse long-term or short-term effect on the Project and so long as such actions do not materially interfere with the use and enjoyment of the Project by the other tenants thereof, provided however, Landlord shall also have the right, by written notice to Tenant, to directly undertake any such mitigation efforts with regard to Hazardous Materials in or about the Project due to Tenant's breach of its obligations pursuant to this Section 28(a), and to charge Tenant, as Additional Rent, for the costs thereof. Landlord and Tenant specifically agree that Tenant shall not be responsible or liable to Landlord or to other parties for any of Landlord's Hazardous Materials (defined below) which are released or brought in, on, under or about the Project by Landlord or any agent, employee, contractor or representative of Landlord. The term "Landlord's Hazardous Materials" shall mean Hazardous Materials which are present in, on, under or about the Project or Premises (A) as of the date of this Lease regardless of the source of such materials, or (B) which are released or brought in, on, under or about the Project or Premises by another tenant of the Project or Landlord or any agent, employee, contractor or representative of Landlord on or after the date of this Lease. Landlord's Hazardous Materials shall specifically not include any Hazardous Materials released, disturbed, transported, stored, generated or used by Tenant or any agent, representative, contractor, licensee, invitee, customer or employee of Tenant in connection with or related to any dealings with Tenant or otherwise at the Project after the date of this Lease.
 - (b) Intentionally Omitted.
- (c) It shall not be unreasonable for Landlord to withhold its consent to any proposed Transfer if (i) the proposed transferee's anticipated use of the Premises involves the generation, storage, use, treatment, or disposal of Hazardous Material; (ii) the proposed Transferee has been required by any prior landlord, lender, or governmental authority to take remedial action in connection with Hazardous Material contaminating a property if the contamination resulted from such Transferee's actions or use of the property in question; or (iii) the proposed Transferee is subject to an enforcement order issued by any governmental authority in connection with the use, disposal, or storage of a Hazardous Material.

- (d) As used herein, the term "Hazardous Material" means any hazardous, toxic or other substance, material, or waste which is or becomes regulated by any local governmental authority, the State of California or the United States Government. The term "Hazardous Material" includes, without limitation, any material or substance which is (i) defined as "Hazardous Waste," "Extremely Hazardous Waste," or "Restricted Hazardous Waste" under Sections 25115, 25117 or 25122.7, or listed pursuant to Section 25140, of the California Health and Safety Code, Division 20, Chapter 6.5 (Hazardous Waste Control Law), (ii) defined as a "Hazardous Substance" under Section 25316 of the California Health and Safety Code, Division 20, Chapter 6.8 (Carpenter-Presley-Tanner Hazardous Substance Account Act), (iii) defined as a "Hazardous Material," "Hazardous Substance," or "Hazardous Waste" under Section 25501 of the California Health and Safety Code, Division 20, Chapter 6.95 (Hazardous Materials Release Response Plans and Inventory), (iv) defined as a "Hazardous Substance" under Section 25281 of the California Health and Safety Code, Division 20, Chapter 6.7 (Underground Storage of Hazardous Substances), (v) regulated by Section 26100 et seq. of the California Health and Safety Code, Division 20, Chapter 18 (Toxic Mold Protection Act of 2001), (vi) petroleum, (vii) asbestos, (viii) listed under Article 9 or defined as Hazardous or extremely hazardous pursuant to Article 11 of Title 22 of the California Administrative Code, Division 4, Chapter 20, (ix) designated as a "Hazardous Substance" pursuant to Section 311 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. § 1317), (x) defined as a "Hazardous Waste" pursuant to Section 1004 of the Federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6901 et seq. (42 U.S.C. § 6903), or (xi) defined as a "Hazardous Substance" pursuant to Section 101 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. § 9601 et seg. (42 U.S.C. § 9601).
- (e) As used herein, the term "Laws" means any applicable federal, state or local law, ordinance, or regulation relating to any Hazardous Material affecting the Project, including, without limitation, the laws, ordinances, and regulations referred to in Article 28(d) above.

ARTICLE 29

SURRENDER OF PREMISES; REMOVAL OF PROPERTY

- (a) The voluntary or other surrender of this Lease by Tenant to Landlord, or a mutual termination hereof, shall not work a merger, and shall at the option of Landlord, operate as an assignment to it of any or all subleases or subtenancies affecting the Premises.
- (b) Upon the expiration of the Term of this Lease, or upon any earlier termination of this Lease, Tenant shall quit and surrender possession of the Premises to Landlord in good order and condition, reasonable wear and tear and repairs which are Landlord's obligation excepted, and shall, without expense to Landlord, remove or cause to be removed from the Premises all debris and rubbish, all furniture, equipment, business and trade fixtures, free-standing cabinet work, moveable partitioning, telephone and data cabling and wiring (including telephone and data jacks) and other articles of personal property owned by Tenant or installed or placed by Tenant at its own expense in the Premises, and all similar articles of any other persons claiming under Tenant (unless Landlord exercises its option to have any subleases or subtenancies assigned to it), and Tenant shall repair all damage to the Premises resulting from the removal of such items from the Premises. The removal of telephone and data cabling and wiring shall be performed in accordance with all applicable law including, without limitation, The National Electric Code.
- (c) Whenever Landlord shall reenter the Premises as provided in Article 20 hereof, or as otherwise provided in this Lease, any property of Tenant not removed by Tenant upon the expiration of the Term of this Lease (or within forty-eight (48) hours after a termination by reason of Tenant's default), as provided in this Lease, shall be considered abandoned property ("Abandoned Property"). Landlord may take any one or more of the following actions with respect to Abandoned Property: (i) remove any or all of the Abandoned Property from the Premises, (ii) dispose of any or all of the Abandoned Property in any location at the expense and risk of Tenant, and/or (iv) sell any or all of the Abandoned Property at public or private sale, in such manner and at such times and places as Landlord, in its sole discretion, may deem proper, without notice to or demand upon Tenant. If Landlord sells the Abandoned Property, Landlord shall apply the proceeds of such sale as follows: first, to the cost and expense of such sale.

including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs for services rendered; second, to the payment of the cost of or charges for storing any such property; third, to the payment of any other sums of money which may then or thereafter be due to Landlord from Tenant under any of the terms of this Lease; and fourth, the balance, if any, to Tenant. If Landlord takes any such action with respect to the Abandoned Property under the terms of this section, Tenant shall release Landlord from any and all liability arising out of or related to the Abandoned Property and Tenant shall indemnify, defend and hold Landlord harmless from any and all loss, cost, damage, liability or claims arising out of or related to the Abandoned Property.

(d) All fixtures, equipment, leasehold improvements, Alterations and/or appurtenances attached to or built into the Premises prior to or during the Term, whether by Landlord or Tenant and whether at the expense of Landlord or Tenant, or of both, shall be and remain part of the Premises and shall not be removed by Tenant at the end of the Term unless otherwise expressly provided for in this Lease or unless such removal is required by Landlord. Such fixtures, equipment, leasehold improvements, Alterations, additions, improvements and/or appurtenances shall include but not be limited to: all floor coverings, drapes, paneling, built-in cabinetry, molding, doors, vaults (including vault doors), plumbing systems, security systems, electrical systems, lighting systems, silencing equipment, communication systems, all fixtures and outlets for the systems mentioned above and for all telephone, radio, telegraph and television purposes, and any special flooring or ceiling installations.

ARTICLE 30

MISCELLANEOUS

(a) SEVERABILITY; ENTIRE AGREEMENT. ANY PROVISION OF THIS LEASE WHICH SHALL PROVE TO BE INVALID, VOID, OR ILLEGAL SHALL IN NO WAY AFFECT, IMPAIR OR INVALIDATE ANY OTHER PROVISION HEREOF AND SUCH OTHER PROVISIONS SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT. THIS LEASE AND THE EXHIBITS AND ANY ADDENDUM ATTACHED HERETO CONSTITUTE THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES HERETO WITH REGARD TO TENANT'S OCCUPANCY OR USE OF ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THE PROJECT, AND NO PRIOR AGREEMENT OR UNDERSTANDING PERTAINING TO ANY SUCH MATTER SHALL BE EFFECTIVE FOR ANY PURPOSE. NO PROVISION OF THIS LEASE MAY BE AMENDED OR SUPPLEMENTED EXCEPT BY AN AGREEMENT IN WRITING SIGNED BY THE PARTIES HERETO OR THEIR SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST. THE PARTIES AGREE THAT ANY DELETION OF LANGUAGE FROM THIS LEASE PRIOR TO ITS MUTUAL EXECUTION BY LANDLORD AND TENANT SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUCTION OR IMPLICATION INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY IMPLICATION THAT THE PARTIES INTENDED THEREBY TO STATE THE CONVERSE, OBVERSE OR OPPOSITE OF THE DELETED LANGUAGE.

(b) <u>Attorneys' Fees; Waiver of Jury Trial</u>.

- (i) In any action to enforce the terms of this Lease, including any suit by Landlord for the recovery of rent or possession of the Premises, the losing party shall pay the successful party a reasonable sum for attorneys' fees and costs in such suit and such attorneys' fees and costs shall be deemed to have accrued prior to the commencement of such action and shall be paid whether or not such action is prosecuted to judgment. Tenant shall also reimburse Landlord for all costs incurred by Landlord in connection with enforcing its rights under this Lease against Tenant following a bankruptcy by Tenant or otherwise, including without limitation, legal fees, experts' fees and expenses, court costs and consulting fees.
- (ii) Should Landlord, without fault on Landlord's part, be made a party to any litigation instituted by Tenant or by any third party against Tenant, or by or against any person holding under or using the Premises by license of Tenant, or for the foreclosure of any lien for labor or material furnished to or for Tenant or any such other person or otherwise arising out of or resulting from any act or transaction of Tenant or of any such other person, Tenant covenants to save and hold Landlord harmless from any judgment rendered against Landlord or the Premises or any part thereof and from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred by Landlord in connection with such litigation.

- (iii) When legal services are rendered by an attorney at law who is an employee of a party, attorneys' fees and costs incurred by that party shall be deemed to include an amount based upon the number of hours spent by such employee on such matters multiplied by an appropriate billing rate determined by taking into consideration the same factors, including but not limited by, the importance of the matter, time applied, difficulty and results, as are considered when an attorney not in the employ of a party is engaged to render such service.
 - (iv) Intentionally Omitted.
- (c) <u>Time of Essence</u>. Each of Tenant's covenants herein is a condition and time is of the essence with respect to the performance of every provision of this Lease.
- (d) <u>Headings; Joint and Several</u>. The article headings contained in this Lease are for convenience only and do not in any way limit or amplify any term or provision hereof. The terms "Landlord" and "Tenant" as used herein shall include the plural as well as the singular, the neuter shall include the masculine and feminine genders and the obligations herein imposed upon Tenant shall be joint and several as to each of the persons, firms or corporations of which Tenant may be composed.
- (e) Reserved Area. Tenant hereby acknowledges and agrees that the exterior walls of the Premises and the area between the finished ceiling of the Premises and the slab of the floor of the Project thereabove have not been demised hereby and the use thereof together with the right to install, maintain, use, repair and replace pipes, ducts, conduits, wiring and cabling leading through, under or above the Premises or throughout the Project in locations which will not materially interfere with Tenant's use of the Premises and serving other parts of the Project are hereby excepted and reserved unto Landlord.
- (f) NO OPTION. THE SUBMISSION OF THIS LEASE BY LANDLORD, ITS AGENT OR REPRESENTATIVE FOR EXAMINATION OR EXECUTION BY TENANT DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OPTION OR OFFER TO LEASE THE PREMISES UPON THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONTAINED HEREIN OR A RESERVATION OF THE PREMISES IN FAVOR OF TENANT, IT BEING INTENDED HEREBY THAT THIS LEASE SHALL ONLY BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON THE EXECUTION HEREOF BY LANDLORD AND TENANT AND DELIVERY OF A FULLY EXECUTED LEASE TO TENANT.
- Use of Project Name; Improvements. Tenant shall not be allowed to use the name, picture or representation of the Project, or words to that effect, in connection with any business carried on in the Premises or otherwise (except as Tenant's address) without the prior written consent of Landlord. In the event that Landlord undertakes any additional improvements on the Real Property including but not limited to new construction or renovation or additions to the existing improvements, Landlord shall not be liable to Tenant for any noise, dust, vibration or interference with access to the Premises or disruption in Tenant's business caused thereby.
- (h) Rules and Regulations. Tenant shall observe faithfully and comply strictly with the Rules and Regulations attached to this Lease as Exhibit "B" and made a part hereof, and such other Rules and Regulations as Landlord may from time to time reasonably adopt for the safety, care and cleanliness of the Project, the facilities thereof, or the preservation of good order therein. Landlord shall not be liable to Tenant for violation of any such Rules and Regulations, or for the breach of any covenant or condition in any lease by any other tenant in the Project. A waiver by Landlord of any Rule or Regulation for any other tenant shall not constitute nor be deemed a waiver of the Rule or Regulation for this Tenant.
- (i) <u>Quiet Possession</u>. Upon Tenant's paying the Basic Rental, Additional Rent and other sums provided hereunder and observing and performing all of the covenants, conditions and provisions on Tenant's part to be observed and performed hereunder, Tenant shall have quiet possession of the Premises for the entire Term hereof, subject to all of the provisions of this Lease.
- (j) Rent. All payments required to be made hereunder to Landlord shall be deemed to be rent, whether or not described as such.

- (k) <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. Subject to the provisions of Article 15 hereof, all of the covenants, conditions and provisions of this Lease shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns.
- (I) Notices. Any notice required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be in writing and may be given by personal service evidenced by a signed receipt or sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, or via overnight courier, and shall be effective upon proof of delivery, addressed to Tenant at the Premises or to Landlord at the management office for the Project, with a copy to Landlord, c/o Told Partners, 5940 Variel Avenue, Woodland Hills, California 91367, Attn: Brian Forster. Either party may by notice to the other specify a different address for notice purposes except that, upon Tenant's taking possession of the Premises, the Premises shall constitute Tenant's address for notice purposes. A copy of all notices to be given to Landlord hereunder shall be concurrently transmitted by Tenant to such party hereafter designated by notice from Landlord to Tenant. Any notices sent by Landlord regarding or relating to eviction procedures, including without limitation three day notices, may be sent by regular mail.
- (m) <u>Persistent Delinquencies</u>. In the event that Tenant shall be delinquent by more than fifteen (15) days in the payment of rent on three (3) separate occasions in any twelve (12) month period, Landlord shall have the right to terminate this Lease by thirty (30) days written notice given by Landlord to Tenant within thirty (30) days of the last such delinquency.
- (n) Right of Landlord to Perform. All covenants and agreements to be performed by Tenant under any of the terms of this Lease shall be performed by Tenant at Tenant's sole cost and expense and without any abatement of rent. If Tenant shall fail to pay any sum of money, other than rent, required to be paid by it hereunder or shall fail to perform any other act on its part to be performed hereunder, and such failure shall continue beyond any applicable cure period set forth in this Lease, Landlord may, but shall not be obligated to, without waiving or releasing Tenant from any obligations of Tenant, make any such payment or perform any such other act on Tenant's part to be made or performed as is in this Lease provided. All sums so paid by Landlord and all reasonable incidental costs, together with interest thereon at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum from the date of such payment by Landlord, shall be payable to Landlord on demand and Tenant covenants to pay any such sums, and Landlord shall have (in addition to any other right or remedy of Landlord) the same rights and remedies in the event of the nonpayment thereof by Tenant as in the case of default by Tenant in the payment of the rent.

(o) <u>Access, Changes in Project, Facilities, Name</u>.

- (i) Every part of the Project except the inside surfaces of all walls, windows and doors bounding the Premises (including exterior building walls, the rooftop, core corridor walls and doors and any core corridor entrance), and any space in or adjacent to the Premises or within the Project used for shafts, stacks, pipes, conduits, fan rooms, ducts, electric or other utilities, sinks or other building facilities, and the use thereof, as well as access thereto through the Premises for the purposes of operation, maintenance, decoration and repair, are reserved to Landlord.
- (ii) Tenant shall permit Landlord to install, use and maintain pipes, ducts and conduits within the walls, columns and ceilings of the Premises and throughout the Project.
- (iii) Landlord reserves the right, without incurring any liability to Tenant therefor, to make such changes in or to the Project and the fixtures and equipment thereof, as well as in or to the street entrances, halls, passages, elevators, stairways and other improvements thereof, as it may deem necessary or desirable.
- (iv) Landlord may adopt any name for the Project and Landlord reserves the right, from time to time, to change the name and/or address of the Project.
- (p) <u>Signing Authority</u>. Each individual executing this Lease on behalf of Tenant represents and warrants that he or she is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Lease on behalf of Tenant in accordance with a duly adopted resolution of the Board of Directors of said corporation or in accordance with the By-laws of said corporation and that this Lease is binding upon said entity in accordance with its terms. Tenant agrees to cause this Lease to be executed by (1) either the Chairman of the Board, President, or any Vice President of Tenant and (2) either the Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Assistant Treasurer or Chief Financial Officer of Tenant.

(q) <u>Identification of Tenant</u>.

- (i) If Tenant constitutes more than one person or entity, (A) each of them shall be jointly and severally liable for the keeping, observing and performing of all of the terms, covenants, conditions and provisions of this Lease to be kept, observed and performed by Tenant, (B) the term "Tenant" as used in this Lease shall mean and include each of them jointly and severally, and (C) the act of or notice from, or notice or refund to, or the signature of, any one or more of them, with respect to the tenancy of this Lease, including, but not limited to, any renewal, extension, expiration, termination or modification of this Lease, shall be binding upon each and all of the persons or entities executing this Lease as Tenant with the same force and effect as if each and all of them had so acted or so given or received such notice or refund or so signed.
- (ii) If Tenant is a partnership (or is comprised of two or more persons, individually and as co-partners of a partnership) or if Tenant's interest in this Lease shall be assigned to a partnership (or to two or more persons, individually and as co-partners of a partnership) pursuant to Article 15 hereof (any such partnership and such persons hereinafter referred to in this Article 30(q)(ii) as "Partnership Tenant"), the following provisions of this Lease shall apply to such Partnership Tenant:
- (A) The liability of each of the parties comprising Partnership Tenant shall be joint and several.
- (B) Each of the parties comprising Partnership Tenant hereby consents in advance to, and agrees to be bound by, any written instrument which may hereafter be executed, changing, modifying or discharging this Lease, in whole or in part, or surrendering all or any part of the Premises to the Landlord, and by notices, demands, requests or other communication which may hereafter be given, by the individual or individuals authorized to execute this Lease on behalf of Partnership Tenant under Subparagraph (p) above.
- (C) Any bills, statements, notices, demands, requests or other communications given or rendered to Partnership Tenant or to any of the parties comprising Partnership Tenant shall be deemed given or rendered to Partnership Tenant and to all such parties and shall be binding upon Partnership Tenant and all such parties.
- (D) If Partnership Tenant admits new partners, all of such new partners shall, by their admission to Partnership Tenant, be deemed to have assumed performance of all of the terms, covenants and conditions of this Lease on Tenant's part to be observed and performed.
- (E) Partnership Tenant shall give prompt notice to Landlord of the admission of any such new partners, and, upon demand of Landlord, shall cause each such new partner to execute and deliver to Landlord an agreement in form satisfactory to Landlord, wherein each such new partner shall assume performance of all of the terms, covenants and conditions of this Lease on Partnership Tenant's part to be observed and performed (but neither Landlord's failure to request any such agreement nor the failure of any such new partner to execute or deliver any such agreement to Landlord shall terminate the provisions of clause (D) of this Article 30(q)(ii) or relieve any such new partner of its obligations thereunder).

(r) Substitute Premises. Intentionally omitted

- (s) <u>Survival of Obligations</u>. Any obligations of Tenant occurring prior to the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease shall survive such expiration or earlier termination. Such obligations of Landlord which expressly survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease.
- (t) <u>Confidentiality</u>. Tenant acknowledges that the content of this Lease and any related documents are confidential information. Tenant shall keep such confidential information strictly confidential and shall not disclose such confidential information to any person or entity other than Tenant's financial, legal and space planning consultants and any proposed Transferees.

- (u) Governing Law. This Lease shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California. No conflicts of law rules of any state or country (including, without limitation, California conflicts of law rules) shall be applied to result in the application of any substantive or procedural laws of any state or country other than California. All controversies, claims, actions or causes of action arising between the parties hereto and/or their respective successors and assigns, shall be brought, heard and adjudicated by the courts of the State of California, with venue in the County in which the Project is located. Each of the parties hereto hereby consents to personal jurisdiction by the courts of the State of California in connection with any such controversy, claim, action or cause of action, and each of the parties hereto consents to service of process by any means authorized by California law and consent to the enforcement of any judgment so obtained in the courts of the State of California on the same terms and conditions as if such controversy, claim, action or cause of action had been originally heard and adjudicated to a final judgment in such courts. Each of the parties hereto further acknowledges that the laws and courts of California were freely and voluntarily chosen to govern this Lease and to adjudicate any claims or disputes hereunder.
 - (v) Exhibits. The Exhibits attached hereto are incorporated herein by this reference as if fully set forth herein.
- (w) <u>Independent Covenants</u>. This Lease shall be construed as though the covenants herein between Landlord and Tenant are independent (and not dependent) and Tenant hereby expressly waives the benefit of any statute to the contrary and agrees that if Landlord fails to perform its obligations set forth herein, Tenant shall not be entitled to make any repairs or perform any acts hereunder at Landlord's expense or to set off of any of the rent or other amounts owing hereunder against Landlord.
- (x) <u>Counterparts</u>. This Lease may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but such counterparts, when taken together, shall constitute one agreement.
- (y) <u>Financial Statements</u>. Within ten (10) days after Tenant's receipt of Landlord's written request, but only in connection with Landlord's financing, refinancing or sale of the Project or upon Landlord's lender's request or in connection with any amendment to this Lease, Tenant shall provide Landlord with current financial statements of Tenant and financial statements for the two (2) calendar or fiscal years (if Tenant's fiscal year is other than a calendar year) prior to the current financial statement year. Any such statements shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and, if the normal practice of Tenant, shall be audited by an independent certified public accountant. Landlord agrees to keep Tenant's financial information strictly confidential and not disclose such information to persons other than its financial or legal consultants, and its prospective purchasers or lenders of the Project or as otherwise required by law.
- (z) Office of Foreign Assets Control. Tenant certifies to Landlord that Tenant is not entering into this Lease, nor acting, for or on behalf of any person or entity named as a terrorist or other banned or blocked person or entity pursuant to any law, order, rule or regulation of the United States Treasury Department or the Office of Foreign Assets Control. Tenant hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Landlord and the Landlord Parties harmless from any and all Claims arising from or related to any breach of the foregoing certification.
- (aa) <u>Access</u>. Subject to the terms of this Lease, Tenant shall have access to the Premises, Project and parking facilities serving the Project twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week.

ARTICLE 31

SIGNAGE/DIRECTORY

Landlord, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, shall provide Tenant with (i) a Project standard number of lines in the lobby directory during the Term, and (ii) Project standard suite entrance signage. Such entry signage shall be subject to Landlord's approval as to size, design, location, graphics, materials, colors and similar specifications and shall be consistent with the exterior design, materials and appearance of the Project and the Project's signage program. Upon the expiration or

earlier termination of this Lease, Tenant shall, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, remove such suite entrance signage a repair any damage caused thereby.

ARTICLE 32

OPTION TO RENEW

- (a) Option Right. Landlord hereby grants the Tenant named in this Lease ("Original Tenant") one (1) option (the "Option") to extend the Term for a period of three (3) years (the "Option Term"), which Option shall be exercisable only by written notice delivered by Tenant to Landlord as set forth below. The rights contained in this Article 31 shall be personal to the Original Tenant and may only be exercised by the Original Tenant (and not any assignee, sublessee or other transferee of the Original Tenant's interest in this Lease) if the Original Tenant occupies the entire Premises as of the date of Tenant's Acceptance (as defined in Section 31(c) below).
- Option Rent. The rent payable by Tenant during the Option Term ("Option Rent") shall be equal to the "Market Rent" (defined below), but in no event shall the Option Rent be less than Tenant is paying under the Lease on the month immediately preceding the Option Term for Monthly Basic Rental, including all escalations, Direct Costs, additional rent and other charges. "Market Rent" shall mean the applicable Monthly Basic Rental, including all escalations, Direct Costs, additional rent and other charges at which tenants, as of the commencement of the Option Term, are leasing non-renewal, non-sublease, non-equity space comparable in size, location and quality to the Premises for a term comparable to the Option Term, which comparable space is located in the Project and if no such space is located in the Project, then in office buildings comparable to the Project in Camarillo, California, taking into consideration the value of the existing improvements in the Premises to Tenant, as compared to the value of the existing improvements in such comparable space, with such value to be based upon the age, quality and layout of the improvements and the extent to which the same could be utilized by Tenant.
- Exercise of Option. The Option shall be exercised by Tenant only in the following manner: (i) Tenant shall not be in default, and shall not have been in default under this Lease more than once, on the delivery date of the Interest Notice and Tenant's Acceptance; (ii) Tenant shall deliver written notice ("Interest Notice") to Landlord not more than ten (10) months nor less than nine (9) months prior to the expiration of the Lease Term, stating that Tenant is interested in exercising the Option, (iii) within fifteen (15) business days of Landlord's receipt of Tenant's written notice, Landlord shall deliver notice ("Option Rent Notice") to Tenant setting forth the Option Rent; and (iv) if Tenant desires to exercise such Option, Tenant shall provide Landlord written notice within five (5) business days after receipt of the Option Rent Notice ("Tenant's Acceptance") and upon, and concurrent with such exercise, Tenant may, at its option, object to the Option Rent contained in the Option Rent Notice. Tenant's failure to deliver the Interest Notice or Tenant's Acceptance on or before the dates specified above shall be deemed to constitute Tenant's election not to exercise the Option. If Tenant timely and properly exercises its Option, the Lease Term shall be extended for the Option Term upon all of the terms and conditions set forth in this Lease, except that the rent for the Option Term shall be as indicated in the Option Rent Notice, unless Tenant, concurrently with Tenant's acceptance, objects to the Option Rent contained in the Option Rent Notice, in which case the parties shall follow the procedure and the Option Rent shall be determined, as set forth in Section 31(d) below.
- (d) <u>Determination of Market Rent.</u> If Tenant timely and appropriately objects to the Market Rent in Tenant's Acceptance, Landlord and Tenant shall attempt to agree upon the Market Rent using their best good-faith efforts. If Landlord and Tenant fail to reach agreement within twenty-one (21) days following Tenant's Acceptance ("Outside Agreement Date"), then each party shall make a separate determination of the Market Rent which shall be submitted to each other and to arbitration in accordance with the following items (i) through (vii):
- (i) Landlord and Tenant shall each appoint, within ten (10) days of the Outside Agreement Date, one arbitrator who shall by profession be a current real estate broker or appraiser of commercial office properties in the immediate vicinity of the Project, and who has been active in such field over the last five (5) years. The determination of the arbitrators shall be limited solely to the issue of whether Landlord's or Tenant's submitted Market Rent is the closest to the actual Market Rent as determined by the arbitrators, taking into account the requirements of item (b), above.

	The two (2) arbitrators so appointed shall within five (5) business days of the date of the pointed arbitrator agree upon and appoint a third arbitrator who shall be qualified under the same over for qualification of the initial two (2) arbitrators.				
(iii) reach a decision as to whe Tenant thereof.	The three (3) arbitrators shall within fifteen (15) days of the appointment of the third arbitrator ther the parties shall use Landlord's or Tenant's submitted Market Rent, and shall notify Landlord and				
(iv)	The decision of the majority of the three (3) arbitrators shall be binding upon Landlord and Tenant.				
_	If either Landlord or Tenant fails to appoint an arbitrator within ten (10) days after the applicable the arbitrator appointed by one of them shall reach a decision, notify Landlord and Tenant thereof, ion shall be binding upon Landlord and Tenant.				
	If the two arbitrators fail to agree upon and appoint a third arbitrator, or both parties fail to appoint ointment of the third arbitrator or any arbitrator shall be dismissed and the matter to be decided shall arbitration under the provisions of the American Arbitration Association, but subject to the instruction				
(vii)	The cost of arbitration shall be paid by Landlord and Tenant equally.				
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Lease, consisting of the foregoing provisions and Articles, including all exhibits and other attachments referenced therein, as of the date first above written. "LANDLORD": CAMARILLO OFFICE PARTNERS I, LLC, a California limited liability company					
	By:				
	Name: Its:				
"TENANT":	AURIGA LABORATORIES INC., a Delaware corporation				
	By:				
	By: Print Name:				
	Print Name:				
	Print Name: Title:				
	Print Name: Title: By:				

EXHIBIT "A"

PREMISES

EXHIBIT "B"

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1. No sign, advertisement or notice shall be displayed, printed or affixed on or to the Premises or to the outside or inside of the Project or so as to be visible from outside the Premises or Project without Landlord's prior written consent. Landlord shall have the right to remove any non-approved sign, advertisement or notice, without notice to and at the expense of Tenant, and Landlord shall not be liable in damages for such removal. All approved signs or lettering on doors and walls shall be printed, painted, affixed or inscribed at the expense of Tenant by Landlord or by a person selected by Landlord and in a manner and style acceptable to Landlord.
- 2. Tenant shall not obtain for use on the Premises ice, waxing, cleaning, interior glass polishing, rubbish removal, towel or other similar services, or accept barbering or bootblackening, or coffee cart services, milk, soft drinks or other like services on the Premises, except from persons authorized by Landlord and at the hours and under regulations fixed by Landlord. No vending machines or machines of any description shall be installed, maintained or operated upon the Premises without Landlord's prior written consent.
- 3. The sidewalks, halls, passages, exits, entrances, elevators and stairways shall not be obstructed by Tenant or used for any purpose other than for ingress and egress from Tenant's Premises. Under no circumstances is trash to be stored in the corridors. Notice must be given to Landlord for any large deliveries. Furniture, freight and other large or heavy articles, and all other deliveries may be brought into the Project only at times and in the manner designated by Landlord, and always at Tenant's sole responsibility and risk. Landlord may impose reasonable charges for use of freight elevators after or before normal business hours. All damage done to the Project by moving or maintaining such furniture, freight or articles shall be repaired by Landlord at Tenant's expense. Tenant shall not take or permit to be taken in or out of entrances or passenger elevators of the Project, any item normally taken, or which Landlord otherwise reasonably requires to be taken, in or out through service doors or on freight elevators. Tenant shall move all supplies, furniture and equipment as soon as received directly to the Premises, and shall move all waste that is at any time being taken from the Premises directly to the areas designated for disposal.
- 4. Toilet rooms, toilets, urinals, wash bowls and other apparatus shall not be used for any purpose other than for which they were constructed and no foreign substance of any kind whatsoever shall be thrown therein.
- 5. Tenant shall not overload the floor of the Premises or mark, drive nails, screw or drill into the partitions, ceilings or floor or in any way deface the Premises. Tenant shall not place typed, handwritten or computer generated signs in the corridors or any other common areas. Should there be a need for signage additional to the Project standard tenant placard, a written request shall be made to Landlord to obtain approval prior to any installation. All costs for said signage shall be Tenant's responsibility.
- 6. In no event shall Tenant place a load upon any floor of the Premises or portion of any such flooring exceeding the floor load per square foot of area for which such floor is designed to carry and which is allowed by law, or any machinery or equipment which shall cause excessive vibration to the Premises or noticeable vibration to any other part of the Project. Prior to bringing any heavy safes, vaults, large computers or similarly heavy equipment into the Project, Tenant shall inform Landlord in writing of the dimensions and weights thereof and shall obtain Landlord's consent thereto. Such consent shall not constitute a representation or warranty by Landlord that the safe, vault or other equipment complies, with regard to distribution of weight and/or vibration, with the provisions of this Rule 6 nor relieve Tenant from responsibility for the consequences of such noncompliance, and any such safe, vault or other equipment which Landlord determines to constitute a danger of damage to the Project or a nuisance to other tenants, either alone or in combination with other heavy and/or vibrating objects and equipment,

shall be promptly removed by Tenant, at Tenant's cost, upon Landlord's written notice of such determination and demand for removal thereof.

- 7. Tenant shall not use or keep in the Premises or Project any kerosene, gasoline or inflammable, explosive or combustible fluid or material, or use any method of heating or air-conditioning other than that supplied by Landlord.
- 8. Tenant shall not lay linoleum, tile, carpet or other similar floor covering so that the same shall be affixed to the floor of the Premises in any manner except as approved by Landlord.
- 9. Tenant shall not install or use any blinds, shades, awnings or screens in connection with any window or door of the Premises and shall not use any drape or window covering facing any exterior glass surface other than the standard drapes, blinds or other window covering established by Landlord.
- 10. Tenant shall cooperate with Landlord in obtaining maximum effectiveness of the cooling system by closing window coverings when the sun's rays fall directly on windows of the Premises. Tenant shall not obstruct, alter, or in any way impair the efficient operation of Landlord's heating, ventilating and air-conditioning system. Tenant shall not tamper with or change the setting of any thermostats or control valves.
- 11. The Premises shall not be used for manufacturing or for the storage of merchandise except as such storage may be incidental to the permitted use of the Premises. Tenant shall not, without Landlord's prior written consent, occupy or permit any portion of the Premises to be occupied or used for the manufacture or sale of liquor or tobacco in any form, or a barber or manicure shop, or as an employment bureau. The Premises shall not be used for lodging or sleeping or for any improper, objectionable or immoral purpose. No auction shall be conducted on the Premises.
- 12. Tenant shall not make, or permit to be made, any unseemly or disturbing noises, or disturb or interfere with occupants of Project or neighboring buildings or premises or those having business with it by the use of any musical instrument, radio, phonographs or unusual noise, or in any other way.
- 13. No bicycles, vehicles or animals of any kind shall be brought into or kept in or about the Premises, and no cooking shall be done or permitted by any tenant in the Premises, except that the preparation of coffee, tea, hot chocolate and similar items for tenants, their employees and visitors shall be permitted. No tenant shall cause or permit any unusual or objectionable odors to be produced in or permeate from or throughout the Premises. The foregoing notwithstanding, Tenant shall have the right to use a microwave and to heat microwavable items typically heated in an office. No hot plates, toasters, toaster ovens or similar open element cooking apparatus shall be permitted in the Premises.
- 14. The sashes, sash doors, skylights, windows and doors that reflect or admit light and air into the halls, passageways or other public places in the Project shall not be covered or obstructed by any tenant, nor shall any bottles, parcels or other articles be placed on the window sills.
- No additional locks or bolts of any kind shall be placed upon any of the doors or windows by any tenant, nor shall any changes be made in existing locks or the mechanisms thereof unless Landlord is first notified thereof, gives written approval, and is furnished a key therefor. Each tenant must, upon the termination of his tenancy, give to Landlord all keys and key cards of stores, offices, or toilets or toilet rooms, either furnished to, or otherwise procured by, such tenant, and in the event of the loss of any keys so furnished, such tenant shall pay Landlord the cost of replacing the same or of changing the lock or locks opened by such lost key if Landlord shall deem it necessary to make such change. If more than two keys for one lock are desired, Landlord will provide them upon payment therefor by Tenant. Tenant shall not key or re-key any locks. All locks shall be keyed by Landlord's locksmith only.
- 16. Landlord shall have the right to prohibit any advertising by any tenant which, in Landlord's opinion, tends to impair the reputation of the Project or its desirability as an office building and upon written notice from Landlord any tenant shall refrain from and discontinue such advertising.

- 17. Landlord reserves the right to control access to the Project by all persons after reasonable hours of generally recognized business days and at all hours on Sundays and legal holidays and may at all times control access to the equipment areas of the Project outside the Premises. Each tenant shall be responsible for all persons for whom it requests after hours access and shall be liable to Landlord for all acts of such persons. Landlord shall have the right from time to time to establish reasonable rules and charges pertaining to freight elevator usage, including the allocation and reservation of such usage for tenants' initial move-in to their premises, and final departure therefrom. Landlord may also establish from time to time reasonable rules and charges for accessing the equipment areas of the Project, including the risers, rooftops and telephone closets.
- 18. Any person employed by any tenant to do janitorial work shall, while in the Project and outside of the Premises, be subject to and under the control and direction of the Office of the Project or its designated representative such as security personnel (but not as an agent or servant of Landlord, and the Tenant shall be responsible for all acts of such persons).
- 19. All doors opening on to public corridors shall be kept closed, except when being used for ingress and egress. Tenant shall cooperate and comply with any reasonable safety or security programs, including fire drills and air raid drills, and the appointment of "fire wardens" developed by Landlord for the Project, or required by law. Before leaving the Premises unattended, Tenant shall close and securely lock all doors or other means of entry to the Premises and shut off all lights and water faucets in the Premises.
 - 20. The requirements of tenants will be attended to only upon application to the Office of the Project.
- 21. Canvassing, soliciting and peddling in the Project are prohibited and each tenant shall cooperate to prevent the same.
- 22. All office equipment of any electrical or mechanical nature shall be placed by tenants in the Premises in settings approved by Landlord, to absorb or prevent any vibration, noise or annoyance.
- 23. No air-conditioning unit or other similar apparatus shall be installed or used by any tenant without the prior written consent of Landlord. Tenant shall pay the cost of all electricity used for air-conditioning in the Premises if such electrical consumption exceeds normal office requirements, regardless of whether additional apparatus is installed pursuant to the preceding sentence.
- 24. There shall not be used in any space, or in the public halls of the Project, either by any tenant or others, any hand trucks except those equipped with rubber tires and side guards.
- All electrical ceiling fixtures hung in offices or spaces along the perimeter of the Project must be fluorescent and/or of a quality, type, design and bulb color approved by Landlord. Tenant shall not permit the consumption in the Premises of more than 2½ watts per net usable square foot in the Premises in respect of office lighting nor shall Tenant permit the consumption in the Premises of more than 1½ watts per net usable square foot of space in the Premises in respect of the power outlets therein, at any one time. In the event that such limits are exceeded, Landlord shall have the right to require Tenant to remove lighting fixtures and equipment and/or to charge Tenant for the cost of the additional electricity consumed.

26. Parking.

- (a) Project parking facility hours shall be 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and closed on weekends, state and federal holidays excepted, as such hours may be revised from time to time by Landlord.
 - (b) Automobiles must be parked entirely within the stall lines on the floor.
 - (c) All directional signs and arrows must be observed.
 - (d) The speed limit shall be 5 miles per hour.
 - (e) Parking is prohibited in areas not striped for parking.
- (f) Parking cards or any other device or form of identification supplied by Landlord (or its operator) shall remain the property of Landlord (or its operator). Such parking identification device must be displayed as requested and may not be mutilated in any manner. The serial number of the parking identification device may not be obliterated. Devices

are not transferable or assignable and any device in the possession of an unauthorized holder will be void. There will be a replacement charge to the Tenant or person designated by Tenant of \$25.00 for loss of any parking card. There shall be a security deposit of \$25.00 due at issuance for each card key issued to Tenant.

- (g) intentionally omitted
- (h) Tenant may validate visitor parking by such method or methods as the Landlord may approve, at the validation rate from time to time generally applicable to visitor parking.
- (i) Landlord (and its operator) may refuse to permit any person who violates the within rules to park in the Project parking facility, and any violation of the rules shall subject the automobile to removal from the Project parking facility at the parker's expense. In either of said events, Landlord (or its operator) shall refund a prorata portion of the current monthly parking rate and the sticker or any other form of identification supplied by Landlord (or its operator) will be returned to Landlord (or its operator).
- (j) Project parking facility managers or attendants are not authorized to make or allow any exceptions to these Rules and Regulations.
- (k) All responsibility for any loss or damage to automobiles or any personal property therein is assumed by the parker.
- (l) Loss or theft of parking identification devices from automobiles must be reported to the Project parking facility manager immediately, and a lost or stolen report must be filed by the parker at that time.
- (m) The parking facilities are for the sole purpose of parking one automobile per space. Washing, waxing, cleaning or servicing of any vehicles by the parker or his agents is prohibited.
- (n) Landlord (and its operator) reserves the right to refuse the issuance of monthly stickers or other parking identification devices to any Tenant and/or its employees who refuse to comply with the above Rules and Regulations and all City, State or Federal ordinances, laws or agreements.
 - (o) Tenant agrees to acquaint all employees with these Rules and Regulations.
 - (p) No vehicle shall be stored in the Project parking facility for a period of more than one (1) week.
- 27. The Project is a non-smoking Project. Smoking or carrying lighted cigars or cigarettes in the Premises or the Project, including the elevators in the Project, is prohibited.
- 28. Tenant shall not, without Landlord's prior written consent (which consent may be granted or withheld in Landlord's absolute discretion), allow any employee or agent to carry any type of gun or other firearm in or about any of the Premises, Project or Development.

EXHIBIT "C"

NOTICE OF LEASE TERM DATES

AND TENANT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE

TO:	DATE:
RE:	Lease dated,("Landlord"),("Tenant"), concerning Suite, located at 200, between and
Ladies	and Gentlemen:
	In accordance with the Lease, Landlord wishes to advise and/or confirm the following:
accorda	1. That the Premises have been accepted herewith by the Tenant as being substantially complete is ance with the Lease and that there is no deficiency in construction.
the Lea	2. That the Tenant has taken possession of the Premises and acknowledges that under the provisions of use the Term of said Lease shall commence as of for a term of ending of
	3. That in accordance with the Lease, Basic Rental commenced to accrue of
contain said Le	4. If the Commencement Date of the Lease is other than the first day of the month, the first billing with a prorata adjustment. Each billing thereafter shall be for the full amount of the monthly installment as provided for its ase.
of sa	5. Rent is due and payable in advance on the first day of each and every month during the Terraid Lease. Your rent checks should be made payable to
	6. The exact number of rentable square feet within the Premises is square feet.
the Pre	7. Tenant's Proportionate Share, as adjusted based upon the exact number of rentable square feet within mises is%.
AGRE	ED AND ACCEPTED:
TENA	NT:

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Ву:		
Its:		

Exhibit 99.1

AURIGA LABORATORIES, INC. SECURES \$2.5 MILLION FUNDING COMMITMENT

LOS ANGELES, CA: December 19, 2007- Auriga Laboratories, Inc. (OTCBB: ARGA), a specialty pharmaceutical of 2.5 million company, announced today the signing a dollar Investment Agreement with Dutchess Private Equities Fund Ltd. to provide long-term expansion capital to the Company.

Philip S. Pesin, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Auriga, stated, "Dutchess has many years of experience assisting companies like Auriga in all facets of their long-term strategy by providing capital and progressive business solutions. Since 1996, Dutchess has transacted in excess of \$1 billion in financing for publicly-traded companies. The Investment Agreement with Dutchess will give Auriga the ability to internally finance growth and take advantage of anticipated future product launches. The Investment Agreement, in the form of an Equity Credit Line, provides for Auriga to have the right to require Dutchess to purchase up to \$2.5 million of the company's common stock at a seven percent discount to market over the course of 36 months after a registration statement has been declared effective by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. The company plans to file a Registration Statement within 15 days."

About Auriga Laboratories(TM)

Auriga Laboratories is a specialty pharmaceutical company building an industry changing commission based-sales model. The company's high-growth business model combines driving revenues through a variable cost commission-based sales structure, acquisition of proven brand names, introduction of new brands, and a strategic development pipeline, all of which designed to enhance its growing direct relationships with physicians nationwide. Auriga's exclusive prescription and overthe-counter product portfolio includes AquoralTM for the treatment of Xerostomia, AkurzaTM, XyralidTM, ZytopicTM, and CorazTM dermatology products, and the ZinxTM product line for relief of symptoms associated with the common cold. For more information, visit: www.aurigalabs.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

The information contained herein includes forward-looking statements. These statements relate to future events or to the company's future financial performance, and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause its actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. You should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements since they involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which are, in some cases, beyond the company's control and which could, and likely will, materially affect actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. Any forward-looking statement reflects the company's current views with respect to future events and is subject to these and other risks, uncertainties and assumptions relating to its operations, results of operations, growth strategy and liquidity. The company assumes no obligation to publicly update or revise these forward-looking statements for any reason, or to update the reasons actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements, even if new information becomes available in the future. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the company's expectations include, but are not limited to, those factors that are disclosed under the heading "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in documents filed by the company from time to time with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and other regulatory authorities. Statements regarding the company's ability to increase its sales force and the success of such sales force in selling its products in light of competitive and other factors, the regulatory status and/or regulatory compliance of its products, the development of additional products, its ability to sustain market acceptance for its products, its dependence on collaborators, the company's

exposure to product liability claims, and the company's prices, future revenues and income and cash flows and other statements that are not historical facts contain predictions, estimates and other forward-looking statements. Although the company believes that its expectations are based on reasonable assumptions, it can give no assurance that its goals will be achieved and these statements will prove to be accurate. Important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those included in the forward-looking statements.

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